



### Clergy

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## *St. James Anglican Church*

December 05, 2021

2<sup>nd</sup>. Sunday of Advent

Service of Holy Eucharist. BAS

**Processional Hymn: On Jordan's Bank**

**RB-391**

A Candle is burning, a flame warm and bright,  
a candle of peace 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 Second Advent Candle – Peace**

### **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, 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**

**First Reading: Malachi 3: 1-4**

**Song of Zechariah** *Luke 1.68-79*

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; \* he has come to his people and set them free.

**He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, \* born of the house of his servant David.**

Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies, \* from the hands of all who hate us.

**He promised to show mercy to our fathers \* and to remember his holy covenant.**

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, \* to set us free from the hands of our enemies, free to worship him without fear, \* holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

**You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, \* for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, to give his people knowledge of salvation \* by the forgiveness of their sins.**

In the tender compassion of our God \* the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, \* and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**Second Reading: Philippians 1: 3-11**

**Gradual Hymn Hark The Glad Sound RB - 395**

**Gospel: Luke 3: 1-6**

### **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**

### **December at St James:**

**Angel Tree Today** – select an angel or angels to name and place on the tree – remember someone dear who has passed away or someone in need of prayer now.

**Next Sunday, Dec 12 – Advent 3** – ‘The Littlest Angel’ will be shown...a heartwarming tale for all ages.

**Caroling in the Neighbourhood – Sun Dec 12, 6:30 pm** – Starting from St James...just calling at a few homes, ending with ‘warm up’ at David Ford’s. Please sign the sheet.

**Sun, Dec 19 – Advent 4** – 11:00 a.m. Christmas Lessons and Carols

**Christmas Eve – Fri, Dec 24 – 7:00 pm** Communion and Candles

**Please join us!**



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

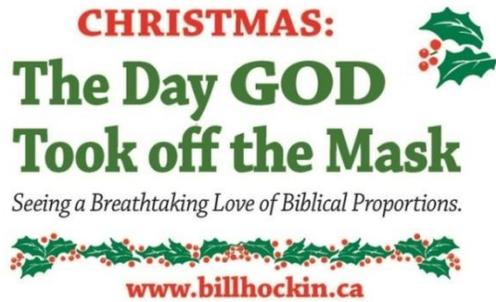
Showers (up to 8) are offered every morning at St George's, Mon – Fri. Can we help supply them? Foot powder, talc, razors, tissues, small pkgs, large shampoos, body wash, deodorant, hand cream,. Please deposit in the basket in the vestibule.

### **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**. **Thanks to all who have generously donated! We have enough for at least 2 wells...so far!**

If you took a tag from the tree last week, Please bring your gift for children by next Sunday, Dec 12 if you can.

2021 Advent Series, Online with Bishop Bill Hockin and Friends



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

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

**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!

**Communtiy 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 – Today** 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 Second Sunday of Advent

Priest:: Our gracious God, your prophets sing the Advent call to prepare the way of the Lord: Hear our prayers, for the whole human family, that your ways may be made straight, the valleys filled, the mountains lowered, the crooked straightened, and the rough places smoothed, so that all humanity may see your salvation, as we pray: Let the dawn from on high break upon us; **to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

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. Holy One, you have set your Church free through our mighty Savior Jesus Christ that we might worship you without fear, holy and righteous in your sight all the days of our life: Bring to completion the good work you have begun among us. Let the dawn from on high break upon us; **to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

Reader 2: Almighty One, through your prophets you speak your word to rulers and governors: Grant them your wisdom that they may lead us with joy in the light of your glory, with the mercy and righteousness that comes from you. Let the dawn from on high break upon us; **to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

Reader 3: Compassionate One, hear the voice of all who cry out in the wilderness – those who suffer from violence or oppression; the poor and discouraged; and all who long for the promise of new life – visit them with your compassion and love. Let the dawn from on high break upon us; **to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

Reader 4: Loving One, you visit this community with your power and compassion: Let our neighbors take off the garment of sorrow and affliction and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God. Let the dawn from on high break upon us; **to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

Reader 5; Healing God, who anoints our ministries with the compassion of Jesus Christ: Hear our intercessions on behalf of (Add Parish list). Accept the joy of our thanksgiving for the many blessings that come from your tender compassion. Shine your light on those who have passed through the shadow of death. Let the dawn from on high break upon us; **to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

(Together) **Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who has come to God's people and set them free: Give us knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of our sins, that our love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight, until we come into the day of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit, for ever and for evermore. 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 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

### **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): 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:

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

Hark, A Herald Voice

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