

### Lighting the Candle of Joy

*Leader:* Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

**ALL:** Jesus is the light of the world, a light no darkness can extinguish.

*Leader:* We light the candle of peace as we joyfully wait for the coming of Jesus

*The candle is lit.*

*Leader:* Come, Lord Jesus, into our world, into our church, into our homes

**ALL:** Come, Lord Jesus, quickly come!

### Notes from our Envelopes Secretary

**2020 Envelopes:** Please pick up your new box of envelopes at the back of the church.

**2020 Commitment Cards:** If you donate regularly by envelopes or PAR (pre-authorized remittance) please fill out a commitment card and drop it off in the box at the back of the church as soon as possible. Any questions can be directed to Sara Cardona, Envelope Secretary at (343) 550-1567 or via email: [envelopesecretary@stpaulsalmonte.ca](mailto:envelopesecretary@stpaulsalmonte.ca).

Thank you very much for your generosity and consideration.

**The Counters** would appreciate your assistance too: due to new banking deposit procedures, the counters would greatly appreciate it if cheques and dollar bills are not folded when money is inserted in envelopes or on the plate.

Thank you!



**PWRDF World of Gifts** Looking for a unique, meaningful Christmas gift for a friend or family member? Why not shop at PWRDF's World of Gifts. You can make a world of difference by making a gift at PWRDF's online store. [pwrdf.org/get-involved/shop-pwrdfs-world-of-gifts/](http://pwrdf.org/get-involved/shop-pwrdfs-world-of-gifts/)

**Open Table:** The January meeting will take place on Friday, January 3. It's Movie Night (showing The Way)! beginning at 7 p.m.

## Welcome to

# St. Paul's Anglican Church, Almonte

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*A full list of contacts for St Paul's can be found at the back of the church.*



### Advent 3

**December 15, 2019**

#### **8:30 a.m. Service**

**Greeters:** Lois Rochon

**Reader:** Lynda Bennett

#### **10:30 a.m. Service**

**Greeters:** Karen Luyendyk and Roger Menard

**Server/Chalice:** Katrina Ayling

**Readers:** Ron Ayling and Doris Wionzek

**Prayers:** Michael Mavis

**Music Director:** Wendy Shaw

**Organist:** John Black

**Accompanists:** Dan Berg, Dave Newlands, Doris Wionzek

*We ask that you please refrain from wearing perfumes or colognes*

We gather today on the traditional and unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnabe Nation. May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.

## Readings for today

Isaiah 35: 1-10 ~ Psalm 146: 5-10 ~ James 5: 7-10 ~ Matthew 11: 2-11

## Collect for the Day

God of power and mercy, you call us once again to celebrate the coming of your Son. Remove those things which hinder love of you, that when he comes, he may find us waiting in awe and wonder for him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**We pray for Richard Beaubien**, recently deceased, and for his family and friends as they grieve his loss.

## 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion

According to the *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP), beginning on p.67.

## 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

According to *The Book of Alternative Services* with Eucharistic Prayer 2.

The words of the liturgy, the songs and hymns are projected on the screen at the front of the church.

## Readings for Next Week

Isaiah 7:10-16 ~ Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19 ~ Romans 1:1-7 ~ Matthew 1:18-25

## THIS COMING WEEK AT ST PAUL'S

<b>Tuesday</b>	8:30 a.m.	<b>Centering Prayer Group</b>
	1:00 p.m.	<b>Contemplative Painting, Drawing and Mixed Media</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	2:00 p.m.	<b>Food Cupboard</b>
	11:30 a.m..	<b>CFCL potluck lunch</b>
	7:00 p.m.	<b>Parish Council meeting</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	10:00 a.m.	<b>Communion at Almonte Country Haven</b>
	1:00 p.m.	<b>Affinity Photo (CFCL)</b>
	4:15 p.m.	<b>Music Team Practice</b>
<b>Friday</b>	10:30 a.m.	<b>Yoga</b>
	1:00 p.m.	<b>Contemplative Photography</b>
	2:00 p.m.	<b>Communion at the Rosamund Wing, AGH</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	9:30 a.m.	<b>Music Team Practice</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	8:30 a.m.	<b>Holy Communion – *BCP (spoken)</b>
	10:30 a.m.	<b>Advent Lessons and Carols</b>

\*BCP=Book of Common Prayer BAS = Book of Alternate Services  
BSS = Supplement to the BAS

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Advent Lessons and Carols – next Sunday at 10:30 a.m.** Followed by a time of fellowship over coffee/tea and Christmas treats in the Hall. Please join us!

**Communion in the community this week.** Rev. Jonathon will lead communion services at Almonte County Haven (Thursday at 10 am) and the Rosamund Wing, Almonte General Hospital (Friday, 2pm). All are welcome to join him in this important community ministry.

**Ministry of Tourtieres:** thank you to everyone who rolled, mixed, baked, sold and bought St Paul's tourtieres this year. We served the wider community, enjoyed the friendship of fellow Holy Rollers and, after expenses, brought in \$5455.52!  
- Ron Ayling

**Christmas Cards** designed by members of the Centre for Creative Living are available for purchase in the church foyer for \$5.00 each. If you wish to order a number of a particular one (5 for \$20), please contact Sue Evans at 613-721-0033 or [cfcl@stpaulsalmonte.ca](mailto:cfcl@stpaulsalmonte.ca).\*\* All proceeds go to the church.

**COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER: 12 noon Christmas Day**, with carol singing at 11:30 am (donations to the Food Bank welcome). For information, reservations or to book a ride, please call the church office at 613-256-1771.  
**PLEASE see the Sign Up sheets at the back of the church** – we need your assistance to share hospitality with others on Christmas Day!



**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS!** If you wish to sponsor memorial flowers to decorate the church this Christmas, please contact Joan Scott (613) 315-3771 or [k.jscott1303@gmail.com](mailto:k.jscott1303@gmail.com)

**Coffee House:** the event planned for December 27 has been cancelled. See you all on the last Friday in January!

**St. Paul's PRAYER CALENDAR.** The Prayer Calendar for December is available online and at the back of the church.  
*Please only take a paper copy if you do not have access to the internet.*