



St Paul's Anglican Church, Hampton

*Growing spiritually and building community
through discipleship, worship & service*



27 November 2016 Advent 1 Worship Fully

Advent and Christmas begin and end with Jesus. The whole point of this season is to put down our burdens and lift up a song to our God for the gift of His Son. Entering the story of Advent means entering this season with a desire to welcome Jesus and to worship Jesus ... fully.

9:00 am HC – BCP

Music Leader: Glenna

Layreader: Betty

(Isaiah 2:1-5, Psalm 122)

Reader: Pat

(Romans 13:11-14)

Greeters: Pat & Peggy

Chancel: Jean / Shirley

Counters: Jean / Joyce

10:30 am HC – BAS

Music Leader: Christian

Layreader: Heather M

(Psalm 122)

Reader: Stephen

(Romans 13:11-14)

Greeters: Stephen & Barb

A/V: Elaine

Sunday School: Alice / Diana

Youth Sunday School: Betty

Nursery: Tim

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The Advent Wreath

Reader - Today is the first Sunday of Advent.

Today remember and give thanks for gift of Hope given to us in Christ Jesus.

We remember the prophets of Israel who spoke of a savior to come in the line of King David - one who would fulfill God's rule of justice and peace for all nations.

Each year we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus because we believe that he is this promised savior and the hope of the nations.

We light this candle -the candle of hope- to remind us to be alert and to watch for his return.

All - May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Collect: Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Isaiah 2:1-5 (9:00 am Service only)

Isaiah sees a time when Jerusalem, as the location of the temple, will be exalted and attract the nations eager to learn the ways of God as his word issues forth from its precincts. The LORD shall act as judge between the nations, resulting in an everlasting and universal peace. The prophet then urges his readers to "walk in the light of the LORD.

Psalm 122

The Psalmist exults in the joy of finding himself in the house of YAHWEH and within the walls of Jerusalem. Here is the very centre of divine worship and the place of kingly judgment. He ends with an exhortation to pray for its peace.

Romans 13: 11-14

St. Paul reminds the Christians at Rome that as the dark night of this present age is almost over they should cast off the works of darkness and live as in the day. Which means clothing oneself with Jesus and casting off the works of the flesh.

Matthew 24: 36-44

Jesus has foretold the destruction of the Temple. When his followers have asked what indications, there will be that the end of the current era is close, he has answered using contemporary images. He has told them that they will suffer trials, but "the one who endures to the end will be saved

24:36 "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.

24:37 For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.

24:38 For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark,

24:39 and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man.

24:40 Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left.

24:41 Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left.

24:42 Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.

24:43 But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into.

24:44 Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

St Paul's Prayer Corner

Gale A, Jackie Bettle, Don Buchanan, Della Durelle, Loretta Derrah, Barb Glauser, Glen Hopey, Pat Keirstead, Donald Lamb, Dawn Lent, Paul Robichaud, Sue Scribner, Erika Wisted

Mission of the Month: **Seafarer's Mission**

International: Our Companion Diocese of Ho - Bishop Matthias

Diocese: Our Bishop David and his wife Janet & Retired Bishops Harold, George, William and Claude.

Government: Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Brian Gallant, Mayor Ken Chorley and the town council

Deanery: Parish of Renforth-Rev. Eric Phinney & Retired Clergy-Rev. Canon George Ackerley

Parish: Rev. David & Family, Rev. Deacon Deborah Cochran & Family

Dec 4 – Advent 2

9:00 am HC – BAS

Music Leader: Glenna

Layreader: Margaret (*Isa. 11:1-10, Ps. 72:1-17, 18-19*)

Reader: ---- (*Rom. 15:4-13*)

Greeters: ---

Chancel: Dawn / Joyce

Counters: Pat / Clarence

10:30 am HC – BAS

Layreader: Rod (*Ps 72:1-7, 18-19*)

Reader: Myra (*Rom. 15:4-13*)

Greeters: ----

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Sunday School: Shari / Kate

Youth Sunday School: Heather

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Join the Advent Conspiracy and...



Worship Fully: because Advent and Christmas begin and end with Jesus



Spend Less: and free your resources for things that really matter



Give More: More of your presence, more of your time, more of your heart



Love All: The Poor, The Forgotten, and the Marginalized in ways that make a difference