

From the Book of Remembrance

Today we remember on their Year's Mind

Marjorie Boston - December 20
Roderick Smith - December 20
Mildred Kettle - December 21
Joyce Collier - December 24
Wendell MacNeil - December 25
William King - December 26

*Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord.
And let light perpetual shine upon them. Amen.*



Fourth Sunday
of Advent

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**Open minds and loving hearts
All are Welcome**

The Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 20, 2020

9:30 am – MORNING PRAYER
BOOK OF ALTERNATIVE SERVICES



A warm welcome to all, especially those who are worshipping with us for the first time this morning. We hope your time here today will be a blessing to you, as your presence is a blessing to us.

St. Margaret of Scotland Mission Statement:

*To be a Christ-centred, mission minded community,
embracing all people across the spectrum of cultural,
ethnic, gender, sexual orientation, ages and
class diversity as full members of the family of God.*

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MORNING PRAYER
9:30 am

OUR GATHERING PRAYERS

Prelude
Welcome
Opening Hymn: Presbyterian Hymnal #16
 - The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came
Opening sentences for Advent page 96 & page 48
Invitatory Antiphon - The kingdom of God is at hand:
 O come, let us worship.
 - Psalm 23: **The kingdom of God is at hand**
 O come, let us worship.

Collect for the Day
Advent Wreath Hymn

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16
Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26
Second Reading: Romans 16:25-27
Gradual Hymn: CP # 132 - Of Eternal Love Begotten
Holy Gospel: Luke 1:26-38
Sermon
Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed page 52

INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS

Offertory Hymn: CP # 17 - Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming
The Prayers from our Book of Remembrance
Intercessions - Advent page 119
The Lord's Prayer page 54
Blessing
Announcements
Sending Hymn: CP #110
 - Sleepers, Wake! a Voice Astounds Us

Postlude
Dismissal

The Advent Candles

A candle is burning, a flame warm and bright;
A candle of **Hope** in December's dark night.
While angels sing blessings from heaven's starry sky
Our hearts we prepare now, for Jesus is nigh.

A candle is burning, a candle of **Peace**;
A candle to signal that conflict must cease.
For Jesus is coming to show us the way;
A message of Peace humbly laid in the hay.

A candle is burning, a candle of **Joy**;
A candle to welcome brave Mary's new boy.
Our hearts fill with wonder and eyes light and glow
As Joy brightens winter like sunshine on snow.

A candle is burning, a candle of Love;
A candle to point us to heaven above.
A baby for Christmas, a wonderful birth;
For Jesus is bringing God's Love to our earth.

Blessing

Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who walk this way with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind; and the blessing, mercy, and grace of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.

Rest Eternal - Let us remember Mike, Krista and Avery in our thoughts and prayers. Mike's mother, Gwendolyn Mary Cuvelier died this past week in Ontario.

Readings for next week: First Sunday After Christmas
Isaiah 61:10-62:3; Psalm 148; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:22-40.