

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 General fund. Place the envelope with the slip & money on the plate no later than today. Thank You

Christmas Season Dates & Times to Remember

December 24:

5:00pm- Family-focused Christmas Eve Service
9:00pm-Christmas Eve Service

December 25:

9:30am-Christmas Day Service

December 29:

8:30am & 10:30am-First Sunday of Christmas

December 31

6:00pm-New Year's Eve Shared Supper
7:00pm-New Year's Eve Service

Merry Christmas!!

***The Rector, Wardens & Vestry
would like to wish one and all a
very Merry Christmas and a
Prosperous New Year.
May God Bless you and your
families as you enjoy this
Christmas Season.***

Special Ministries Next Sunday December 29, 2019

8:30 AM
Layreader: Faith Cormier
10:30 AM
Carols & Lessons

Sidespersons: Mary Louise Luck
Christine Trimble
Counters: Jeffery Mills
Nancy Wiggins
Chancel Guild: Carolyn Pellow

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Services and Readings for Next Sunday:

December 29, 2019

1st of Christmas (Year A)

8:30 a.m.: Holy Eucharist
10:30 a.m.: Carols & Lessons

Thanks Again

The Cathedral Outreach Committee thanks the congregation of St. Margaret's for your donations of food & for the cookie gift bags for the Outreach Christmas Party on Dec. 16. There were 65 guests that day & everything was greatly appreciated.



Fourth Sunday In Advent

Sunday, December 22, 2019

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 22, 2019

8:30 AM
Layreader: Faith Cormier
10:30 AM
First Lesson: Betty Ann Sparks
Second Lesson: Carolyn Pellow
Layreaders: Bob Boucher
Jim Sparks
Prayer Desk: Volunteer
Sidespersons: Mary Louise Luck
Christine Trimble
Counters: Dawna O'Hara
Wayne O'hara
Chancel Guild: Peggy Boucher
Sunday School: Martika Boucher
Sun Sch. Assistant: Volunteer

The Holy Eucharist

The Gathering of the Community

♪ Hymn

“Of the Father's Love Begotten”

Greeting

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♪ “As We Are Gathered”

Advent Candle Lighting Prayers (LOVE)

(see overhead)

♪ Advent Song “Light a Candle Bright and Tall”

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

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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

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♪ Gradual Hymn HB 132
“The King of Love”

📖 **Holy Gospel:** Matthew 1: 18-25

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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. 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.**

Sunday School Christmas Presentation

♪ **Children’s Hymn**

“Christ is Coming Lift Your Eyes”

Children can leave with Martika for Sunday school.

Sermon

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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

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

GLUTEN-FREE WAFERS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

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 405

“While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks”

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 HYMNS** CP 91

“People Look East”

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

**Faithful Father,
In this sacrament we receive the promise of salvation. May we, like the Virgin Mary,
be obedient to your will.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen**

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THE BLESSING

♪ **FINAL HYMN** HB 418

“In the Bleak Midwinter”

DISMISSAL Page 215

DISMISSAL SONG “Send Us Out”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today

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

This Week

√ Tuesday

5:00p.m. – **Family-Focused Christmas Eve Service**

9:00p.m. – **Christmas Eve Service**

√ Wednesday

9:30p.m. – **Christmas Day Service**

(All usual activities are postponed until the New Year)

FOR A CHILD HAS
BEEN BORN FOR US.



A SON GIVEN FOR US.
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