

2nd Sunday of Advent

December 7, 2014

8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Book of Common Prayer Page 67

Announcements

Advent Dialogue - We Praise you, O God, for this circle of light that marks our days of preparation for Christ's advent.

As we light the candles kindle within us the fire of your spirit, that we may be light shining in the darkness.

Enlighten us with your grace, that we may welcome others as you have welcomed us.

Grant this through Christ our Lord, whose coming is certain and whose day draws near. Amen.

Collect of the Day (Please stand) B.A.S. Pg. 269

Readings: Isaiah 40: 1 - 11
Psalm 85: 1 - 2, 8 - 13 B.A.S. Pg. 818
2 Peter 3: 8 - 15a
Mark 1: 1 - 8

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Book of Alternative Services Page 185

Opening Hymn: # 108

Advent Dialogue - see 8:30 service

A Candle is Burning: A candle is burning, a candle of peace,
A candle to signal that conflict must cease.
For Jesus is coming to show us the way,
A message of peace humbly laid in the hay.

The Gathering of the Community P. 185

Trisagion: # 693

Collect of the Day (stand) P. 269

Isaiah 40: 1 - 11

Psalm: 85: 1 - 2, 8 - 13 P. 818

2 Peter 3: 8 - 15a

Gospel Acclamation: # 712

Holy Gospel: Mark 1: 1 - 8

Sermon:

Anthem: Waiting for the Promise by Lloyd Larson

The Creed P. 189

Prayers of the People (Stand or kneel)

Confession and Absolution (Stand or Kneel) P. 191

Offertory Hymn: # 111

Prayer over the Gifts (celebrant) P. 270

Eucharistic Prayer (Stand or kneel)

Sanctus: # 735

The Lord's Prayer (wording found in the first prayer) P. 211

The Breaking of the Bread P. 212

Agnus Dei: # 701

All baptized Christians may receive the Holy Eucharist.

Communion Hymn: # 66

Ablutions Hymn: Holy Light (insert)

Prayer after Communion (Stand) P. 270

Doxology P. 214

Benediction

Recessional Hymn: # 393

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Our Ministers for today:

Host: Elizabeth Whalley

Greeters: 8:30: Jim Green

10:30: Al & Marilyn Chisholm

Readers: 8:30 a.m. - Jim Green Larry Gorst

10:30 a.m. - Bruce Adderley, Georgina Adderley

Prayers of the People: Eleanor Blair

Servers: 8:30 - Judy Mostow

10:30 a.m. - Bruce Adderley.

Eucharistic Assistants: 8:30 Larry Gorst

10:30: Bruce Adderley, Elizabeth Mickelson, Erminie Reid

Chancel Guild: Cindi Roy, Karen Ristanen

Coffee Hosts: Audrey & Neil Love

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for Kinkizi, (Uganda), and The Rt Rev. Dan Zoreka.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for Christ Church, North Bay and the Rev. Marie Loewen & The Rev. Canon Murray Tipping (Hon.).

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Elsie, Mary & Michael Jr. MacNeil, Douglas, Susan, Dennis, Quinne, & Grant Mason, Kathleen McDonald, Robert & Gloria MccKay.

Calendar for the Week:

Thurs. Dec 11

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Fri. Dec. 12

10:00 a.m. Craft Group

Sat. Dec. 13

9:30 a.m. Decorate for Christmas

We would like to welcome our Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Dr. Stephen Andrews to our 8:30 service this morning.

Christmas Services - There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board at the back of the church for Christmas Eve, Dec. 28 and Jan. 4 services. Please add your name for reading, EA, greeting, etc. where you are able. Thank you. Erminie.

Designated Donations: There are envelopes available for individuals wishing to make designated donations to St. John's located at the back of the church. They are for gifts to the various funds at St. John's. As Christmas approaches please consider giving a gift to one of these funds in the name of a family member or friend.

2015 Church Calendars have arrived and are available from Liz Whalley for \$7.

Secret Santa - Each year St. John's contributes to the Secret Santa project of Elevate NWO (formerly AIDS Thunder Bay) by donating gifts for a family. This year our family consists of a 51 yr old male, a 49 yr old female and a 2 yr old male child. When asked about their wish list, the family suggested gift cards for Intercity Mall or other "surprise presents". The donation basket is at the back of the church. If you are interested in contributing to a gift certificate please contact Marg Boone (325-2184 or mboone@tbaytel.net).

St. John's Cupboard is now receiving some support from RFDA, mostly in the form of breads, cereals, occasional fresh produce, and incidental items. We continue to need **YOUR SUPPORT** in the form of canned tuna, meat, vegetables and fruit or cash donations to allow the Cupboard's supply purchasers to buy these items in quantity when they are on sale will be appreciated. Thank you for your support of this worthwhile local mission.

Flowers for the altar - If you would like to put flowers on the altar during Advent or donate to help cover the cost of the flowers for the Christmas altar please talk to Audrey Love at 344-4955. Audrey also needs to have the correct names for the bulletin.

The Dec. Issues of our newsletter, **The Lamplighter**, and the **Anglican Journal & The Algoma Anglican** are available at the back of the church. If you do not receive your by mail or e-mail and would like one, please help yourself.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Pot Pie Fundraiser. A total of 878 pot pies were made. 839 were sold prior to the Christmas Tea that generated \$3356 sales, expenses were \$1195.17 resulting in a net income of \$2160.23. The remaining pot pies were sold at the Tea. The St. John's Pot Pie fundraiser was a great success with excellent fellowship. We are looking forward to seeing everyone in the kitchen in mid-March 2015 for our next Pot Pie Party.

Neighbourhood News

Blessings in a Backpack: a partnership with Our Kids Count and RFDA providing backpacks filled with food for students to take home each Friday. The backpacks are returned empty on Monday. \$100 feeds a child on weekends for the full year. You can help by making a donation to support this program. Donate @ www.blessingsinabackpack.ca and click City of Thunder Bay to ensure donation come here. or make cheques payable to: Blessings in a Backpack, 133 Coldstream Ave., Toronto, ON M5N 1X7.

Immanuel Lutheran Church (Pearl & Banning St.) is presenting their Cantata and St. Lucia procession on Dec. 14 at 7 p.m.

Please see the posters on the bulletin board for details of the Anglican-Lutheran Youth Drop-In and the Youth Alpha course at St. Paul's Anglican Church.

Next Sunday - Third Sunday in Advent

Scripture Readings:

Isaiah : 61: 1 - 4, 8 - 14

Psalms 126: 1 - 2, 8 - 13

1 Thessalonians 5: 16 - 24

John 1: 6 - 8, 19 - 28

Parish Statistics (last week):

8:30: 17

10:30: 36

Total: 53

Parochial: EOP: \$1411.43 Givings: \$ 1505.00 Total: \$1505.43

Required to meet our budget: \$3320.80

In order to receive a visit when you are admitted to hospital please do these two things. 1. Ask the hospital staff to verify that your religious designation is correct on your hospital records, and 2. Have a family member or friend notify the parish office that you are in hospital and would appreciate a visit.

Holy Light

**1.Holy light, still burning bright, presence of God that frees us.
Lift the shadows from our soul; shine through our life, Lord Jesus
Shine through our life, Lord Jesus.**

**2.Holy fire, our heart's desire, dance of our life, pursue us.
Mend our frozen broken hearts; spirit of God, renew us.
Spirit of God, renew us.**

**3.Holy bread, our souls are fed, cup of love invite us.
All are welcome at the feast; bread of the world unite us.
Bread of the world unite us. Bread of the world unite us.**