

ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND ANGLICAN CHURCH

Open minds and loving hearts
All are Welcome

The Third Sunday of Advent

December 12, 2021

10:30 am - HOLY EUCHARIST
BOOK OF ALTERNATIVE SERVICES



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Rejoice in the Lord always

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.*

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Lay Minister: Frank Riggs

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.

Processional Hymn: CP 153 - Good Christians All, Rejoice

Lighting The Third Advent Candle (See bulletin insert)

Common Praise #89 (v. 6, 7) O Come O Come Emanuel

Greeting of the Community page 185

Collect

Gloria (Sung)

PROCLAMATION

First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-20 *Janet Templeton*

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Canticle 3 *Frank Riggs* (see bulletin insert)

Response:

Ring out your joy, for the Holy One of Israel is in your midst.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-7 *Lilo Sawh*

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn: CP #111

- Herald! Sound the Note of Judgement

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 3:7-18

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon

Apostles Creed page 189

The Prayers of the People *Sherry Smith*

The Confession and Absolution page 191

The Peace

CELEBRATION

Offertory Hymn: CP #116

- Your Kingdom Come On Bended Knee

Book of Remembrance & Memorials

For those who have gone before us and noted in our Book of Remembrance we give you thanks. Garnet Cook (December 12), Hilda Rose, Winnifred Dixon, Ronald Sheaves (December 15), Faye Cameron (December 16), Sarah Messervey (December 17), Adele Simmonds, Kenneth Purcell, (December 18).

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 #90

- How the World Longs For Your Birth

SENDING

Prayer after Communion

(see bulletin insert)

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 #143 - Angels from the Realms of Glory

Dismissal

Postlude

Pastoral Care

The Cycle of Prayer for the North End Churches, we pray for:
Bethel Halifax, Pastor Art MacDonald

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; Maitland, Stewiacke and Shubenacadie, Archdeacon Glenn Eason, Priest-in-Charge, and Terry Lea,

World

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

Spiritual Development

Readings for next week: The Fourth Sunday of Advent
Micah 5:2-5a; C 18 (Luke 1:47-55) or Psalm 80:1-7; Hebres 10:5-10; Luke 1:39-45, (46-55)

Choir rehearsals take place Fridays at 3:45pm in the church. 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

Today: Blessing of the Prayer Shawls

The Cheer Tree

As you are able, please help spread some Christmas Cheer via the Cheer Tree at the back of the church. Ornaments on the tree are for various gift cards, to be distributed locally via the Rectors Discretionary Fund. Gifts cards can be placed back on the tree by December 19th.

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 28th**, 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!

Memorials

A memorial gift has been given
to the glory of God

To the Furnace Fund

In memory of Doug Rogers from Ruth Rogers
In memory of Doug Rogers from Doug & Anne King
In memory of Joyce Prest from Doug & Anne King
In memory of Joyce Bond from Doug & Anne King

To the Altar Guild

In memory of Gordon Crouse from Doug & Anne King

To the Building Fund

In memory of Gordon Crouse from Donna Mossman
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To the Endowment Fund

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