

The Anglican Parish of St. Peter and St. Paul
December 15th 2019
Third Sunday of Advent
“Nourishing Faith and Community”



10:30 AM Eucharist - Book of Alternative Services



Assistive listening
devices available

Preludes: Prelude on Tallis' Canon - *Gordon Young*
Musette in G - *Georg Frideric Handel*

Opening Hymn: **CP 656 She Comes Sailing on the Wind**

Territorial Acknowledgement

Welcome and Opening Statement

Gathering of the Community

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Lighting of the Advent Candle

Reader: Abiding joy is found in the Lord

All: May God's joy in us, spread joy to the world.

Reader: The Lord is the source of all peace.

All: May God's peace be reflected in our lives.

Reader: Our hope is in the coming of the Lord.

All: May God's love shine in our hearts.

Reader: A summary reading from Micah. But you, Bethlehem, David's country, the runt of the litter—from you will come the leader who will shepherd-rule Israel. He'll be no upstart, no pretender. His family tree is ancient and distinguished. Meanwhile, Israel will be in foster homes until the birth pangs are over and the child is born, and the scattered brothers come back home to the family of Israel. He will stand tall in his shepherd-rule by God's strength, centered in the majesty of God-Revealed. And the people will have a good and safe home, for the whole world will hold him in respect—peacemaker of the world!

(All three candles are now lit.)

Reader: Let us pray.

**All: O God, fill us with everlasting joy as we await the coming of Christ.
Come Lord Jesus. Amen.**

Hope is a Star - Verses 1, 2 & 3 (We will add a verse each week)

1 Hope is a star that shines in the night,
 2 Peace is a rib - bon that cir - cles the earth,
 3 Joy is a song that wel - comes the dawn,
 4 Love is a flame that burns in our heart,

lead - ing us on till the morn - ing is bright.
 giv - ing a prom - ise of safe - ty and worth.
 tell - ing the world that the Sav - iour is born.
 Je - sus has come and will nev - er de - part.

Refrain

When God is a child there's joy in our song. The last shall be
 first and the weak shall be strong, and none shall be a - fraid.

Collect for Purity

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Gloria: (sung) CP 365 - Glory to God on High

The Collect of the Day:

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 Story of Faith is Proclaimed

1st Reading: Isaiah 7:10-16

Leatrice Lam

p. 554 Bible

Reader: Word of God. Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

(said responsively by full verse)

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Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

**In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh,
stir up your strength and come to help us.**

Restore us, O God of hosts;

show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

O Lord God of hosts,

how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?

You have fed them with the bread of tears;

you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

**You have made us the derision of our neighbours,
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**

Restore us, O God of hosts;

show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

**Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand,
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.**

And so will we never turn away from you;

give us life, that we may call upon your name.

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts;

show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved. Amen.

2nd Reading: Romans 1:1-7;

Sue Williams

p. 913 Bible

Reader: Word of God. Word of Life.

All: Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn: CP 631 **The Kingdom of God is Justice and Joy**

(v. 1-2 before gospel, v. 3-4 after)

Reader: The...

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 1:18-25;

p. 783 Bible

Reader: The Gospel of Jesus Christ

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Gail Rodger

The Apostles' Creed

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Prayers of the People

John Ducker

Confession & Words of Assurance

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The Peace

Offertory Hymn: CP 114 Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

Prayer over the Gifts:

Gracious God, by the power of the Spirit who sanctified the mother of your Son, make holy all we offer you this day. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

The Sacred Meal is Shared (*reserve sacrament*)

The table of bread and wine is now ready. It is the table of company with Jesus and all who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Christ became incarnate. So come to this table, you who have much faith, and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

The Lord's Prayer: (*sung*)

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Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God

The Communion

Chalice Administrants: Deacon Wally Eamer and John Ducker

Communion Hymn: CP 123 Once in Royal David's City

Prayer after Communion

Faithful God, in this sacrament we receive the promise of salvation.

May we, like the Virgin Mary, be obedient to your will.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Glory to God...

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Closing Hymn: **CP 128 The Virgin Mary had a Baby Boy**

1. The Virgin Mary had a baby boy,
The Virgin Mary had a baby boy,
The Virgin Mary had a baby boy,
And they said that his name was Jesus.

Refrain He come from the glory,
he come from the glorious kingdom.
He come from the glory,
he come from the glorious kingdom.
Oh, yes! believer. Oh, yes! believer.
He come from the glory,
he come from the glorious kingdom.

2. The angels sang when the baby was born,
The angels sang when the baby was born,
The angels sang when the baby was born,
And proclaim him the Saviour Jesus.

Refrain

3. The wise men saw where the baby was born,
The wise men saw where the baby was born,
The wise men saw where the baby was born,
And they say that his name was Jesus.

Refrain

Commissioning: Go...

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude: Tollite Hostias - *Camille Saint-Saens*

December 22nd Readings and Carols Service

*We thank those who prepared the sanctuary and
those who had roles in the worship service today.*

Weekly Cycles of Prayer

In our Anglican Communion, Pray for the Anglican Church in Nigeria and El Salvador
Linda Nicholls, our Primate, Mark MacDonald, the National Indigenous Archbishop,
Melissa Skelton our Metropolitan, Territory of the People Anglican Church - Bishop
Barbara Andrews.

In our Diocese, we pray for Logan, our Bishop. Ss. Anne & Edmund, Parksville &
Church of the Good Shepherd, Lasqueti Island - Andrew Twiddy & Christine Muise.

In our Region, we pray for Church of the Advent, Revs Sandra Hounsell-Drover and
Paul Schumaucher, in our parish we pray for Dale & Marge McIntosh, Ruby
McMahon, Darryl McMahon, Janet McDonald & Trudy Marginson.

In our community we pray for St John the Divine Food Bank.

We worship on the traditional lands of the Esquimalt, Songhees and other Nations of the Salish and Coast Salish Peoples. We, who came from many lands to join the line of Anglicans worshipping here, commit our Church to continue the journey of truth and reconciliation with our First Nations' neighbours.



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