

## 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 17<sup>th</sup>. Thank You

**Shared Lunch & Advent Crafts:** Today 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 next Sunday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> 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. 11<sup>th</sup>, "Perfect 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.

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

## 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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Parish Treasurer: Jeffrey Mills

### Services and Readings for Next Sunday: December 17, 2017 3<sup>rd</sup> 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
Psalms 126	BAS Page 885
1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24	NT Page 205
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  
10:30am: Holy Eucharist: BAS Page 185

### Special Ministries Today December 10, 2017

8:30 AM  
Layreader: Jeffrey Mills  
10:30 AM  
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

### ♪♪ Hymn

"Christ is Coming! Lift your Eyes!"

Greeting

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♪♪ "As We Are Gathered"

The Bidding Prayer – Nancy Wiggins

Children's Story and Advent Wreath

### Advent Candle Lighting Prayers (see pamphlet)

### ♪♪ Advent Song

"Light a Candle, Bright and Tall" vs 2

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**

### ♪♪ Hymn HB 390

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

📖 **First Lesson:** Isaiah 40:1-10 – Ken Brien

OT Page 667

To God's people in exile in a faraway land, the prophet Isaiah announce good news: God is coming back, and bringing the exiles home!

♪♪ **Choir** – "Prepare Us Lord"

**Second Lesson:** Jeremiah 23:5-6 – Jim Sparks  
OT Page 725

The prophet Jeremiah offers hope for a righteous branch, a just king who is yet to come.

♪♪ **Choir** – “The King Shall Come”

**Third Lesson:** Isaiah 35:1-10 – Carolyn Pellow  
OT Page 663

The prophet proclaims that God will come and save us.

♪♪ **Hymn** “Waiting for our Lord”

**Fourth Lesson:** Isaiah 7:10-15 – Cathy Lutes  
OT Page 636

God promises that a child shall be conceived who will be known as “God with us.”

♪♪ **Hymn** HB 395

“Hark the Glad Sound”

**Fifth Lesson:** Isaiah 11:1-9 – Bob Boucher  
OT Pages 640-641

The Spirit of the Lord will rest upon the Holy One.

♪♪ **Hymn** “People Look East”

**Sixth Lesson:** Zephaniah 3:14-17 – Geoffrey Mtamakaya  
OT Page 877

The Lord will be among us; we are summoned to rejoice and sing.

♪♪ **Choir** – “I Quiet Myself in Your Love”

**Holy Gospel:** Mark 1:1-8

NT Page 34

John the Baptist prepares the way for the Lord.

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.**

Children can leave with Cynthia for Sunday School.

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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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Announcements

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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**

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### 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*

♪♪ **Offertory Hymn** HB 391

“On Jordan’s Bank”

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

Eucharistic Prayer #3 Pages 198-200

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The Lord’s Prayer Page 211

The Breaking of the Bread #5 Page 212

#### ♪♪ **Communion Hymn**

Instrumental

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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**The Blessing**

♪♪ **Final Hymn** HB 393

“Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending”

**Dismissal:** Layreader Jim Sparks

**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.

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**

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