

ANGLICAN PARISH OF WOODSTOCK
SAINT LUKE'S **CHRIST CHURCH**



4th Sunday of Advent

December 20, 2020



St. Luke's Church

Service of Holy Eucharist

recorded Sunday morning and available on
Facebook, YouTube & our Website in the evening.



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We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) and Mi'kmaq Peoples.

Welcome!

The service begins on page 185 BAS

The Gathering of the Community

Scripture Sentence: I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to his word. *Luke 1.38*

Hymn 89: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel vs. 1 & 5
(You may sing if you are wearing a mask.)

Lighting the Advent Wreath

Candle 4 – Love

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.

(Isaiah 9.2)

On this fourth Sunday of Advent, as we think about the coming of Jesus Christ, we light the candle of love.

(Candle is lit.)

How great is the love the Father has lavished on us! (1 John 3.1)

This is how God showed His love: He sent His one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him. (1 John 4.9)

A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. All will know that you are my disciples if you love one another. (John 13.34-35)

Hymn: Away in a Manger

(You may sing if you are wearing a mask.)

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask you to stay
Close by me forever and love me, I pray.
Bless all the dear children in your tender care,
And fit us for heaven to live with you there.

Collect together: Heavenly Father, who chose the Virgin Mary, full of grace to be the mother of our Lord and Saviour, now fill us with your grace, that we in all things may embrace your will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

1st Reading: 2 Samuel 7: 1-11,16 *God's Covenant with David*

Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26

p. 823

2nd Reading: Romans 16: 25-27 *Final Doxology*

Parish Mission Statement: *Together:*

We are a worshipping Anglican Community, nourished by Liturgy, Scripture, Sacraments, Prayer, and Fellowship. We are guided by the Holy Spirit to care for God's creation, so that all may know the peace of Christ and the power of His Resurrection.

Gospel: Luke 1: 26-38 *The Birth of Jesus Foretold*

Sermon: *Let It Be with Me According to Your Word!*

Hymn 120: O Little Town of Bethlehem vs. 1

(You may sing if you are wearing a mask)

Reading Names for Memorial Christmas Tree

The list will be read in sections of about 25 names each, with the next verse of Hymn 120 sung after each section.

Prayers of the People: Litany #12 p.119.
Response: Lord Jesus, Come Soon!

Confession and Absolution p. 191

The Peace p. 192

Instrumental while altar is prepared.

Prayer Over the Gifts p. 272
(offering plates remain at the back of the nave)

Eucharist Prayer #2 p. 196

The Lord's Prayer p. 211

Breaking of Bread #5 p. 212

Invitation to Communion: You are invited to come forward up the center aisle, one person or one family bubble at a time. Please wear your mask, receive the bread, and step 6 feet away before removing your mask to consume the bread. Replace your mask and return to your pew down the side aisle. If for any reason you do not wish to receive communion, feel free to remain in your pew.

Prayer after Communion p. 272

Doxology p. 214

Parish Vision Statement: *Together:*

We will become a more caring community of believers who learn together, nurture and support each other, and reach out to the community at large with the love of Christ.

Blessing

Hymn 88: Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus Vs 1 & 4
(You may sing if you are wearing a mask!)

Dismissal

Officiant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Welcome: A hearty welcome to all worshipping with us today. Visitors are invited to sign our Guest Book at the back of the Church.

Special Prayers are requested for: Janet, Ernest, Mavis, Gordon, Ellen, Karla, Amanda, Jennifer, Randy, Colin, Liam, Sadie, Emma, Scottie, Kate, Gail, Tanya, Terry, Brad, Billy, Lorne, Kent, Doreen, Dick, Susanne, Wesley, Jim, Trevor, Lindsay, Lois, David, Carrie, Barry, Freda, Charles, Pat, Yvonne, Archbishop David's parents, Doreen & John.

Participating in Today's Service

Officiant: Rev. Shirley Noseworthy
Lay Reader: Cindy Graham
Usher: Dorine Dennique
Greeters: Richard Dennique & Marilyn Sherman
Organist: Sandra Culberson
Cantor: Emily Clark
Videographer: Armin Hackelsperger
Altar Guild: Janis Richard & Linda Porter

Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries!

Happy Birthday to Christopher Scott, Robert Kee, and to anyone else celebrating a birthday!

Happy Wedding Anniversary to anyone celebrating their special day!

May God grant His blessing on your special day. May He guide you and help you to know how loved you are. May He protect you in the year ahead, giving you peace and strength when you wake, and comfort and rest when you lay down to sleep. May your future be filled with hope. Amen.

Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Program

Thank you to the volunteers for Monday Dec. 21 – Jim Brown 10-12; Jill & Colin Craig, 12-2; Royce Brown 2-4; Pat & Blair Whitehouse 4-6; Shirley & Armin 6-8 at the Superstore. God bless you all for your faithful service!

Covid-19 Operational Plan – Yellow Phase

Expect screening, hand sanitizing, physical distancing. Wearing a mask is mandatory in indoor public places. You may sing while wearing a mask during the yellow phase. The officiant and the reader are not required to wear a mask while using the microphone if 4-meters distance from the congregation is maintained. Anyone who is high risk, including elderly and people with underlying health issues, are advised to remain at home for your safety and protection.

Memorial Christmas Tree Names read Dec. 20!

The names of departed loved ones will be read at the 10:30 am service this Sunday. A list of the names will be printed and available at the Dec. 20th service.

Pre-Register for Christmas Eve Services

We are following Covid-19 guidelines. Services on Thurs., Dec. 24, will be:

4:30 pm Family Eucharist at St. Luke's Church

6:30 pm Candlelight Eucharist at St. Luke's Church

8:30 pm Candlelight Eucharist at Christ Church

Seating capacity is limited, with physical distancing in place. Please pre-register for either service by phoning the office 328-4304 or the rector 328-9913.

Thank You!

A big thank you to everyone who baked cookies and delivered to seniors and shut-ins for Cookie Sunday. Cookies were a welcomed surprise and very much appreciated!

Offering Envelopes 2021

Offering Envelope boxes for 2021 are available to be picked up at the back of the church. If you would like someone to drop yours off, please let us know by phoning 328-4304!

Financial Report November 2020 2019

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| Year to Date Cash in | \$ 134,756.70 | \$ 177,622.28 |
| Year to Date Cash out | 143,920.56 | 215,237.68 |
| Year to Date Excess (Deficit) | <u>\$ (9,163.86)</u> | <u>\$ (37,615.40)</u> |

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| Cash Position at beginning of year | (9,253.01) | (1,477.45) |
| Add: 2020 YTD Excess (deficit) | <u>(9,163.86)</u> | <u>(37,615.40)</u> |
| Total Deficit at Nov 30, 2020 | (18,416.87) | (39,092.85) |
| Less Unpaid Bills | <u>(7,831.35)</u> | <u>(16,627.20)</u> |
| Cash Position at Nov 30, 2020 | <u>(10,585.52)</u> | <u>(22,465.65)</u> |

Annual Congregational Meeting

Our AGM for 2020 will be held on Sunday, Feb. 7, 2021. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, there will be no meal following the service. Instead, we will have a shortened service and move immediately into our AGM. All groups are asked to submit a report, however short it may be, by Jan 29th!

Bulletin Board

Sunday, Dec. 20 Fourth Sunday of Advent

10:30 am Holy Eucharist (BAS) & Names of loved ones read for Memorial Christmas Tree 2020.

Thursday, Dec. 24 Christmas Eve

- 4:30 pm Family Eucharist (BAS) St. Luke's
- 6:30 pm Candlelight Eucharist (BAS) St. Luke's
- 8:30 pm Candlelight Eucharist (BAS) Christ Church

Sunday, Dec. 27 First Sunday After Christmas

10:30 am Christmas Readings & Carols