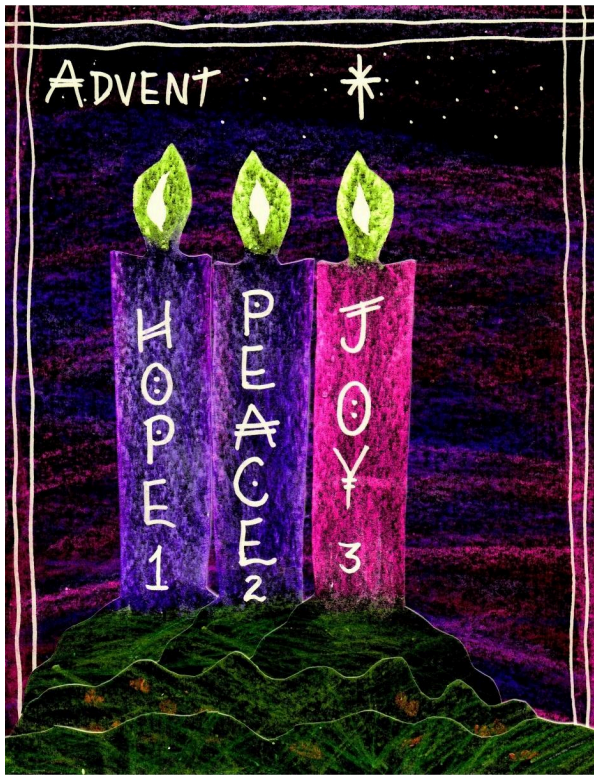


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*st. Timothy's  
Anglican Church*

December 16, 2018  
Advent 3  
10:00 am Communion



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## NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS (Advent 4) Lessons and Carols

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**Welcome!** We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us today. If, at any time during the service, you need help finding your way around please don't hesitate to ask one of the sides persons (or your neighbor) for assistance - we are happy to help. And, immediately after the service we gather for fellowship, coffee and snacks. We would love for you join us.



**Announcements (9:55 am)**



*Lighting of the Advent Wreath*

*Reader 1:* We light the candle of joy to remind us that when Jesus is born in us we have joy and that through him there will be everlasting joy on earth.

*Reader 2:* Joy is like a light shining in a dark place. As we look at this candle we celebrate the joy we find in Jesus Christ.

*Reader 3:* Let us pray: Thank you God for the joy you give us. We ask that as we wait for all your promises to come true, and for Christ to come again, that you would remain present with us. Help us today, and every day to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing your joy with each other. We ask it in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.

*Sing: Light one candle / Natalie Sleath*

Light one candle for hope,  
One bright candle for hope,  
Christ brings hope to everyone,  
He comes, He comes.

*Verse 2* Light one candle for peace ...

*Verse 3* Light one candle for joy  
One bright candle for joy,  
Ev'ry nation will find salvation  
In Bethlehem's baby boy

Light one candle for joy  
One bright candle for joy  
Christ brings joy to everyone,  
He comes, He comes.

**L:** Almighty God

**A:** To you all hearts are open, all desires known,  
and from you no secrets are hidden.

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your  
Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify  
your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Kyrie (sung together):*

#705

Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy  
Christ, have mercy, Christ, have mercy  
Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy  
Lord, have mercy

*Prayer of the Day*

**A: 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**



*Children's Talk*

*(Remain seated)*

Children's Hymn: O Come, Little Children

1. O come, little children; O come, one and all.  
Look into the manger in Bethlehem's stall;  
for there, little children, on this holiest night,  
our God sends from heaven his Son, your delight.
- 2 He lies there before you, asleep in the hay,  
with Mary and Joseph to guard him and pray.  
The wondering shepherds look in at the door,  
and seeing the infant, they kneel and adore.
3. Adore like the shepherds! Your glad voices raise  
with those of the angels who sing in his praise.  
Your chorus will echo from earth to the sky,  
with "Glory to God in his heaven most high."

L: We Hear God's Word:



*1st Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-20*

Old Testament p.877

L: The Word of the Lord      **A: Thanks be to God!**

*(Remain seated)*

*Sequence: Surely It Is God Who Saves Me*

**#361**

*2nd Reading: Philippians 4:4-7*

New Testament p. 198

L: The Word of the Lord      **A: Thanks be to God!**




*(Please stand and face the Gospel reader)*

*Gospel Hymn: Alleluia (Refrain)*

**#715**

L: The Lord be with you.      **A: And also with you.**


L: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**A:**  **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

*Gospel Reading:* **Luke 3:7-18**

New Testament p. 60

**L:** The Gospel of Christ

**A:**  **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

*Gospel Hymn:* Alleluia (Refrain)

**#715**



*Sermon*



*We respond to God's Word*

**L.** Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**A:** **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was  
buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose  
again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand  
of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the  
dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the  
communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of  
the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**All Sing:** Now dear Lord as we pray: Ralph Carmichael    *CCLI Song # 140024*

Now dear Lord as we pray

Take our hearts and minds far away

From the press of the world all around

To Thy throne where grace doth abound

May our lives be transformed by Thy love

May our souls be refreshed from above

At this moment let people ev'rywhere

Join us now as we come to Thee in prayer



*Prayers of the People*

*This week our cycle of prayer for the Church includes:*

**Parish Family:** Margaret & Richard Wiznura, Debbie Wood and their families

**Prayer Requests:** Ida, Martin, Dorrie, Gail, Audrey, Elsie, Jim, Sharon, Randy.

**Baptism:** Heavenly Diamond Tchouakam to be baptized next Sunday

**Diocese:** The retired clergy of the diocese: Will Drake; Terry Dunn; Peter Dyck; Ted Eden; René Faille; Bishop Ken Genge; Donald Gray; Sheila Hagan-Bloxham; Martin Hattersley; Peter Heritage; Patricia Hill; Ed Kostyk.

**Buyé Diocese:** Buyé Synod Office: Bishop Sixbert Macumi, Bishop; Dominique Ciza, Diocesan Secretary; Leonidas Nizigiyimana, Treasurer, Archdeacon of Buyé; Rev. Simion Kinono, Development Officer; the Rev. Nehemie Mbonyimpano, Diocesan Typist.

**Sister Parish of Mbaba in Buyé:** Their Spiritual leader Jeremy Ndikumana and the Christians he leads.

**Aboriginal Community:** Red Earth First Nation Reserve, The Rev. Rita Nawakayas, Rector of St. Stephen's, Red Earth, SK. Saddle Lake Cree Nation.

**Canada:** Diocese of Athabasca; the Rt. Rev. Fraser Lawton, Bishop.

**World:** Kivu - (Rwanda) The Rt. Revd Augustin Ahimana

### *Confession & Absolution*

L: Dear friends in Christ,

God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;

he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table.

Let us confess our sins confident in God's forgiveness.

L: Most merciful God,

**A. we confess that we have sinned against you**

**in thought, word, and deed,**

**by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart;**

**we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,**

**have mercy upon us and forgive us,**

**that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,**

**to the glory of your name. Amen.**

L: Almighty God have mercy upon you,

pardon and deliver you from all your sins,

confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,

and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**A: Amen**



*The Peace*

L: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**A: And also with you.**

*The members of the community, ministers and people, speak the Lord's peace into each other's lives.*

*Offertory Hymn: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (vs.5-6)*

**#89**

*Offerings are given*

*Prayer over the gifts*

**A: God of hope,  
renew in us the joy of your salvation  
and make us a living sacrifice to you,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*We Celebrate Communion*

L: The Lord be with you.

**A: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

**A: We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**A: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

L: Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;  
we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who in the fullness of time came among us in our flesh,  
and opened to us the way of salvation.  
Now we watch for the day when he will come again  
in power and great triumph to judge this world,  
that we, without shame or fear, may rejoice to behold his appearing.  
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and  
archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this  
hymn to proclaim the glory of your name.

*Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy*

**#735**

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, (x2)**

**Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest. (x2)**


**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest. (x2)**

L. We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you  
have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people;  
in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word  
made flesh, Jesus your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be  
incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the  
world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to

stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

L: Therefore we proclaim our hope.

A:  **Dying you destroyed our death,  
Rising you restored our life.  
Lord Jesus come in glory.**

# 736

L: and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

A: Amen.



L: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

A: **Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**



*The Breaking of the Bread*

L: God of promise,  
you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

**A: Happy are those who are called  
to the supper of the Lamb.**

L: The gifts of God for the people of God.

**A: Thanks be to God!**

*Hymn: **Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.***

**#747**

***Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.***

***Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world,***

***Give us your peace, give us your peace.***

*All baptized Christians regardless of denomination are welcome to receive communion. It is our custom to either stand or kneel to receive Communion; the greeters will ensure that communion is offered to those who cannot walk to the rail. Those not wishing to receive communion are welcome to come forward & receive a prayer of blessing.*



*Hymn after Communion : Northern Advent Words and music: Ian Macdonald  
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*Verse 1* November feels so final: the trees so bleak and stark,  
The land so cold and silent, our hearts November dark;  
Like land that waits for sunrise, shivering till the dawn,  
Keeping watch this Northern Advent,  
We sing out life's true song.

*Chorus* We are not the morning, we are not the dawn;  
We are just the land that waits the first light of the sun.

*Verse 2* Winter holds us in her pocket, snow cover life in drifts  
The frost shapes patterns on the glass showing every human rift;  
The poor, the frail, the lonely wait in winter's deep despair,  
Keeping watch this Northern Advent for the birth-cry of your care.

*Chorus* We are not the ...

*Verse 3* In our November endings, winter fears of grief and loss,  
Keep all that's human holy, through your Advent, Birth and Cross.  
Sun's low on the horizon, our nights outlast our days  
Keeping watch this Northern Advent, we await your coming grace.

*Chorus* We are not the ...

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*Anthem:* Glory, Glory, Creation Sings! Kevin Klotzbach

Glory, glory, creation sings.

Jesus, the Saviour is coming

Glory, glory, the angels sing, awaiting the birth of a king.

Glory, glory, the heavens ring.

The Holy of Holies is near to us.

Glory, glory, let the bells all ring.

The greatest gift, God brings.

Jesus Christ is coming.

He brings to us goodness and light.

Salvation to every nation, He brings on the holy night.

A king who will reign forever, the gift of a brand new life.

Sent from our God in heaven, born on this holy night.

Glory, glory.....Creation sings!



*Prayer after communion*

**A: Merciful God,**  
**may this eucharist free us from our sins,**  
**fill us with unending joy,**  
**and prepare us for the birthday of our Saviour.**  
**We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ,**  
**who is Lord now and for ever. Amen**

**L:** Glory to God,

**A: whose power, working in us,**  
**can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.**  
**Glory to God from generation to generation,**  
**in the Church and in Christ Jesus,**  
**for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Blessing*

*Recessional Hymn:* Hark, a Herald Voice Is Sounding

**#108**

**L:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**A: Thanks be to God.**

Choral Amen, Alleluia

*A time of quiet concludes the service. At this time you wish to remain and pray or exit for coffee and fellowship. Following this time of quiet a postlude may be played.*

— *Please join us for fellowship following the service* —

## CALENDAR

Dec 18	Tue	10:30 am	Lynnwood
19	Wed	1:30 pm	Advent Study 4 - <i>The Birth of Jesus</i>
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23	Sun	8:30 am	BCP - Advent 4
		10:00 am	BAS - Advent 4 - <i>Lessons and Carols</i>
24	Mon	5:00 pm	BAS - Christmas Eve Family Service
		9:00 pm	BAS - Christmas Eve Nativity of the Lord
25	Tues	10:00 am	BAS - Christmas Day
30	Sun	8:30 am	BCP - Sunday after Christmas Day
		10:00 am	BAS - First Sunday after Christmas
Jan 06	Sun	8:30 am	BCP -The Epiphany of the Lord
		10:00 am	BAS -The Epiphany of the Lord

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Happy December Birthday to:** Muriel Watterworth, Meghan Ropchan, Bob Lang. *Please see Pamela Graham to add your name to the calendar.*










**Altar Guild News:** Donations of any amount will be greatly appreciated towards the purchase of Poinsettia Plants for our Advent and Christmas services.

**Christmas Hampers** - St. Timothy's will once again be participating in the *Christmas Bureau Hampers Program*. If you wish to contribute to this worthy cause, please make out your cheque to St. Timothy's Parish and mark it "Outreach". Hampers will be delivered in December.

**Family Candleholders & Tinkling Bells:** You are invited to bring a Candle Holders of brass or glass (name on bottom) & Tinkling bells to add to our Chancel display of poinsettias and candles. We will provide a white taper to burn during Christmas Eve services. On Epiphany Sunday, the candle can be taken home as a symbol of Christ's message going into the world. Holders to be here by December 16

**Our Christmas Tree** is accepting gifts of mittens, scarves, touques, baby afghans etc. ACW



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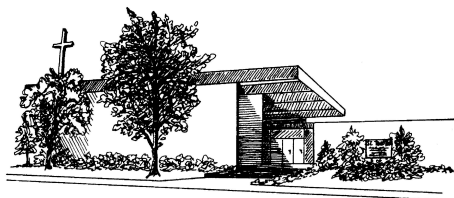
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