

Lighting the Candle of Peace

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!

Advent resources on line:

Advent (Wikipedia): everything there is to know about the season

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Advent>

Advent 2019 Daily Reflections (Anglican Diocese of Vancouver): sign up to received daily email reflections

<https://www.vancouver.anglican.ca/diocesan-resources/2019-advent-calendar>

Buy Less Christmas Shopping Guide for All Ages (Advent UnWrapped, United Church of Canada)

https://www.united-church.ca/sites/default/files/buy_less_shopping_guide.pdf

Hope, peace, joy and love: Advent Reflections (PWRDF)

<https://pwrdf.org/get-involved/advent2019/>

FINAL REMINDER: Bring Joy to Vulnerable Adults this Christmas support the Lanark County Food Bank by providing Christmas stockings filled with toiletries, where the focus is on adults and those living alone, or those who give everything, so their kids can have a joyful day! Mark stockings **HIS** or **HERS** - **Deliver to 5 Allan, CP from Nov. 16 - Dec. 13.**



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/

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 2

December 8, 2019

8:30 a.m. Service

Greeters: Barbara Blair and Irene Emig

Reader: Jim Blair

10:30 a.m. Service

Greeters: Katrina and Ron Ayling

Server/Chalice: David McCreery

Readers: Judith Senior and Inez McCreery

Prayers: Dan Berg

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 2: 1-5 ~ Psalm 72: 1-7 & 18-19 ~ Romans 13: 11-14 ~ Matthew 24:36-44

Collect for the Day

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.

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

THIS COMING WEEK AT ST PAUL'S

Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Centering Prayer Group
	1:00 p.m.	Contemplative Painting, Drawing and Mixed Media
Wednesday	2:00 p.m.	Food Cupboard
	9:30 a.m.	Feldenkrais movement – Discovery series
	1:30 p.m.	Contemplative Writing
Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Be Still My Soul
	1:00 p.m.	Affinity Photo (CFCL)
	4:15 p.m.	Music Team Practice
Friday	10:30 a.m.	Yoga
Sunday	1:00 p.m.	Contemplative Photography
	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion – *BCP (spoken)
	10:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist – *BAS (with music)

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Be Still My Soul in Advent

Wednesday, December 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Be welcome to a time of quiet music, readings and prayers to sooth the soul.

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.** 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!

A BIG Thank You from Rev. Jonathon to those who provided desserts for last Tuesday Friendship Luncheon at the United Church!

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



Almonte Service Clubs Canned Food Drive
in support of the Christmas Hamper Program



– 2 weeks only –

Sadly, the Christmas season is often very difficult for those in financial need. The Almonte Clubs purchase all of the items for a full Christmas Dinner, and many other basic food items. These purchased items form the basis for the Hampers. Your donated items will be collected and added to the baskets so that needy local families have even more support at Christmas! Please do your part to support your neighbours, your love will be reflected in every single donated item.

Please leave your canned food contributions in the Food Bank Basket at the back of the church. Thank you!

Monetary donations are also welcome.

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.