

1st Sunday of Advent**November 30, 2014****8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Book of Common Prayer Page 67**

Announcements

Collect of the Day (Please stand) B.A.S. Pg. 268

Readings: Isaiah 64: 1 - 9
 Psalm 80: 1 - 7, 16 - 18 B.A.S. Pg. 812
 Corinthians 1: 3 - 9
 Mark 13: 24 - 37

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Book of Alternative Services Page 185**Opening Hymn: # 98**

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

As we light the first candle on this wreath, rouse us from sleep, that we may be ready to greet our Lord when he comes with all the saints and angels.

Enlighten us with your grace, and prepare our hearts to welcome him with joy.

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

A Candle is Burning: A candle is burning, a flame warm and bright,
 A candle of hope in November's dark night.
 While angels sing blessings from Heaven's starry sky,
 Our hearts we prepare now for Jesus is nigh.

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Isaiah 64: 1 - 9
 Psalm: 80: 1 - 7, 16 - 18 P. 812
 Corinthians 1: 3 - 9

Gospel Acclamation: # 712

Holy Gospel: Mark 13: 24 - 37

Sermon:

Anthem: Pass the Advent Light Arranged by Patrick M. Liebergen

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Confession and Absolution (Stand or Kneel) P. 191

Offertory Hymn: As the Deer (insert)

Prayer over the Gifts (celebrant) P. 269

Eucharistic Prayer (Stand or kneel)

Sanctus: # 735

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Agnus Dei: # 701

All baptized Christians may receive the Holy Eucharist.

Communion Hymn: # 445**Ablutions Hymn: # 69**

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Benediction

Recessional Hymn: # 114**Announcements****Our Ministers for today:**

Host: Marilyn Chisholm

Greeters: 8:30: Jim Green

10:30: Sharon & Dale Sparkes

Readers: 8:30 a.m. - Laurie Hardman, Irene Humby

10:30 a.m. - Eleanor Blair, Dale Sparkes

Prayers of the People: Brenda O'Neill

Servers: 8:30 - Judy Mostow

10:30 a.m. - Bruce Adderley.

Eucharistic Assistants: 8:30 Larry Gorst

10:30: Ann Osborn-Seyffert, Audrey Love, Dale Sparkes

Chancel Guild: Marg Boone, Lois Colpitts

Coffee Hosts: Mary Ripley, Grace Dawson, Audrey & Neil Love

Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Falkland Islands (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury), and The Rt Rev Stephen Venner.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for St. Mark's, Heyden and Mr Henry Gaines, Lay Pastor.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Doris Loon, Lesley & Karen Loutitt/Isaac, Neil & Audrey Love, and Paul Love.

A warm welcome back to Kayla, Chris, and Mike who are joining our choir for the Advent season.

Calendar for the Week:

Thurs. Dec 4

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Fri. Dec. 5

10:00 a.m. Craft Group

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.

Thanks to everyone who helped with the **Christmas Tea** - it was a great success. The preliminary count of the amount raised is \$3,277.25 and does not include the money raised by the earlier sale of pot pies. The winners of the baskets are: Baron of Beef - Patrick Fenlon and Peggy Michels, Turkey basket - Ann Kossar, and Throw gift basket - Audrey Love. Congratulations to all!

Thanks to everyone who helped with the **Pot Pie Fundraiser**. A total of 878 pot pies were sold prior to the Christmas Tea generating \$3356 in sales, expenses were \$1195.77, resulting in a net income of \$2160.23. The remaining pies were sold at the Tea. This 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.

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).

Forward Day by Day: is a devotional guide which provides daily scripture readings with related stories by the author. It is available in regular and large print format at a cost of \$5 for regular and \$10 for large print. Our order for 2015 will be placed in Nov. Please contact Audrey Love at 344 - 4955 if you would like to place an order.

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.

Advent Book Study - Our study is scheduled to start on Monday, Dec. 1 in the afternoon. Please contact The Rev. Gail Clifton @ 768 - 9865 or gailx2@shaw.ca for details re time and place if you are interested.

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.

Neighbourhood News

Choral Music for Advent - Today - presented by The Thunder Bay Community Choir at 4:00 p.m. at Trinity United Church. See the notice on the bulletin board for further details.

Greek Orthodox Ladies' Philoptochos Society of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church will be holding their Annual Christmas Tea on Nov. 30 1 - 4 p.m. See the poster on the bulletin board for details.

Carol Sing-along - a fund raiser for the Dew Drop Inn and the RFDA on Friday, Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m. with Lakeview & Friends Choir and ThunderBrass and Polyphony at Lakeview Presbyterian Church. Come - sing, listen and delight in this extravaganza of carols and enjoy hot cider and cookies. Donation at the door.

The Lakehead Choral Group will present "The Spirit of Christmas" on Wed. Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Agnes Church, located at the corner of Mary & Brown st. Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door and are available from Rollason Flowers, Music World Academy, Finnish Bookstore/Kitchen Nook and all members.

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.

As the Deer

- 1. As the deer pants for the water,
so my soul longs after You.
You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship You.**

CHORUS:

**You alone are my strength, my shield,
To You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire
And I long to worship You.**

- 2. I want You more than gold or silver,
only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy-giver
and the apple of my eye.**

CHORUS:

- 3. You're my Friend and You are my Brother,
even though You are a King.
I love You more than any other,
so much more than anything.**

CHORUS:

Next Sunday - Second Sunday in Advent

Scripture Readings:

Isaiah 40: 1 - 11

Psalm 85: 1 - 2, 8 - 13

2 Peter 3: 8 - 15a

Mark 1: 1 - 8

Parish Statistics (last week):

8:30: 11

10:30: 50

Total: 61

Parochial: EOP: \$1411.43 Givings: \$ 1351.20 Total: \$2762.63

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.