

I will make a righteous Branch  
sprout from David's line;  
he will do what is just  
and right in the land.

Jeremiah 33:15

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## *St. James Anglican Church*

November 28, 2021

1<sup>st</sup>. Sunday of Advent

Service of Holy Eucharist. BAS

**Processional Hymn: O Come, O Come, Emanuel**

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A Candle is burning, a flame warm and bright,  
a candle of hope in December's dark night.  
While angels sing blessing from heaven's starry sky,  
our hearts we prepare now for Jesus is nigh.

**Lighting of the First Advent Candle – Hope**

### **The Grace**

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

### **The Collect for Purity**

Celebrant: Almighty God,

**People: 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**

### **The Collect for the Day**

***(Together):* Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour 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**

**First Reading: Jeremiah 33; 14-16**

### **Psalm 25: 1-10**

*1* To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; \* let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

*2* Let none who look to you be put to shame; \* let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

*3* Show me your ways, O Lord, \* and teach me your paths.

**4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, \* for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.**

5 Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love, \* for they are from everlasting.

**6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; \*remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O Lord.**

7 Gracious and upright is the Lord; \* therefore he teaches sinners in his way.

**8 He guides the humble in doing right \* and teaches his way to the lowly.**

9 All the paths of the Lord are love and faithfulness \* to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

**10 For your name's sake, O Lord, \* forgive my sin, for it is great.**

(Together) God of compassion and love, forgive our sins, relieve our misery, satisfy our longing, and fulfil all our hopes for peace; through your Son Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen

**Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13**

**Gradual Hymn Lo He Comes RB - 393**

**Gospel: Luke 21: 25-36**

**Sermon**

**The Apostles' Creed**

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Church News

**Advent Blessing Jars to help us observe the season of Advent. Today, downstairs after the service we will make them.**

This is an easy and quick project for all ages. We hope you can join us.



**St James Christmas Bazaar Thanks to all who contributed!**

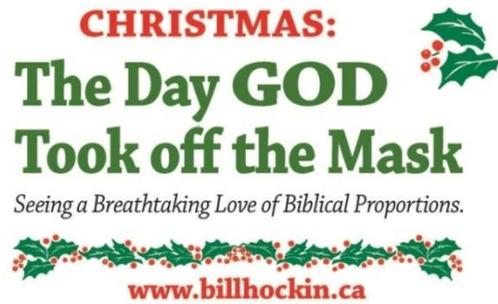
**Canadian Church Calendars 2022 – in the Vestibule \$5.00 each.**



**Toiletry Collection for St George's Outreach**

Showers (up to 8) are offered every morning at St George's, Mon – Fri. Can we help supply them? Foot powder, talc, womens' sanitary products, large shampoos, body wash, razors, hand cream, hand wipes. Please deposit in the basket in the vestibule.

**Angel Tree – Next Sunday, December 5** – select an angel or angels to name and place on the tree – This is a way to remember someone dear who has passed away or someone in need of prayer now.



Video recordings of talks will be released on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com) as follows:

**Monday, November 29, noon (AST):**

Bishop Bill Hockin – Finding Daffodils in the Desert

**Monday, December 6, noon:**

Canon Albert Snelgrove

**Monday, December 13, noon:**

Dr. Barry Craig

**Christmas Cards for Sale in the Vestibule** – Hand made in England, \$2 each. Proc to support the Youth Centre at Elsipogtog First Nations. More cards are on their way!

**PWRDF Fundraiser with, St Andrew's, St Mary's and St Philip's**

Funds raised this year will purchase hand pump wells for Kenya. \$1200 supplies one well, we hope to be able to provide as many as possible. We will collect until Sunday December 26th. Please place your offering on the plate marked **PWRDF Fundraiser**.

**Communitiy Breakfast – It is getting colder. We need men's jackets, clean hoodies, hats, gloves, socks for our monthly breakfast at St Georges.** Thanks for your continued generosity! Our next Breakfast will be Sat. Dec. 18. Please let Donna know if you would like to volunteer!

**Food Bank Sunday – Next Sunday** Thanks for your donations and continued support!!!

**Prayer Shawls Available** – Please ask if you would like a prayer shawl to give to someone. Rev Wendy, Loretta or Donna.

## Prayers of the People The First Sunday of Advent

Priest: In a time of distress among nations, when people faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world: Hear the prayers of your people as we raise our heads to behold our redemption that is drawing near, as we pray: Remember, O God, your compassion and love, **for they are from everlasting.**

Reader 1: Loving God, you have given your people the confidence to come before you through the new and living way that Jesus Christ has opened for us. Grant your church grace to provoke one another to love and good deeds, encouraging one another in Christ. In the church we pray for David our Archbishop, Brent our Archdeacon, Wendy our priest and all in leadership roles. May they lead us to understand the love of Jesus and His message. Bless your Church and her members as we labour in your vineyard, that we may be fruitful, as we live our lives in a manner worthy of the gospel, and live faithfully in your loving presence. To you, O Gracious One, we lift up our souls: Restore whatever is lacking in our faith, that your Church may increase and abound in love for one another and for all, remaining alert at all times to see the Son of Man coming with power and great glory. Remember, O God, your compassion and love, **for they are from everlasting.**

Reader 2: O Holy One, whose reign casts away the works of darkness: Cover the leaders of the world with the armor of light and come quickly to let your righteous Branch spring up to execute justice and righteousness in all the earth. Remember, O God, your compassion and love, **for they are from everlasting.**

Reader 3: Source of refuge and hope for all who suffer: Let none who look to you be put to shame; though the powers of the heavens may be shaken, fulfill the promise you have made on behalf of everyone who suffers throughout the world. Remember, O God, your compassion and love, **for they are from everlasting.**

Reader 4: Hear our prayers for everyone in need, especially (Add Prayer List). We thank you for your grace and presence at work among us. Come in your glory, O Christ, and take to yourself those who have died,

that they may rise to the life immortal. Remember, O God, your compassion and love, **for they are from everlasting.**

(Together) **Holy and Almighty One, as we see the foreboding signs in our times, teach us that your reign is near; guard our hearts so they may not be weighed down with the worries of this life but strengthened in holiness, that we may be blameless before you, our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints, in the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.**

### **Confession and Absolution**

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

Celebrant; Most merciful God,

**People: 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.**

Celebrant: 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

### **Musical Selection**

### **Prayer Over the Gifts:**

*(Together)* **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**

### **Eucharistic Prayer #2**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: We give you thanks and praise, almighty

God,..... / .....to proclaim the glory of your name.

People: **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.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

### **The Communion**

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **Musical Selection:**

### **Prayer after Communion:**

*(Together)* God for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life. Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man. We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

### **Doxology:**

Celebrant : Glory to God,

**People: 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.**

### **The Blessing**

### **Announcements**

### **Come Thou Long Expected**

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Prayer Requests: Susan Goguen, Trisha Corner, Joan Dennison, Bill, Ann, Gert,