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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ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND ANGLICAN CHURCH

Open minds and loving hearts All are Welcome

The Second Sunday of Advent

December 5, 2021

10:30 am - HOLY EUCHARIST BOOK OF ALTERNATIVE SERVICES



"... and to guide our feet into the way of peace."

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.

All who seek closeness with God are welcome to receive Holy Communion this morning.

HOLY EUCHARIST BOOK OF ALTERNATIVE SERVICES

Lay Ministers: Danny Ray, Brian George

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome to the Parish of St. Margaret of Scotland in the north end of Halifax. We are blessed as we gather together in community for worship.

Hymn: CP 110 - "Sleepers, Wake!" A Voice Astounds Us

Lighting The First Advent Candle Greeting of the Community

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Common Praise #89 (v. 4, 5) O Come O Come Emanuel

Collect

PROCLAMATION

First Reading: Baruch 5:1-9 Naniya Trevors

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Canticle 19 Nilah Trevors

(see bulletin insert)

Response: The dawn from on high shall break upon us.

Second Reading: Philippians 1:3-11 Dale Moffat

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn: CP #106 - There's a Voice in the Wilderness

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Holy Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon

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The Prayers of the People Frank Riggs

The Confession and Absolution page 191

The Peace

CELEBRATION

Offertory Hymn: CP #109 - When the King Shall Come Again

Book of Remembrance & Memorials

For those who have gone before us and noted in our Book of Remembrance we give you thanks. Norman Banfield (December 10), Hazel Butler (December 11).

For the financial offering of your people for the work of your church, we give you thanks.

For the service of your people in workplaces, community organizations and our faith community, we give you thanks. For all your gifts O Lord, we give you thanks.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread

O Lamb of God (Sung)

The Communion

Communion Hymn: CP #96 - Creator of the Stars of Night

SENDING

Prayer after Communion

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Doxology

Glory to God,

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

Announcements

Hymn: CP #123 - Once in Royal David's City

Dismissal Postlude

Pastoral Care

The Cycle of Prayer for the North End Churches, we pray for: Aurora North End Parish Church, Pastor Kevin Jolly.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for:

We pray for our primate Right Rev. Linda Nicholls; our Bishop Sandra Fyfe and for And for the Chignecto Region; Springhill, The Reverend Dr. Brian Spence; for Lantz, The Reverend Canon David Fletcher and Kathy

World World

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for: The Church of Bangladesh

Spiritual Development

Readings for next week: The Third Sunday of Advent Zephaniah 3:14-20: Canticle 3 (Isaiah 12:2-6); Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18.

Choir rehearsals take place <u>Fridays at 3:45pm in the church</u>. If you would like to join, contact Music Director Rebecca Fairless after the service or email rebecca.fairless@gmail.com

Server training will commence at St Margaret of Scotland church each Thursday beginning on November 4, 2021 from 3:30 until 4:30 p.m. If you have any questions please contact Sherry Smith at 902-445-2161 or by email: sherry0408smith@gmail.com

The Altar Guild will be selling **2022 Church Calendars** after each service. Price \$8.00

Outreach Missional Initiatives

The Mission to Seafarers Our November outreach - Items needed include: A warm hat, gloves/mittens, scarf, socks, men's personal care items, razors/shaving cream, toothbrush, lypsyl, toothpaste, hard candy, pens/pencils, stationary postcard (city/province/Canada), pin (city/province/Canada) and deck of cards. Completed or incomplete shoeboxes are accepted along with individual items if you prefer. Please bring in your donations by **Sunday November 28**th, allowing boxes to be ready for delivery by the first week in December. Thank you!

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Calling all knitters and crocheters! Although the Prayer Shawl group has not met lately because of COVID restrictions, we are looking ahead to the time when we can gather again to pray, chat, share ideas and enjoy a cup of tea. That is not to say that the group hasn't been busy at home knitting or crocheting shawls. We would love to have new members join our group in this contemplative and prayerful ministry of serving others who are in need of comfort for whatever the reason and would benefit by the warmth and peace that come from the prayers that are knit into each shawl. If you are interested in serving God through this ministry, please contact Dale Moffat at 902-835-6948 or daleamoffat@gmail.com (make sure to include the "a" in my email).

The Missional Initiatives Committee has been providing Welcome Bags to neighbours new to our North End neighbourhood. They are filled with many informative materials (bus schedules, garbage collection calendar, etc.) as well as some fun things (painted rock, lexicon book, etc.); information about St. Margaret of Scotland and the other churches in the area is also included. If you have something you think would be welcoming that you would like to include in the bags (e.g. handmade ornament, dish cloths, etc.) please let Ted Johnson, Victor Day, Frank Riggs or Margery Cotterell know. Many thanks!