



FILL US ALL WITH

Peace

2nd Sunday of Advent

December 6, 2020



**Readings for next week, December 13, 2020
3rd Sunday of Advent**



1st Lesson: Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11
Psalm: 126
Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28

Announcements

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. All flesh shall see the salvation of God (*Luke 3.4,6*)

Advent Wreath Candle Lighting

The Second Candle
(The Candle of the Peace or the Way)

Last Sunday, we lit the candle of HOPE. Let us light it again as a symbol of our desire for healing and wholeness for our world.

(Light first candle)

Our hope is in the coming of Jesus Christ and His WAY of PEACE.

The second candle shows that Christ is the Way. We are lost in sin and Christ is the Light sent into the world to show us the way out of darkness. *“Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me....Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.’” (John 14: 6, 27)*

(Light Second candle)

We light this candle to remind us that Jesus is the Prince of PEACE. His life has shown us ways to share God’s PEACE with others.

Let us join together in prayer for PEACE for ourselves and our world using the words of the international Peace Prayer:

Congregation:

***Lead me from death to life,
from falsehood to truth.
Lead me from despair to hope,
from fear to trust.
Lead me from hate to love,
from war to peace.
Let peace fill our hearts,
Our world, and our universe. Amen.***

Opening Hymn, (CP #89) 'O Come, O Come, Emmanuel'

Oh come oh come Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear

**Rejoice, Rejoice Emmanuel
Shall come to Thee oh Israel**

Oh come thou rod of Jesse
Free Thine own from Satan's tyranny
From depths of hell Thy people save
And give them victory over the grave

Refrain

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of
God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with
you all.

All And also with you.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who sent your servant John the Baptist to
prepare your people to welcome the Messiah, inspire us, the
ministers and stewards of your truth, to turn our disobedient
hearts to you, that when the Christ shall come again to be our
judge, we may stand with confidence before his glory; who is
alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and
for ever. **Amen.**

Proclamation of the Word

A reading from the book of Isaiah (40:1-11)

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people

All Thanks be to God

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

- 1 You have been gracious to your land, O Lord, * you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.
- 2 You have forgiven the iniquity of your people * and blotted out all their sins.
- 8 I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, * for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, * that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together; * righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, * and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, * and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, * and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

A reading from the 2nd letter of Peter (3:8-15a)

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All **Thanks be to God**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark
(1:1-8)

All **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

The Gospel of Christ

All **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**



Sermon - The Rev. Juli Mallett

The Apostles' Creed

Celebrant Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,
All **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator
of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our
Lord. He was conceived by the power of the
Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
died, and was buried. He descended to the
dead. On the third day he rose again. He
ascended into heaven, and is seated at the
right hand of the Father. He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic
Church, the communion of saints, the
forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the
body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
**All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on
earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily
bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those
who sin against us. Save us from the time of
trial, and deliver us from evil. For the
kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant Glory to God,
**All whose power, working in us, can do infinitely
more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to
God from generation to generation, in the
Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Dismissal

Celebrant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia.
All Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

Sending hymn, (CP #95) 'O Come Divine Messiah'

O come, divine Messiah
The world in silence waits the day
When hope shall sing its triumph and sadness flee away

**Dear Saviour, haste!
Come, come to earth
Dispel the night and show your face
And bid us hail the dawn of grace
O come, Divine Messiah
The world in silence waits the day
When hope shall sing its triumph and sadness flee away**

Go Now in Peace

**Go now in peace, never be afraid
God will go with you each hour of every day
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true
Know he will guide you in all you do
Go now in love and show you believe
Reach out to others so all the world can see
God will be there around us and above
Go now in peace, in faith and in love**

Weekly Cycles of Prayer

In our parish, we pray for Thomas Williams; Lorraine Worsley; Barry and Kay Wyckham; Rob Wylie; Sharon Adye.

In our community, we pray for all who worship at the Church of Latter-Day Saints, Sidney.

In our Diocese, we pray for the administrative leadership of The Very Rev. M. Ansley Tucker, and our brothers and sisters in Christ of the parish of St. Mary, Nanoose Bay, The Rev. Selinde Krayenhoff.

We pray for all postulants, especially Jill Harris.

In our Ecclesiastical Province, we pray for the Territory of the People Anglican Church, Bishop Lincoln McKoen.

In the world, we pray for The Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain (Extra-Provincial to the Archbishop of Canterbury), The Rt. Rev. Carlos Lopez-Lozano, Bishop of Spanish Reformed Episcopal Church.

Acknowledgement - As we gather we recognize that we live, work and play on the traditional lands of the Coast Salish Peoples. We also join in a line of Anglicans who have worshipped on these lands. As we continue we commit ourselves as a settler church and people to continue with our First Nations neighbours on the journey of truth and reconciliation.

***** This Week at a Glance *****
(December 6 – December 13, 2020)

Sunday **December 6, 2020 - 2nd Sunday of Advent**
NO In-person service until further notice
ON-LINE SERVICE
www.standrewssidney.ca

Monday - Tuesday All Events CANCELLED until further notice
Wednesday **NO Weekly Eucharist service until further notice**
2:00 p.m. Weekly Zoom Prayer Gathering

Thursday - Saturday All Events CANCELLED until further notice

Sunday **December 13, 2020 - 3rd Sunday of Advent**
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Looking Forward

- ***It is unknown at this time whether the services will be in-person or only recorded and on-line***

December 20 Nine Lessons & Carols, 10:00 am

December 24 **Christmas Eve**

- Family / Children Christmas service, 5:30 pm

- Christmas Eucharist service, 7:30 pm

- Christmas Eucharist service, 9:30 pm

December 25 **Christmas Day**

- Book of Common Prayer, 9 am

- Book of Alternative Services, 11 am

Parish Announcement

THANK YOU - Thank you for the beautiful Altar flowers delivered to me last week. Whenever I look at them I think of my family at St. Andrew's. Vern Murison

- Thank you for the beautiful flowers. Joey Hopkins

CHURCH SERVICES - All services in the church are suspended until further notice, per Dr. Bonnie Henry's most recent Health Order. **Please check for On-line services. Look under 'On Line -> On Line Sunday Worship -> Blog, scroll to service.**

CHURCH OFFICE ACCEPTING OFFERINGS - Offerings can be dropped off at the church office Monday through Thursday from 9 to noon. Just ring the doorbell and someone will receive your offering while maintaining physical distancing.

Please consider **Pre-Authorized offerings** - forms are available on the webpage <https://www.standrewssidney.ca/pages/parish-documents> and in the office. You can choose the amount and how frequently your offering is automatically deducted from your account. Confidentiality assured.

If you are unable to drop off your offering at the office, please contact one of these people to arrange physical distanced offering pick-up at your home. (Janice Varga 250-656-4532 or 250-661-4033 / Marilyn Shade 250-656-0118 or 250-532-1099), or mail to the office (9691 Fourth Street, Sidney BC V8L 2Y8).

OUR PLACE NEWS - We ask for your continued prayers for the well-being of our family members and staff here at Our Place Society. We are starting to collect small items for Spiritual Care to give away on Christmas Day. We are hoping to collect a supply of full size chocolate bars (favorites are Kit Kat, Coffee Crisp, Mars bars, Snickers, Reese's peanut butter cups, 3 Musketeers, Nestle Crunch, O Henry bars) to give out on Christmas Day as a treat to family members who are in our drop in. If you would like to contribute to our stash for Christmas Day, please mark any bars you bring in for Spiritual Care and drop off at the St. Andrew's office as soon as possible, to allow time for delivery to Our Place. Thanks and many blessings.

2021 FLOWER CALENDAR - Please call Lois (250-891-6442) to request a particular date to donate Altar flowers in 2021.

STREET HOPE SHOEBOX HAMPERS - Shoeboxes are small gift hampers packed in a shoebox, each thoughtfully prepared for needy people in downtown Victoria. They are distributed by volunteers, from the Street Hope motor home.

The shoeboxes are a form of love and support for the folks who drop by the motor home for a cup of warm soup and a sandwich. They are a means of showing people that they are accepted and cared for, and importantly, they are a glimmer of the love God has given us for them. The shoeboxes go a long way in forming a relationship of trust, foundational to meaningful connections with the folks that drop by the motor home.

Shoeboxes also an opportunity for you to express your concern and care for people in need. If you would like to participate, fill a shoebox about $\frac{3}{4}$ full of non-perishable, easy-opening food and personal hygiene items. Then contact Street Hope and we'll pick it up, or if you can arrange to drop it off, that would be helpful too.

Suggestions for Shoebox Gift Hampers

- granola bars, cereal bars, protein bars
- small packs of peanuts, small packs of crackers with cheese
- small boxes of raisins, trail mix, fruit leather
- small cans of fruit, puddings
- chocolate bars, cookies · juice boxes
- plastic spoons, fork or knives as needed
- small packs of Kleenex, small note pad and pen
- socks, gloves, hats
- toiletries – small travel sizes of toothpaste, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, razors, lotions (please mark box male or female if applicable)
- small notes of encouragement

Please do not include any medicine.

Please secure the box with a rubber band.

***Filled shoeboxes can be dropped off at the office
(Mon-Fri, 9 am-12 noon).***

DEADLINE: December 9



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