

## Upcoming Events:

**Christmas Memorials:** If you want to include your loved ones on the Memorial list in the Christmas Bulletins, please take a Memorial Envelope from the back table, print the information needed on the slip enclosed and check off either funds going for flowers or the building fund. Place the envelope with the slip & money on the plate no later than next Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. Thank You

**Vestry/Parish Life Pot Luck:** The last get – together for 2016 with members of Vestry & Parish Life will be a Pot Luck dinner at the Rectory beginning at 6:00pm.

**Bible Study:** The last of the Advent Bible Study will be at 10am, during Coffee Club this Tuesday. Tuesday afternoon Bible Study will start up in the New Year on January 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm.

**Advent Movie:** The fourth Advent movie, **The Christmas Hope**, will be next Friday at 6:30pm.

**Carolling to Seniors:** We will be Carolling to senior members of our church on Saturday, December 17. If you are interested in joining, please meet at the church at 1pm.

**Outreach Cookies:** St. Margaret's has been asked to supply bags of cookies for the Cathedral Outreach Christmas Celebration, Monday, Dec. 19. The cookies are to be at the church, Sunday, Dec. 18. The cookies will be packaged after the 10:30 service and help would be appreciated.

**Advent Talks:** The last talk will be held this Monday from 12:10-1:00pm at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. The talk will be as follows;

**The Thrill of the Chase**  
**David Edwards, Anglican Bishop**  
Fredericton, N.B.

## Special Ministries Next Sunday December 18, 2016

8:30 AM  
Layreader: Volunteer

10:30 AM  
First Lesson: Nancy Robinson  
Second Lesson: Volunteer  
Layreaders: Carolyn Pellow  
Jeffrey Mills  
Prayer Desk: Peggy Boucher  
Sidespersons: Jeffrey Mills  
Rachel  
Brinkman/Mills  
Counters: Andy Gunter  
Sandy McCarty  
Chancel Guild: Peggy Boucher  
Sunday School: Maria Thomas

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Parish Treasurer: Carl Dunphy

### Services and Readings for Next Sunday: December 18, 2016 4<sup>th</sup> of Advent (Year A)

8:30 a.m.: Holy Eucharist  
10:30 a.m.: Holy Eucharist

Isaiah 7:10-16	OT Page 636
Psalms 80:1-7,16-18	BAS Pages 812-813
Romans 1:1-7	NT Page 152
Matthew 1:18-25	NT Page 1



## Third Sunday In Advent

Sunday, December 11, 2016

### St. Margaret's Anglican Church Welcomes You

*Let peace surround you as you sit or kneel quietly. Let the hurry and worry of your life fall away from you. You are God's child. He loves and cares for you. He is here with you –and always. Give yourself time for Him. Have a happy day and may God bless you*

### SUNDAY SERVICE

8:30 a.m.: Holy Eucharist: BAS Page 230  
10:30am: Holy Eucharist: BAS Page 185

### Special Ministries Today December 11, 2016

8:30 AM  
Layreader: Faith Cormier

10:30 AM  
First Lesson: Brian McCarty  
Second Lesson: Sandy McCarty  
Layreaders: Peggy Boucher  
Jim Sparks  
Prayer Desk: Carolyn Pellow  
Sidespersons: Wendy Chase  
Volunteer  
Counters: Carl Dunphy  
Volunteer  
Chancel Guild: Cathy Lutes  
Sunday School: Maria Thomas

### The Holy Eucharist

The Gathering of the Community

♪ Hymn "Waiting for Our Lord"  
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### Advent Candle Lighting Prayers (see pamphlet)

♪ Advent Song "Joy, Joy, Joy"

Collect for Purity (All) Page 185

Collect: *All together, please*

God of power and mercy,  
you call us once again to celebrate the coming  
of your Son. Remove those things which hinder  
love of you, that when he comes, he may find us  
waiting in awe and wonder for him who lives  
and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one  
God, now and for ever. Amen

The Proclamation of the Word

📖 1st Lesson: Isaiah 35:1-10  
OT Page 663

Following the reading of each lesson:

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalms 146:4-9 BAS Page 905

📖 2nd Lesson: Phillipians 4:4-7  
NT Page 202

📖 Holy Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11  
NT Page 11

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus  
Christ according to St. Matthew.

All stand for the reading of the Gospel

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

At the conclusion of the Gospel,

the reader says: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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Cantata – Jesus, the Gift of Christmas (10:30)

Scripture Reading - Isaiah 40:3-5 (Peggy B.)

♪ Choir – “Prepare Us”

Narrator 1 – Cathy Lutes

**Christmas is the Story of a Gift**

♪ Hymn – “Jesus, the Gift of Christmas”

Peace – Bob Boucher

♪ Hymn – “Peace, Peace, Peace”

Scripture Reading – Isaiah 9:2 (Bob Boucher)

Hope – Bob Boucher

♪ Hymn – “We Lift the Light of Hope”

Narrator 2 – Peggy Boucher

**Christmas is the Story of a Promise**

♪ Hymn – “The Promise”

Peace – Bob Boucher

Scripture Reading – Micah 5:4-5a (Peggy B.)

Scripture Reading – Isaiah 11:6, 9 (Bob B.)

♪ Solo – “Sweet Peace”

Narrator 3 – Cynthia Noble

**Christmas is a Story of Faith**

Scripture Reading – Psalm 98:1,3 (Bob B.)

♪ Hymn – “Come Rejoicing!”

Joy – Peggy Boucher

Scripture Reading – Matthew 1:23 (Bob B.)

♪ Hymn – “God is With Us! Alleluia!”

Scripture Readings – Love (Peggy Boucher)

1 John 3:1, 1 John 4:9, John 13:34-35

Narrator 4 – Mary Louise Luck

**Christmas is a Story of Love**

♪ Hymn – “Love Has Come!”

Scripture Reading -1 John 4:9 (Bob B.)

Narrator 5 – Jeffrey Mills

**Christmas is the Story of a King**

♪ Hymn – “Jesus Loves Me”

Scripture Reading – Isaiah 9:6-7 (Peggy B.)

♪ Hymn – “Now unto Us a Child is Born”

Scripture Reading – Matthew 2:1-2,9,11 (Bob)

Narrator 6 – Nancy Wiggins

**Christmas is a Story of Worship**

Scripture Reading – 2 Corinthians 9:15 (Peggy)

♪ Hymn – “Here We Come Rejoicing”

Narrator 7 – Ken Brien

**Christmas is Only the Beginning**

Children can leave with Maria for Sunday School.

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**The Prayers of the People**

Loving and gracious God, in Christ you have promised to heal the world: Strengthen our hearts and grant us patience to wait expectantly, that we may rejoice to see your work among us, as we say: They shall see the glory of the Divine, the majesty of our God.

Grant to your Church, O God, faithful prophets and messengers who will strengthen the weak hands and make firm the feeble knees and say to those who are of a fearful heart, ‘Be strong, do not fear!’

They shall see the glory of the Divine,  
**the majesty of our God.**

Fountain of Wisdom and Mercy, give vision to our nation and to all in authority throughout the world, that all may share in your work to bring justice to those who are oppressed and food to those who hunger.

They shall see the glory of the Divine,  
**the majesty of our God.**

Compassionate One, send forth your Spirit into the world, bring sight to the blind, strength to the lame, cleansing to the unclean, hearing to the deaf, resurrection to the dead, and good news to the poor, that all the earth may obtain joy and gladness.

They shall see the glory of the Divine,  
**the majesty of our God.**

Loving One, let your waters break forth as streams in the desert in our community; make a safe highway for the return of your people to you with singing and everlasting joy.

They shall see the glory of the Divine,  
**the majesty of our God.**

Healing One, let sorrow and sickness flee away, as we bring our prayers to you for all who suffer, especially\_\_\_.

Hear our praise for your care and love; accept our attitude for our manifold blessings, especially\_\_\_.

Raise to your eternal light those who have died, especially\_\_\_.

They shall see the glory of the Divine,  
**the majesty of our God.**

Everlasting Light, visit us in the darkness of our prisons and comfort us with a vision of your coming kingdom, that we may rejoice with hopeful patience and walk safely upon your Holy Way, in the power of your Spirit given to us through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

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*Those who prefer to not drink from the chalice (common cup) are asked to indicate that to the administrator of the host. The host will be intincted (dipped) for you*

**THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

**OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good tidings to the afflicted. *Isaiah 61:1*

♪ OFFERTORY HYMN

“Christ in Genesis and Exodus”

The Prayer over the Gifts:

**God of hope,  
renew in us the joy of your salvation and  
make us a living sacrifice to you, for the sake  
of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

Eucharistic Prayer #2 Pages 196-197

The Lord’s Prayer Page 211

The Breaking of the Bread #5 Page 212

♪ COMMUNION HYMN

**INSTRUMENTAL**

The Prayer after Communion:  
**Merciful God,  
may this eucharist free us from our sins, fill  
us with unending joy, and prepare us for the  
birthday of our Saviour. We ask this in the  
name of Jesus Christ, who is Lord now and  
for ever. Amen**

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**THE BLESSING**

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**DISMISSAL SONG** “Send Us Out”

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Today**

√ We welcome all visiting with us today, and invite you to stay for the shared lunch.

9:30a.m. – **Choir Practice**

**This Week**

√ Tuesday

9:00 a.m. – **Coffee Club:** Cards, crafts and conversation. Come and bring friends. All welcome.

10:00a.m. – **Bible Study**

12:00p.m. – **Coffee Club Christmas Dinner**

7:30p.m. – **Scout Group Committee Meeting**

3:00p.m. – **Farraline Home Christmas Party**

√ Wednesday –

9:30-11:30a.m. – **Parents & Tots**

6:00p.m. – **Vestry/Parish Life Pot Luck**

√ Friday

6:30-8:00p.m. – **Advent Movie 4**

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