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All Saints' Westboro



First Sunday of Advent

November 28th, 2021

8:00 am—Said Eucharist

**9:30 am—In-person service that will also
be broadcast (on Zoom) and recorded**

The Ven. Christopher Dunn

The Rev. Deacon Jarrett Carty

Music: Edith Troup

Children and Youth: Julie Newlands

Please Note: The 9:30 service is being broadcast on Zoom and recorded; if you attend in-person you may appear on camera and the recording.

Officiant: Dear friends, as we gather on the unceded and unsundered Territory of the Anishnaabeg Algonquin Nation, whose presence here reaches back to time immemorial,

All: May we walk gently together on this land, seeking renewed relationship based on honour, respect, and peace.

Opening Hymn: O Come, O Come Emmanuel (v 1-4) #89

O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain:

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to you, O Israel.*

O come, O Wisdom from on high,
who orders all things mightily;
to us the path of knowledge show,
and teach us in her ways to go. *Refrain*

O come, O come, great Lord of might,
who to your tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times once gave the law,
in cloud and majesty and awe. *Refrain*

O come, O Rod of Jesse's stem,
from every foe deliver them
that trust your mighty power to save,
and give them victory o'er the grave. *Refrain*

Children's Talk

(Please send the children forward during the last verse of the Opening Hymn. The children are invited to join the Church School following the talk.)

Officiant: Today we light the first Advent candle. It will be a light to guide us towards Christmas.

(Light first blue candle)

All: This candle reminds us of the promises of God in good things already around us.

Officiant: Look, and you might see a kind person, or someone who is wise and strong.

All: People are like the branch of a beautiful tree, growing from the roots of God's life.

Officiant: O God, in faith and hope,

All: we will look and see the signs of good around us—your small gifts which encourage us while we wait for the Christ child to come. Amen.

Children's Recessional: *(Sung through twice)*

There's a song of hope in my heart;

Hope is a gift from Jesus.

There's a song of hope in my heart;

Hope is a gift from God.

Refrain:

Alleluia! Hope in my heart is singing praises.

Alleluia! Hope is a gift from God.

(The Children then proceed downstairs for Church School)

Officiant: Almighty God,

All: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Officiant: God of justice and peace,

All: from the heavens you rain down mercy and kindness. Raise our heads in expectation, so that we may yearn for the coming day of the Lord and stand without blame before your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

The First Reading is from Jeremiah (33:14-16)

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 25: 1-10

Refrain:



Lord, make me know your ways.
Teach me your pathways, Lord.
Teach me to walk in the truth of your ways.
You are my Saviour, Lord. **Refrain**

Show me your mercy, Lord.
In love remember me.
Show me the love we have known from of old,
now, in your goodness, Lord. **Refrain**

Yahweh is kind and true,
guides those who go astray,
shepherds the humble along the right path,
teaches the poor his ways. **Refrain**

The Second Reading is from 1 Thessalonians (3:9-13)

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless

before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn: God, You Have Caused to Be Written #476

**God, you have caused to be written
your word for our learning;
grant us that, hearing, our hearts
may be inwardly burning.**

**Give to us grace,
that in your Son we embrace life, all its glory discerning.**

**Now may our God give us joy, and all peace in believing
all things were written in truth for our thankful receiving.**

**As Christ did preach,
through all the world love must reach:
grant us each day love's achieving.**

**Lord, should the powers of the earth
and the heavens be shaken,
grant us to see you in all things, our vision awoken.
Help is to see,
though all the earth cease to be,
your truth shall never be shaken.**

Reader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (21:25-36)

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus said, "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." Then Jesus told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they

sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Officiant: Let us make an affirmation of faith, as we say,

All: You, O God, are supreme and holy. You create our world and give us life. Your purpose overarches everything we do. You have always been with us. You are God.

You, O God, are infinitely generous, good beyond all measure. You came to us before we came to you. You have revealed and proved your love for us in Jesus the Christ, who lived and died and rose again. You are with us now. You are God.

You, O God, are Holy Spirit. You empower us to be your gospel in the world. You reconcile and heal; you overcome death. You are our God. We worship you.

Prayers of the People

One: As we begin the season of Advent, we remember all those affected by the catastrophe in British Columbia. We pray for all those faced with grief, suffering, and stress in the face of such loss. We ask that the leaders of British Columbia and our nation may make justice and helpful decisions. Grant O Lord care and assistance, and a sense of faith and hope in the future. We ask you Lord,

All: **hear our prayer.**

One: We pray for the Anglican Church of Canada. Today we pray for all the dioceses in British Columbia whose people have been affected by these weather incidents. We pray for Linda, our Primate; Anne, our Metropolitan; Mark, our Indigenous Archbishop; and Shane, our Bishop; Chris and Jarrett, our clergy; and Brian, pastor of First United. May their ministries continue to be a blessing to all. We ask you Lord,

All: **hear our prayer.**

One: At this time, we remember before you those who have asked us to pray for them:

All: **Betty-Joan** (Hagerman); **Cheryl** (McTeer); **Michele** (Pollesel); **Randy** (Brown); **Charlie** (Cuffari); **Barbara** (Hill); **Ernest** (Betancourt); **Tony** (Fisher); **Helen** (Miller); **William** (Blackie); **Brenda** (Fuche); **Irene** (Lowry); **Pat** (Broome); **Nina** (Fowler); **Laura** (DesClouds); **Lois** (Frazier-Nagel); **Susan** (Gates); **Tom** (Thorne); **Sue** (Wise); **Sarah** (Vedell); **Aneesa** (Yonan); **Penny** (Rowe); **Andrea** (Smith)

One: and for those whose names we speak or hold in our hearts. . . . May they be comforted by your love and compassion. We ask you Lord,

All: **hear our prayer.**

One: We pray for those who have died remembering especially those in British Columbia and those we personally remember, whom we name silently or aloud. . . . May their memories be a blessing and a comfort to all who mourn. We ask you Lord,

All: **hear our prayer.**

One: As we go forward in this season of Advent, may we not be distracted by what is going on around us camouflaging the true meaning of the upcoming season of joy. May we seek a full relationship with you, Lord, and be a beacon of light as we serve you in our community and beyond. Give us strength to

face the future with hope and expectation. We ask you Lord,

All: Amen.

Officiant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy. God welcomes sinners and invites us to the table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept

Officiant: Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Officiant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Officiant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

When exchanging the Peace with fellow parishioners, please remember that physical contact with those outside your bubble group is not permitted during this Yellow phase. Share a sign of peace with others around you by other means such as bowing or waving.

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

**Lo, he comes with clouds descending,
once for favoured sinners slain;
thousand thousand saints attending
swell the triumph of his train:
hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!
God appears on earth to reign.**

Every eye shall now behold him,
robed in dreadful majesty;
all who set at nought and sold him,
pierced, and nailed him to the tree,
deeply grieving, deeply grieving, deeply grieving,
shall the true Messiah see.

Now redemption, long expected,
see in solemn pomp appear;
all his saints, on earth rejected,
thrill the trumpet sound to hear:
hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!
See the day of God appear!

Yea, amen, let all adore thee,
high on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory;
claim the kingdom for thine own:
O come quickly! O come quickly! O come quickly!
Hallelujah! Come, Lord, come!

Officiant: God of love and power,

All: 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.

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Officiant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Officiant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Officiant: It is indeed right to thank you and praise you, holy and gracious God, creator of all things, ruler of heaven and earth, sustainer of life, for you are the source of all goodness, rich in mercy and abounding in love; you are faithful to your people in every generation, and your word endures for ever. Therefore with angels and archangels, with the

fellowship of saints and the company of heaven, we glorify your holy name, evermore praising you and singing:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Officiant: We praise you, merciful God, not as we ought, but as we are able, because in your tender love you gave the world your only Son, in order that the world might be saved through him. He made you known by taking the form of a servant, healing the sick, liberating the oppressed, reaching out to the lost. Betrayed, reviled, and nailed to the cross, he confronted the power of sin and disarmed it for ever. In his offering of himself, he became the perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Redeemed by Christ, we have been adopted as your children; by your pardon you have made us worthy to praise you. On the night he was betrayed, Jesus, at supper with his friends, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, gave it to them, and said, "Take and eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." In obedience to him and with grateful hearts we approach your holy table, remembering our Saviour's sacrifice, and rejoicing in his victory. Confident in his sovereign purpose, we declare our faith.

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Officiant: Send your Holy Spirit on us that as we receive this bread and this cup we may partake of the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, and feed on him in our

hearts by faith with thanksgiving. May we be renewed in his risen life, filled with love, and strengthened in our will to serve others; and make of our lives, we pray, a pure and holy sacrifice, acceptable to you, knitting us together as one in your Son Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and forever.

All: Amen.

Officiant: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we sing,

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.

Officiant: God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

All: Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

Officiant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

*During Communion, please proceed forward in your family group to the altar but leave a social distance between yourself and the person ahead of you. A sidesperson will direct you when to come forward to receive the host. If you are unable to receive the wheat wafer, a rice wafer is available. While it is fully sufficient to receive in one kind, just the bread, the Common Cup is available for those who wish to receive. **Please Note: Intinction is not allowed.** You will then be invited to use hand sanitizer again in the side aisles after you have put you mask back on.*

Musical Interlude

Officiant: All your works praise you, O Lord.

All: And your faithful servants bless you. Gracious God we thank you for feeding us with the body

and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ. May we, who share his body, live his risen life; we, who drink his cup, bring life to others; we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world. Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us, so that we and all your children shall be free, and the whole earth live to praise your name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Officiant: Look to the Child of Advent.

All: Advent summons us with the exuberant hopefulness of a child.

Officiant: Advent holds us spellbound with childlike wonder.

All: Advent challenges us, for God was made known in a tiny child in a far-off land.

Officiant: And the blessing

Announcements

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

All: Thanks be to God.

When the service ends, please leave through the Richmond Road doors or back to the Madison Avenue door and maintain safe social distances. When in the Courtyard, please continue to wear a mask and maintain the social distancing if you are speaking with others.

Readings for Next Sunday, December 5th, 2021

Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79;

Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6

Sharing in our liturgical ministry today:

Greeters: Julie and Peter Newlands

Readers: Joanne Rowlinson and Brian Morton

Intercessor: Toni Larsen

Please pray this week for

- those worshipping and ministering at The Virgin Mary Episcopal Church, Irbid, Jordan—in our Companion Diocese of Jerusalem and the Middle East;
- Anglican Social Services—Centre 454, (one of our Diocesan Community Ministries) and for their Executive Director, Rachel Robinson;
- those in our pastoral care: Pam Cross, Thelma Mills, Audrey McIntosh, and Fran Tippet; and
- Ottawa West Community Support, the Parkdale Food Centre, and for the Westboro Region Food Bank.

Credits:

Closing prayers from David Sparks, Prayers to Share, Year C

Collect from Revised Common Lectionary Prayers (2002) alt.

Readings from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.

Psalms reprinted from A Liturgical Psalter, General Synod 2016 edition, the psalter of the Book of Alternative Services emended for contemporary liturgical use

Liturgical texts from The Book of Alternative Services

Affirmation of faith from A New Zealand Prayer Book

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There is no need to preregister for our 8:00 am and 9:30 am Sunday Services. However, you will be asked to show your vaccination certificate or passport (along with proof of identity), provide contact information, wear a mask at all times in the Church, and stay distanced from anyone outside your family group.



Eastern Screech Owl, Mud Lake, Ottawa (Photo by Christopher Dunn)

Saints Alive!

Weekly News from All Saints' Westboro
First Sunday of Advent November 28th, 2021

This Week

Today	9:30 am	Church School	Rm 7/8
Monday:	10:00 am to 1:00 pm		Food Bank
Wednesday	10:30 am	Eucharist	Church
	7:00 pm	Bible of Tap	Zoom
Thursday	3:00 to 7:00 pm		Food Bank
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice	Room 7/8
	7:00 pm	Advent Study	Zoom

Church School

A Trip to Bethlehem—An Advent Journey Sundays, Today, December 5th, 12th, and 19th

We invite All Saints' children and youth to join us on an Advent journey—destination Bethlehem! All ages, four-years-old to high school, will gather in Room 7/8 right after the puppet conversation, and we will get on the road!

Itinerary:

Today	The City of Hope
December 5 th	The Village of Peace
December 12 th	The City of Joy
December 19	The Town of Love

Pack in your Bag:

a hopeful attitude
a desire for peace
a gift for the Food Bank
a loving heart

Passports will be issued today, and travellers will personalize their own document as we travel. Everyone will be distanced and masked.

Upcoming Events

Bible on Tap

Wednesday, December 1st at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Join Father Chris a discussion of our upcoming Bible readings. He will send out the Zoom link in his email this week.

Advent Study with Linda Privitera

Thursdays, December 2nd, 9th, and 16th, at 7:00 pm, via Zoom

This is the second Personalities and Portraits series and will look at how each gospel writer prepares for Christmas and how their focus on Incarnation rests in us.

The following Zoom coordinates will be the same for every evening:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83980088746?pwd=MWhucURhZDNJbCt2TUJNeFFOSHZ3Zz09> (Meeting ID: 839 8008 8746; Passcode: 684063)

Jazz Vespers

Sunday, December 5th, at 4:30 pm in the Church

The musicians will be Charles Gordon (trumpet), Yves Laroche (piano), and Tom Denison (bass); Dr. Patricia Bays will be offering the reflection. There is no need to preregister, but you will be asked to show your vaccination certificate or passport, provide contact information, wear a mask, and stay distanced from anyone outside your family group.

Supporting GranAid at Christmas Time

Due to the pandemic, there will be no GranAid Christmas cookie sale this year. However, the financial needs of the Fikelela Aids Project in the Diocese of Cape Town, South Africa are greater than ever. Instead of baking, or purchasing GranAid cookies, please consider making a monetary donation to this worthy cause. **Cheques can be made out to All Saints' Westboro, with "GranAid" on the memo line.** We sincerely hope the cookie sale will be back next year. Thank you!

First in the lecture series for the 125th Anniversary of the Anglican Diocese of Ottawa: Michelle Good Monday, December 6th, at 7:30 pm, via Zoom

	MICHELLE GOOD is the author of the powerful Governor-General's Award-winning novel <i>Five Little Indians</i> . Michelle will deliver the first lecture in a series that commemorates the 125th anniversary of the Anglican Diocese of Ottawa on Monday, December 6, 2021 at 7:30 pm.
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The lecture will be hosted on Zoom for those who wish to register and have the opportunity to ask questions: https://ottawa-anglican-ca.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwvd-qqqz4vEtdadOK51PGCqFaol_g3PkDZb The lecture will also be livestreamed on YouTube for those who just want to watch. Michelle Good's remarks will continue to be available on the YouTube channel afterwards.
<https://www.youtube.com/user/ANGDIOOTT>

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS 2021

at All Saints' Westboro

Wednesday, December 1st

10:30 am Mid-week Eucharist

Second Sunday in Advent, December 5th

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

9:30 am Sung Eucharist

4:30 pm Jazz Vespers



Wednesday, December 8th

10:30 am Mid-week Eucharist

Third Sunday in Advent, December 12th

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

9:30 am Sung Eucharist



Wednesday, December 15th

10:30 am Mid-week Eucharist

Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 19th

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

9:30 am Sung Eucharist

4:30 pm Blue Christmas Service



Christmas Eve, Friday, December 24th

4:00 pm Family Eucharist with Children's Participation
(Prior Registration Required for 4:00)

10:00 pm Sung Eucharist with Candles and Carols



Christmas Day, Saturday, December 25th

10:00 am Eucharist with Carols

First Sunday after Christmas, December 26th

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

9:30 am Sung Eucharist and Church School

Wednesday, December 29th

10:30 am Mid-week Eucharist

Epiphany Sunday, January 2nd

8:00 am Holy Eucharist

9:30 am Sung Eucharist and Church School

4:30 pm Jazz Vespers

