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We are grateful for their stewardship of this land and their hospitality which allows us to live, work, and serve God the Creator here.

# The Second Sunday of Advent 8 DECEMBER 2019

Welcome Guests

Newcomers are encouraged to make themselves known to the clergy and to phone the parish office at 204.452.3609 should you wish to express any needs or concerns. Please complete a visitor leaflet or envelope with your email address if you would like to receive parish newsletters sent to you regularly.

#### 08:15 - SAID EUCHARIST

Service BAS 230 • Collect BAS 269 • Psalm 72.1–7, 18–19 Deus, judicium Subdeacon Linda Sherrett • Lectors Pat Earl, Paul Earl Sidesperson Pat Earl • Chalice Bearer Paul Earl

#### 10:30 - Sung Eucharist

Service Music Setting: John Merbecke (1510–1585)

#### **GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**VOLUNTARY** (Mr. Kinnard)

Seven Soft Voluntaries - Léon Boëllmann (1862-1987)

HYMN 392 Hark, a herald voice is sounding §stand

MERTON

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH Separate leaflet

GREETING

**Priest** + The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

Teople And with thy spirit.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

**Priest** Almighty God,

**People** unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

**Priest** Our Lord Jesus Christ said: hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

**People** Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

MERBECKE

All Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly king, God the Father almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

## For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### COLLECT OF THE DAY Second Sunday of Advent

Priest

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

#### FIRST LESSON Isaiah 11.1-10 §sit

**Lector** A Reading from the Book of Isaiah.

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. <sup>2</sup>The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. <sup>3</sup>His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; <sup>4</sup>but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. <sup>5</sup>Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around

his loins. <sup>6</sup>The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. <sup>7</sup>The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. <sup>8</sup>The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. <sup>9</sup>They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. <sup>10</sup>On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

y The Word of the Lord. R Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM** 72.1-7, 18-19 Deus, judicium

Chant: WILLIAM BOYCE (1711–1779)

Give the King thy judgements, O God \* and thy righteousness unto the King's son.

Then shall he judge thy people according unto right \* and defend the poor.

- 3 The mountains also shall bring peace \* and the little hills righteousness unto the people.
- 4 He shall keep the simple folk by their right \*

## defend the children of the poor, and punish the wrong-doer.

- 5 They shall fear thee, as long as the sun and moon endureth \* from one generation to another.
- 6 He shall come down like the rain into a fleece of wool \* even as the drops that water the earth.
- 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish \*

## yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.

- 18 Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel \* which only doeth wondrous things;
- 19 And blessed be the Name of his majesty for ever \*

and all the earth shall be filled with his majesty. Amen, Amen.

+Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, in now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

#### SECOND LESSON Romans 15.4-13

**Lector** A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

Por whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup>May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>so that together you may with one

voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. <sup>8</sup>For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, <sup>9</sup>and in

order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; <sup>10</sup>and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; <sup>11</sup>and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples

praise him"; <sup>12</sup>and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." <sup>13</sup>May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

ÿ The Word of the Lord. R Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN 391 On Jordan's bank stand

WINCHESTER NEW

GOSPEL St. Matthew 3.1–12 Sface the Gospel Gospeler The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

+++The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew. **Glory be to thee, O Lord.** 

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, <sup>2</sup>"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." <sup>3</sup>This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." <sup>4</sup>Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup>Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, <sup>6</sup>and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. <sup>7</sup>But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?

<sup>8</sup>Bear fruit worthy of repentance. <sup>9</sup>Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. <sup>10</sup>Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. <sup>11</sup>I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

↑ The Gospel of Christ. 
 ↑ Praise be to thee, O Christ.

HOMILY Ssit

NICENE CREED §stand

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the onlybegotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. + And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE §stand, sit, or kneel

#### **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

**Priest** Let us humbly confess our sins to almighty God.

People Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things and judge of all people: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word and deed, Against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Priest** Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: +have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

#### THE PEACE Sstand

**Priest** The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And with thy spirit.

## **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

OFFERTORY HYMN 153 There's a voice in the wilderness

Ascension

## OFFERTORY SENTENCE Sremain standing

**Priest** All things come of thee, O Lord.

People And of thine own have we given thee.

### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

**Priest** God our strength, we are nothing without you. Receive all we offer you this day as you sustain us with your mercy; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Eucharistic Prayer A - Proper Preface of Advent

**Priest** The Lord be with you.

**Teople** And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

**Priest** It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh and opened to us the way of salvation. Now we watch for the day when he will come again in power and great triumph to judge this world; that we, without shame or fear, may rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and saying:

All Holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

→ Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord:

Hosanna in the highest. Skneel or sit

**Priest** Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again. Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me." Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

## All We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.

And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.* 

#### LORD'S PRAYER

**Priest** And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

All We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art

the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

FRACTION ANTHEM Agnus Dei

ADRIAN BATTEN (1591–1637)

INVITATION

**Priest** The gifts of God for the People of God.

**Thanks** be to God.

THE COMMUNION

During the administration of Communion and the Ablutions, the choir will sing:

YMN 60 Spirit divine, attend our prayers GRÄFENBERG

Anthem How beautiful upon the mountains Sir John Stainer (1840–1901)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION §stand

**Priest** Faithful God, we thank you for feeding us with this heavenly banquet. Help us

always to hear the prophet's call to turn our hearts to you; in the name of Jesus

Christ the Lord. *Amen*.

DOXOLOGY

**Priest** 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.

BLESSING

**Priest** The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our

minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: +And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy

Spirit be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.* 

ANNOUNCEMENTS Ssit

HYMN 275 O day of God, draw night \$stand

Franconia (HB 296)

DISMISSAL

**Leader** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Teople** Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY (Mr. Kinnard)

Allegro Moderato - W. WARDER HARVEY (1861–1939)

You are cordially invited to Church House (our parish hall) for refreshments and fellowship following the 10:30 service.

15 December - The Third Sunday of Advent

08:15 - SAID EUCHARIST • 10:30 - SUNG EUCHARIST AND HEALING

Isaiah 35.1–10 • Psalm 146.4–9 *Lauda, anima mea* James 5.7–10 • St. Matthew 11.2–11

#### ASSISTING -

Wreath-Lighting The Stephen Family

Lectors Doreen Blackman, Malcolm Tinsley

**Chalice Bearers** Joanne Tapscott, Colin Briggs **Sidespersons** Carol Perch, Kathy Mikkelsen

Subdeacon Barbara CalderCrucifer Don Seaton

Acolytes Arnold Goetz, Michael Croft

*Intercessor* Joanne Tapscott

Oblationers Janice and Randy Van Vliet
Counters Sara Sakowski, Tom Naughten

Altar Guild Sara Sakowski

Children's Program Kendall Jackson, Monica Majur, Rohan Kiska

**Refreshments Hosts** Doreen Blackman, Joan Bartlet (Proceeds: Building Maintenance Funds)

If you would like your birth date or anniversary published in the pew leaflet, please contact the parish office.

Happy Birthday

Steven Vande Vyvere 8 December Neil Almdal 14 December Mary Smith 14 December

## Please include the following people in your prayers:

#### **PARISHIONERS:**

Marjorie Sizeland, R.I.P., Paul Hogue, Paul and Beryl Magel, Betty DeJong, Nancy Dunn, Jeff Brown, Bill Brant, Georgie Snead, Orest Rosolowich, Fr. Tom Graham, Ann Croft, Dorothy and John Funnell, Ruth Calvert, Ted. R., Shirley and Neil Almdal, Cecile Chiddenton, John Judge, Carol Perch, Harold Christie.

#### FRIENDS AND FAMILY:

Randy, Simon, Kayla, Jason, Jim Carr,
Alain Carlson, John McCorquodale,
Mike Kondracki, David Martin,
The Rev. Bob Brownlie,
The Rev. Canon John Ezeobi, Jenny Miller,
George Peterson, Brenda Calder,
Daphne W., Edgar Dirk,
Walter Mildren, Ed Miller,
George Nelson, Everett Lampman.

#### St. Luke's is a scent-free space.

Please be aware that scents may cause allergic/asthmatic reactions in some of our congregants.

In order not to spoil the service for other members of the congregation, please silence electronic devices such as cellphones.

St. Luke's private Wi-Fi guest network - User ID: Gloria Password: inexcelsis

## Forthcoming Service to note

Sunday 22 December - Fourth Sunday of Advent 16:00 - A FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

On behalf of the Wardens and Parish Council, thank you for your generous response to our Fall Appeal. We appreciate so much your prayerful partnership with us and are so grateful for your ongoing prayers as you care for members of the community in this very tangible way.

\*\*Raised to date: \$24,170.00

#### **NOTICES**

## *Grief Support Group* **Today - 12:30 -** Boardroom.

#### **Bible Study**

**Tuesdays,** 10:00 in the boardroom. *Considering the Incarnation: St Matthew and St. Luke.* Last meeting before Christmas: 17 December.

**Hospitality Drop In** 

Volunteers are really needed for this parish outreach ministry. Give one to two hours of your time, either weekly, or a couple of times a month to help serve food and hand out toiletries on Tuesday mornings from 07:00 to 09:00. It is a rewarding and heart-warming opportunity to work with and become friends with our guests. Please contact Barbara Calder.

#### Canadian Church Calendars

2020 calendars are now available for \$10.00 each. 08:15 folk: contact Roberta Bishop 10:15 folk: contact Anne Rennie or contact the parish office.

#### **Giving Envelopes**

Available for pickup at the rear of the nave.

If you know of a neighbour or friend who cannot attend services in the next few weeks, please arrange to pick up and deliver their envelopes.

#### Need a new idea for a Christmas Gift?

Having trouble finding something for that special someone? Gift cards will be available for gift-giving from all our Mission and Outreach groups this Sunday.

#### Delicious Dishes...

will be hosting coffee time on **15 December**. A "Posh Sandwich" will be served with Christmas goodies for dessert. Suggested donation is \$10.00 per person. On that day, there will also be a bake sale. If you have not done your Christmas baking yet and do not feel inspired, come out and view what we will have for sale. Some plates of Vera's shortbread will be for sale along with other Christmas goodies and preserves. Anyone wishing to donate baking, it will be very welcome. *Thank you!* 

#### **Iesse Tree**

Get your knitting needles and wool out, find your patterns.

What is it? Jesse trees are a very old Advent tradition, first started in medieval times. The first Jesse trees were large carvings, tapestries, or even stained glass windows put in churches that helped illiterate people learn about the Bible from creation to the Christmas story. At St. Luke's we adorn the tree which is set up and adorned with warm apparel such as mittens, scarves, socks, and toques that are removed just before Christmas

and given to the less fortunate.

Your skills and compassion in donating items and placing on the Jesse tree is deeply appreciated by all involved.

#### A Request

Delicious Dishes are looking for the usual donations of cheeses, dips, *hors d'oeuvres*, dainties/baking, or cash for the reception following the carol service on 22 December. This is the third and last week of asking for donations. **NOTE:** So far, once again little has been received. I will be at both services again this week, trusting that at least 15 people will come forward with offerings if we are to proceed with this event.

It will not happen without you!

Hospitality Drop-in "Big Breakfast"

**Tuesday 17 December.** We need volunteers to cook, serve, and help clean up. Donations of bacon, sausages, and pancake mix, and/or cash donations are deeply appreciated. *Come and have a great time!* Contact Barbara Calder.

A special thank you to all the people who planned, organized, and ran the Advent Event last Sunday. *Thank you very much!* 

Our condolences to the family of Marjorie Sizeland, R.I.P., who passed away on Wednesday 4 December. Funeral arrangements are pending.

The Advent Event committee sends a big **thank you** to everyone who so generously shared their time and talents with us last Sunday, especially Irmy Friesen, Susan Gandier, Blair Anderson, Jim Watson, Tom Naughten, Richard Whidden, Rohan Kiska, Janice and Randy Van Vliet. We also thank those who donated gently-used Christmas decorations, baking, soup, and auction prizes. The event provided a great opportunity for our two congregations to get together for food, fellowship, and a whole lot of fun! Thanks to all who participated, we raised over \$825.00 for the Fall Appeal. - *Kris, Holly, Christine, Al, and Heather* 

This parish has been blessed by your presence today.