

## 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 today. Thank You

**Bible Study:** Tuesday afternoon Bible Study will start up in the New Year on January 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm.

**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 today. The cookies will be packaged after the 10:30 service and help would be appreciated.

FOR A CHILD HAS  
BEEN BORN FOR US.



ASON GIVEN FOR US.  
I S A I A H 9:6

### Special Ministries Next Saturday December 24, 2016

5:00 PM

First Lesson: Bob Boucher  
Second Lesson: Peggy Boucher  
Layreaders: Nancy Wiggins  
Jim Sparks  
Prayer Desk: Carolyn Pellow  
Sidespersons: Patty Flemming  
Sylvia Woodcock  
Chancel: Cathy Lutes  
Wendy Smith

10:00 PM

First Lesson: Andy Gunter  
Second Lesson: Volunteer  
Layreaders: Ken Brien  
Jeffrey Mills  
Prayer Desk: Carolyn Pellow  
Sidespersons: Volunteers  
Counters: Jeffrey Mills  
Volunteer  
Chancel Guild: Carolyn Pellow

### Special Ministries Next Sunday December 25, 2016

10:00 AM

Lessons: Nancy Robinson  
Layreader: Faith Cormier  
Chancel Guild: Nancy Robinson

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Parish Wardens: Ken Brien, Bob Boucher  
Parish Treasurer: Carl Dunphy



## Fourth Sunday In Advent

Sunday, December 18, 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 18, 2016

8:30 AM

Layreader: Faith Cormier

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

#### The Holy Eucharist

The Gathering of the Community

#### ♪♪ Hymn

“Christ is Coming! Lift Your Eyes!”

Greeting Page 185

♪♪ “As We Are Gathered”

#### Advent Candle Lighting Prayers (see pamphlet)

♪♪ Advent Song “Love, Love, Love”

Collect for Purity (All) Page 185

Collect: *All together, please*

**Heavenly Father,**  
**who chose the Virgin Mary, full of grace, to be the mother of our Lord and Saviour, now fill us with your grace, that we in all things may embrace your will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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 7:10-16 OT Page 636

Following the reading of each lesson:

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80:1-7,16-18 BAS Pages 812-813

📖 2nd Lesson: Romans 1:1-7 NT Page 152

♪♪ Gradual Hymn HB 112

“Once in Royal David's City”

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.

Children's Story

🎵 Children's Hymn HB 420

"Gentle Mary Laid Her Child"

Children can leave with Maria for Sunday School.

Sermon

The Creed

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**The Prayers of the People**

Loving God, as we approach the day of Christ's birth help us to throw wide the doors of our hearts in preparation. Help us to sense the importance of what happened so long ago when Mary was visited by the angel Gabriel, to remember the words of the angels and the prophets and the teachers of old, and to celebrate all the promises that you made through them. Help us to take firm hold of the meaning of all these things and to know in the depths of our being that even now you are seeking to work in us and through us to fulfill the promises you have made...

**Lord hear our prayer...**

Lord – may this season of Advent be for us and for those around us a season of preparation. May it be a season of hope and

of love and of joy, may it be a time of true sharing and of rejoicing in all the earth...

**Lord hear our prayer...**

We pray too, O God for the children of our world- and all those of tender faith, all those who have no home to call their home, all those who are hungry and thirsty. Bless we pray the innocent of the earth and all those who trust in you. Bless the humble and the powerless and bring down from their thrones those who are full of pride and those who are indifferent...

**Lord hear our prayer...**

We pray for the sick, the shut-in's and the lonely who have only memories of Christmas past, we remember especially...

**Lord hear our prayer...**

Heavenly Father give us who live in this temporal abode the assurance and confidence that you embrace all who have died and rest in your loving embrace, we remember...

**Lord hear our prayer...**

We ask these things O God, with hope and praise in our hearts, our minds, and our souls, through Christ Jesus our Lord, **Amen.**

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The Peace Page 192

Announcements

**The Celebration of the Eucharist  
Offertory Sentence**

A virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel: God with us. *Matthew 1:23*

🎵 Offertory Hymn HB 428

"Every Star Shall Sing a Carol"

The Prayer over the Gifts:

**Gracious God,  
by the power of the Spirit who sanctified the mother of your Son, make holy all we offer you this day. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen**

**The Great Thanksgiving**

Eucharistic Prayer #3 Pages 198-200  
Proper Preface, Advent Page 219  
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

🎵 FINAL HYMN

"Before the Starry Universe"

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DISMISSAL SONG "Send Us Out"

**New Years Eve Celebration  
6:00pm**

**There will be a Holy Eucharist Service on New Years Eve, followed by a shared meal. Everyone is welcome to attend!**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Today**

√ We welcome all visiting with us today, and invite you to stay for coffee and fellowship.

9:30a.m. – **Choir Practice**

**This Week**

√ Tuesday

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

√ Wednesday

9:30-11:30a.m. – **Parents & Tots**

√ Saturday – **Christmas Eve Services**

5:00p.m. – **Family Service**

10:00p.m. – **Late Service**

**Services and Readings for Next Saturday:  
December 24, 2016  
Christmas Eve (Year A)**

5:00pm. : Holy Eucharist

Isaiah 9:2-7 OT Page 638

Psalms 96 BAS Page 834

Titus 2:11-14 NT Page 215

Luke 2:1-14, (15-20) NT Page 58

10:00pm. : Holy Eucharist

Isaiah 62:6-12 OT Page 693

Psalms 97 BAS Page 835

Titus 3:4-7 OT Page 215

Luke 2: (1-7),8-20 NT Page 58

**Services and Readings for Next Sunday:  
December 25, 2016  
Christmas Day (Year A)**

10:00am. : Holy Eucharist

Isaiah 52:7-10 OT Page 683

Psalms 98 BAS Page 836

Hebrews 1:1-4, (5-12) NT Page 218

John 1:1-14 NT Page 91-92