

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



**First Sunday of Advent**  
**November 28, 2021**



*Hope*

**Service of Morning Prayer**  
Book of Alternative Services



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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 45 BAS**

**Hymn 88: Come Thou Long Expected Jesus**  
(You may sing wearing a mask.)

**Birthdays & Anniversaries!**

## **Lighting the Advent Wreath** **Candle 1 – Hope**

On this first Sunday of Advent, we light the candle of hope.

*(Candle is lit.)*

Hope is our assurance that God will finish all He has started.  
Hope is our confidence that He will do all He has promised.  
All the promises of God are fulfilled in Jesus Christ.

He is our hope today and forever! (2. Cor. 1.20)

Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift! (2 Cor. 9.15)

**Hymn 120: O Little Town of Bethlehem**

(You may sing wearing a mask.)

O Little town of Bethlehem how still we see thee lie.  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep,  
the silent stars go by:  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth the everlasting Light!  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
are met in thee tonight.

## Scripture Sentence:

Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.  
*Luke 21:28*

## The Penitential Rite

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<b>Response #5 before and after the Jubilate:</b>	p. 48
Officiant: The Kingdom of God is at hand:	
<b>Response: O come, let us worship!</b>	
<b>Jubilate (together)</b>	p. 49

## The Proclamation of the Word

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Jeremiah 33: 14-16 *The Righteous Branch and the Covenant with David*

**Psalm 25: Vs 1-9** (responsively by half verse) p. 733

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** 1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13 *Paul's Desire to Visit Them Again*

**Gradual: Emmanuel** (*You may sing wearing a mask.*)

Emmanuel, Emmanuel,

His name is called Emmanuel;

God with us, revealed in us;

His name is called Emmanuel.

*Repeat.*

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**Gospel: Luke 21: 25-36** *The Coming of the Son of Man / The Lesson of the Fig Tree/ Exhortation to Watch*

**Sermon: How Can We Make Jesus' Coming a Reality for Ourselves and for Others?**

**Instrumental #112: Behold! The Mountain of the Lord**

**Affirmation of Faith - Apostles Creed**

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**Offertory Hymn #645: *Come Down, O Love Divine***

*(You may sing wearing a mask.)*

**Prayer over the Gifts** (Offering plates remain at the back).

God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Prayers of the People, Litany #12**

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**Response: Lord Jesus, come soon.**

**The Collect of the Day together:** Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**Lord's Prayer**

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**The Blessing**

**Hymn #486: *Love Divine, All Love's Excelling***

*(You may sing wearing a mask.)*

**Dismissal**

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

**People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia**

**Welcome:** A hearty welcome to all who are worshipping with us today. Visitors are invited to sign our Guest Book.

**Note:** While we are under a State of Emergency, the offering plate remains at the back of the church.

**Special Prayers** are requested for: Janet, Kim, Ernest, Mavis, Gordon, Ellen, Karla, Amanda, Jennifer, Randy, Colin, Liam, Sadie, Emma, Scottie, Kate, Gail, Tanya, Terry, Brad, Billy, Lorne, Kent, Doreen, Dick, Susanne, Jim, Trevor, Lindsay, Lois, David, Carrie, Barry, Freda, Charles, Archbishop David's parents, Doreen and John, Deacon Rose Steeves, and Elta Doncaster.

### **Participating in Today's Service**

Officiant: Rev. Shirley Noseworthy  
Lay Reader: Ruth Hall  
Organist: Sandra Culberson  
Greeters: Ross & Vivian Belyea  
Videographer: Armin Hackelsperger  
Altar Guild: Ardith MacDonald & Nancy English

### **Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries!**

**Happy Birthday** to Makayla Rees, Rollie Ritchie, Brier Ryder, and to anyone celebrating a birthday!

**Happy Wedding Anniversary** to Rev. Shirley & Armin, David & Janis Richard and to anyone celebrating their special day!

### **A Prayer based on Ephesians 2:10**

O give thanks to the Lord for He is good! Lord thank You for those celebrating a special day! Each one is Your handiwork created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which You have prepared in advanced for them to do! Thank You Lord for creating a plan and purpose for their lives. May they never take their life for granted. We praise Your Name for all you have in store for them! In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

### **Diocesan Intercessions**

Each week we pray for those on the prayer cycle from our Diocesan Website, located [here](#). On **Nov. 28** Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil. Archbishop Linda Nicholls, Anglican Church of Canada. Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon, Archbishop Lynne McNaughton and the Provincial Council. The 45th anniversary of the Ordination of Women in the Anglican Church of Canada Nov. 30. Diocese of Ho, Bishop Matthias Meduadues-Badohu. Diocese of Yukon, Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame, members of the Diocesan Executive Committee, diocesan Vice-Chancellor John Vaissi Nagy. Archbishop David, retired bishops Claude, William and George, and their families.

## **Thank you to the Decorators!**

We are grateful to the team of volunteers who decorated the church inside and out for the Advent and Christmas seasons. God's house of worship looks beautiful and festive!

## **New Furnaces to be Installed**

Monteith Heating Ltd. has advised that they have the furnaces and the materials for St. Luke's Church, but due to unforeseen circumstances, the installation has been delayed until next week.

## **Keeping Everyone Safe**

Under the provincial mandatory order, all participants (age 12 up) are required to: Show full proof of vaccination (or medical exemption), to be recorded by the Greeter, so that you will not be asked to show proof each time you attend worship. You must wear a mask at all times. (except those officiating). There is no capacity issue. Singing while masked is permitted.

## **Greeters for 2022?**

Thank you to Nancy English and Ann Tait for volunteering to be greeters for the month of December. Please contact Ruth at 328-4304 to volunteer to be a greeter January through December 2022.

## **Christmas Take-Out Dinner Thursday, Nov. 25**

Thank you for the organizers, volunteers and everyone who supported this event. God bless you for your faithful contribution to our parish.

## **Memorial Christmas Tree Lighting Nov. 29**

The tree lighting ceremony will take place Mon. Nov. 29, 7:00 pm outside St. Luke's Church. Thank you to Mark and Dot Love for generously donating the tree, delivered on Sat. Nov. 27 at 10 am and put in place. The memorial names will be read at the 10:30 am service on Dec. 19, 2021. A letter has been sent to everyone on our parish email list and copies are available at the back of the church.

## **Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Nov. 30**

Thank you to the volunteers for Mon., Nov. 30 - Jim Brown 10-12; Ross & Vivian Belyea 12-2; Pat & Blair Whitehouse 2-4; Kathy Asch 4-6, at the Superstore. God bless you all for your faithful service!

## **Looking for that Special Christmas Gift?**

Are you looking for a special Christmas Gift for someone on your list? How about a St. Luke's Heritage Cookbook – published April 2019. We still have a few copies available at a cost of \$15.00. Businesses are advertising to shop local – this is truly a “local” gift. Call Ruth at 328-4304 to reserve your copy.

## **Festive Food Hampers Valley Foodbank Dec. 3**

As a way of helping families in need at Christmas, we are invited to fill a hamper for donation to the Valley Foodbank by Dec. 3. The cost of filling one hamper is approximately \$100. You may consider doing this at home or bringing items to church on Sunday, which will be delivered to the Valley Foodbank by Dec. 3. Hampers should consist of turkey, potatoes, vegetables, stuffing, fruit, juice, margarine/butter, cranberry sauce. Cereal, mac 'n' cheese, eggs, soups, & dessert. We may also add small gifts, tree decorations, and hygiene products. For info contact Valley Foodbank at 328-4417 or email [yfsfood@nb.aibn.com](mailto:yfsfood@nb.aibn.com). Or to contribute to a church hamper contact Janis Richard at 328-8225.

## **ACW Sweet Sale Dec. 11**

The ACW is selling Christmas sweets as a fundraiser.

1 plate of 20 Christmas sweets @ \$15 per plate/

3 Mincemeat Pies – first come, first served @ \$15 each.

Place your order by Sat. Dec. 4 to [rbrowneye@hotmail.com](mailto:rbrowneye@hotmail.com), or Jill Craig 324-5750, or any member of the ACW.

Drive-in pick-up on Sat. Dec. 11 from 1:00 – 3:00 pm at St. Luke's Hall, 104 Church Street, Woodstock.

## **Cookie Sunday Dec. 12**

Cookie Sunday for shut-ins will be Dec. 12. We are seeking volunteers to make and deliver cookies! If you are able to help, please contact Nancy English at 328-2295. Thank you!

## **Meet Baby Shaelynne**

Shaelynne Margaret Alice Slaunwhite was born to Brianna Clowes and Matt Slaunwhite on June 22, 2021, weighing 1 lb. 5 oz. She came home Sept. 23 and now weighs nearly 8 lbs. If you would like to make a gift to baby Shaelynne, here are a few items that she needs:

Newborn diapers, wipes-Huggies as she is sensitive to other brands.

Newborn clothing - she finally outgrew prem.

Yellow Enfamil canned concentrate formula

Brianna and Matt are deeply grateful and thank the church family for all the love, prayers, and support given to them and their three children, Bryson, Braydon, and Shaelynne!

**Donations for Baby Shaelynne can be dropped off at St. Luke's church office.**



## **Christ Church Cemetery Digital Map**

A number of years ago our parish hired a summer student who spent time and effort on digitizing the map of Christ Church cemetery, which was stored on a floppy disc. We are looking for this disc and wondered if a member of the congregation may know where it is? If so, please contact Ruth at 328-4304. Thank you for your help!

## **Confirmation**

Rehearsal for Confirmation will be held on Sat. Dec. 4 at 4 pm at St. Luke's Church. Candidates and parents/guardians are asked to be there to prepare for the Confirmation Service on Dec. 5, 10:30 am at St. Luke's with Archbishop David Edwards. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Shirley 328-9913.

## **Mitten Tree**

Our parish is partnering with the Salvation Army again this year to support families in need by helping with gifts for children. The Mitten tree is at the back of the church. Simply pick a mitten off the tree for a girl or boy and sign the sheet on the greeter's table. Please purchase a gift (up to a \$25 value) and place in a gift bag with tissue paper. Tie the Mitten or a gift tag marked boy or girl and the age. The gifts are to be brought in by Dec. 12.

## **Bulletin Board**

### **Sunday, Nov. 28 - Advent 1**

10:30 am Holy Eucharist (BAS)

### **Mon., Nov. 29 – Memorial Tree Lighting**

7:00 pm – Memorial Christmas Tree Lighting Outside

### **Tues., Nov. 30 – Brownies**

6:15-7:45 pm St. Luke's Hall

### **Wed. Dec. 1 – Choir Practice**

6:30 – 7:15 pm St. Luke's Church

### **Sat. Dec. 4 – Greening & Confirmation Rehearsal**

1:30 pm St. Luke's Hall Greening for Christ Church

4:00 pm St. Luke's Church Confirmation Rehearsal

### **Sunday, Dec. 5 – Advent 2**

10:30 am Confirmation & Holy Eucharist (BAS)

## **Save the Date!**

Dec. 11 - 1:00 – 3:00 pm ACW Sweet Sale Drive Thru.

Dec. 12 Cookie Sunday – cookies will be made and delivered to shut ins and seniors from the homes of volunteers.

Dec. 19 10:30 am Memorial Names read at St. Luke's Church  
7:00 pm Lessons & Carols at Christ Church

Dec. 24 4:30 am Christmas Eve Service at St. Luke's  
8:30 pm Candlelight Service at Christ Church

Dec. 26 10:30 am 1<sup>st</sup> Sun. after Xmas Lessons & Carols, St. Luke's