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 table in the Narthex, 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 & offering on the plate no later than Sunday, December 17th. Thank You

Christmas Lessons & Carols: This will be held during today's 10:30 am service.

Shared Lunch & Advent Crafts: Next Sunday there will be a shared lunch, followed by Advent crafts for both adults & children.

Christmas Carolling: This will be held Saturday, December 16, beginning at 1pm.

Cathedral Ministry: St. Margaret's will be giving bags of cookies again this year for the Cathedral outreach ministry. We will need 27 doz. cookies & they need to be in by Sunday, Dec. 17th when they will be bagged during the ACW meeting.

2017 Advent Series with Bishop Bill Hockin and Dr. Barry Craig: entitled A Christmas Reset — Finding the DNA of the Holiday Season. Talks take place at the Crowne Plaza, Queen Street, Fredericton on Mondays at 12:15. This week's talk, Dec.11th, "People Need Not Apply"

Annual Reports for AGM: All annual reports are to be sent by January 14, 2018. Email address to follow at a later date.

Special Ministries Next Sunday December 17, 2017

8:30 AM

Layreader: Nancy Robinson

10:30 AM

First Lesson: Sandy McCarty Second Lesson: Brian McCarty Layreaders: Peggy Boucher

Carolyn Pellow

Prayer Desk: Volunteer

Sidespersons: Georgina Terry

Volunteer

Counters: Andrew Gunter

Ken Brien

Chancel Guild: Cathy Lutes Sunday School: Cynthia Noble

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Services and Readings for Next Sunday: December 17, 2017 3rd of Advent (Year B)

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

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 OT Pages 691-692
Psalm 126 BAS Page 885
1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24 NT Pages 91 & 92
John 1: 6-8, 19-28 NT Pages 91 & 92



Second Sunday In Advent

Sunday, December 10, 2017

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

Special Ministries Today December 10, 2017

8:30 AM

Layreader: Jeffrey Mills

10:30 AM

First Lesson: Volunteer Second Lesson: Volunteer Layreaders: Ken Brien

Jim Sparks

Prayer Desk: Volunteer Sidespersons: Wendy Chase

Volunteer

Counters: Una Chandra

Sandy McCarty

Chancel Guild: Peggy Boucher Sunday School: Cynthia Noble

The Holy Eucharist

The Gathering of the Community

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Advent Candle Lighting Prayers (see pamphlet)

Collect: All together, please

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

The Proclamation of the Word

□ 1st Lesson: Isaiah 40:1-11

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Following the reading of each lesson: Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 85: 1-2, 8-13 BAS Pages 818-819

2nd Lesson: 2 Peter 3: 8-15a

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□ Holy Gospel: Mark 1: 1-8

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Reader: The Lord be with you. People: **And also with you.**

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus

Christ according to St. Mark.

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.

Sermon

The Creed

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Gracious God, through your messengers the prophets you have called your people to prepare the way of the Lord and to welcome the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God: Speak tenderly to your people that we may wait for and hasten the coming day, saying:

Mercy and truth have met together;

righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Indwelling God, you have baptized your Church with the Holy Spirit: Inspire us to lead lives of holiness and godliness as we prepare for new heavens and a new earth, that as Christ comes he finds us to be a people of peace and justice.

Mercy and truth have met together;

righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Holy and Mighty One, open the eyes and ears of the leaders of all the nations that they may listen to what the Lord God is saying, for you are speaking peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

Mercy and truth have met together;

righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Compassionate One, look upon the needs of all humanity: Feed your flock like a shepherd; gather the lambs in your arms and carry them in your bosom, gently leading the mother sheep, that all may know the comfort of your strength.

Mercy and truth have met together;

righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Ever-present God, lift up your voice with power to herald good tidings to the people of this community to cast out all fear as we listen for the happy cry of your coming salvation.

Mercy and truth have met together;

righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Glorious One, come with might in your divine recompense to reveal your glory to all who look to you in hope, as we pray especially for_.

Accept our glad tidings for those who offer you their gracious thanksgivings, especially for__.

Bring into your everlasting reign those who have died, especially.....

Mercy and truth have met together;

righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Look upon your creation and comfort your people, O Holy One: Let every valley be lifted up and every mountain and hill be made low; let the uneven ground become level and the rough places a plain, that all people may see the revelation of the glory of God, in the power of the Holy Spirit, 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

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. All flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Luke 3:4,6

The Prayer over the Gifts:
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

The Great Thanksgiving

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The Prayer after Communion:

Faithful God.

We thank you for feeding us with this heavenly banquet.

Help us always to hear the prophets call to turn our hearts to you;

in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today

 $\sqrt{}$ We welcome all visiting with us today, and invite you to stay for coffee and conversation.

12:45p.m. – Advent Craft Session

This Week

√ Tuesday

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

1:30p.m. – **Bible Study:** 1,2,3 John & Jude

√ Wednesday

9:30-11:30a.m. – **Parents & Tots**

√ Saturday

1:00p.m. - Carolling

The Vestry would like to thank
Freddie Nason,
a member of Tuesday morning coffee club,
for decorating our Christmas Tree.