

## OUR VISION

*We, at Holy Trinity, Guildwood are a  
Caring, Open-Hearted Community who Dream, Pray and Work  
with Jesus for a Loving, Equitable and Peaceful World*

***Second Sunday of Advent (2C)***

***December 8, 2024 – 10:30 a.m.***

**Church of the Holy Trinity, Guildwood**

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*The Rev. Canon Stephen Kirkegaard, Incumbent*



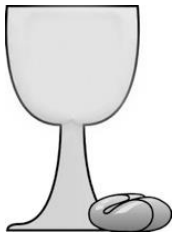
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## Welcome to Holy Trinity, Guildwood

At Holy Trinity, Guildwood, we welcome all who come to worship with us. Though we are people of diverse background, lifestyle, and opinion, we are one in our desire to follow Jesus Christ. We seek to live as diversity in unity, offering a community in which we can all grow together as one Body: God's Church. We hope the order of service will help you find your way, but feel free to ask your neighbour for help. We are truly pleased that you have chosen to worship with us.



**Holy Communion: All are welcome in this church and at this altar. All baptized persons, including children, are invited to receive the bread and wine at Christ's table.** Those not receiving communion may wish to receive a blessing. Simply cross your hands over your chest to indicate you are not receiving communion. The Anglican Church supports the ancient use of the common cup. Those receiving the chalice are asked to assist the chalice bearer by grasping the cup at the base and guiding the cup to their lips. **For health purposes the practice of intinction, dipping the bread into the wine, is discouraged.** If you do not wish to drink from the common cup, please feel free to receive the bread only. Simply cross your hands over your chest when the chalice bearer passes by to indicate you do not wish the wine. The ancient teaching is that the whole Christ is received whether one receives only the consecrated bread or both bread and wine. Please come forward (should you wish) to the altar rail, at the indication of the sides person (usher) to fill the altar rail from the outside in. Those with mobility concerns may also receive Holy Communion while remaining in place, please notify a sides person (usher).

**Children are always welcome at Holy Trinity** - On Sundays, children are invited to take part in the wonderful age-appropriate activities offered by Church School downstairs in the church hall during the Liturgy of the Word, after which they return upstairs to join in the Celebration of the Eucharist. Parents are always welcome to join their children for some or all of the time downstairs. For more information contact Melanie McLeod, Family Ministry Coordinator, at 416-261-9503 or [melanie.mcleod777@outlook.com](mailto:melanie.mcleod777@outlook.com). Children are always welcome to join in the fun and adventure of growing in Christ.

**As you are invited to stand or sit, please feel free to do as best fits your health, comfort, and circumstances.**

**Please silence your cell phones**

Celebration of The Holy Eucharist

Prelude #95 – O Come, Divine Messiah

VENEZ, DIVIN MESSIE

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The Gathering of the Community *please stand*

Gathering Hymn #106 – There’s a Voice in the Wilderness

ASCENSION

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*As the Gathering Hymn is sung, Melanie, Mackenzie, youth and children follow the Processional Cross into the sanctuary and gather around the Advent Wreath*

Welcome

Land Acknowledgment

*Lay Assistant* Today we honour and acknowledge that this land and locality are on the historical traditional lands of the Indigenous Peoples of what we call Turtle Island and what is commonly called North America.

We acknowledge the leadership of Indigenous Elders, who continue to teach us about what it means to live in a balanced and good way with all creation. May our time of worship together be blessed, as we give respect to the First Peoples of this land and seek to live in right relationship with ourselves, Creator, and one another.

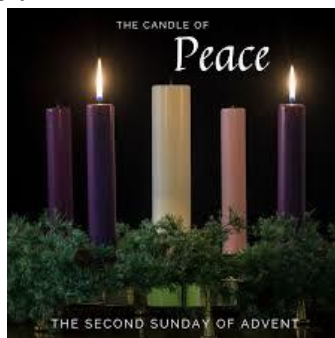
We pray that the Spirit will lead us into all truth, into repentance for the wrongs of the past and into true reconciliation with our Indigenous brothers and sisters that we may be partners in healing and peace, to the glory and thanksgiving of God our Creator.

*(National Indigenous Archbishop Chris Harper)*

Greeting and Advent Wreath Candle Lighting. *Please stand*

*Presider* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you all.

*People* **And also with you.**



*Melanie* On this second Sunday of Advent we hear stories of the dreams and longings of God's people. The Hebrew people dreamed of a king who would rule with justice and peace. The apostle Paul had a dream that all people would belong to God. John the Baptist invited people to dream with him about the coming of God's reign.

We share these dreams that can lead to life-changing action.

*Mackenzie* God's people have long dreamed of the coming of peace, justice and faithfulness to God's ways. In our own time we dream of equality and a good life for everyone. Such dreams come from God and inspire us to work for justice and peace.

*Melanie* With John the Baptist we dream of making crooked paths straight, of making a smooth highway, broad enough for all God's people to move on together in peace and harmony.

*Mackenzie* Our actions can help build that highway. God's dream of peace can become our dream.

*Melanie* The flame of this second candle, the candle of peace, reminds us that just as candles can be given a flame, so God's dreams can become real in our world.

*Mackenzie lights the second blue candle.*

*Presider* Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

*All* **A light no darkness can extinguish.  
May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace  
in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit.**

*As the children and young people go out to Church School  
downstairs in the Church Hall, we sing*

*All Sing* **Light one candle for hope,  
One bright candle for hope.  
He brings hope to every heart.  
He comes! He comes!**

**Light one candle for peace,  
One bright candle for peace.  
He brings peace to every heart.  
He comes! He comes!**

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***Children and young people are invited to go to  
Church School downstairs in the Church Hall.***

The Collect of the Day *please remain standing*

*Presider* Almighty God,  
who sent your servant John the Baptist  
to prepare your people to welcome the Messiah,  
Give us a spirit of repentance  
that we may be ready for your Reign.  
Let complacency yield to conviction,  
that in our day justice will flourish  
and conflict give way to the peace  
you bestow in Christ,

Grant this through him whose coming is certain,  
whose day draws near;  
your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God for ever and ever.

*All* **Amen.**

**Proclamation of the Word**  *please sit for the readings*

First Reading

Baruch 5:1-9

- Reader 1* A reading from the Book of Baruch.
- Reader 2* Jerusalem, O Jerusalem,  
take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction,  
and put on forever the beauty of the glory from God.
- Reader 1* Put on the robe of the righteousness God gives you;  
and on your head as a diadem the splendour of the Eternal.
- Reader 2* God will show your radiance to every land under heaven.  
From God you will receive the name,  
“Righteous Peace, Godly Glory.”
- Reader 1* Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height;  
look toward the east, and see your children gathered  
from west to east at the word of the Holy One,  
rejoicing that God has remembered them.
- Reader 2* For they went out from you on foot,  
led away by their enemies;  
but God is bringing them home to you,  
carried in glory, as on a royal throne.
- Reader 1* For God has ordered that every high mountain  
and the everlasting hills be made low  
and the valleys filled up, to make level ground,  
so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God.
- Reader 2* The woods and every fragrant tree  
will give Israel shade at God's command.  
God will lead Israel with joy, in the light of his glory,  
with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.
- Reader 1* Listen for the leading of the Spirit.  
*People.* **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 19 #11 Blessed be the God of Israel

SONG OF ZACHARIAS  
Instrumental, 2. Choir, 3. Congregation

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Second Reading

Philippians 1:3-11

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

*Reader* Listen for the leading of the Spirit.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**



Gradual Hymn #107 – Prepare the Way  
(Sung as a 4-part round or canon.)

PREPARE THE WAY

Prepare the way of the Lord,  
prepare the way of the Lord,  
and all the people will see the salvation of our God.

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The Holy Gospel *Please stand*

Luke 3:1-6

*Reader* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

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

*People* **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Iturea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah





May we have the boldness of John the Baptist  
in inviting others to support and share  
in our vision of preparing a better world.

*People* “Lord, **inspire us to prepare your way**”.

*Lay Assistant* We give thanks for all people like John the Baptist,  
who challenge the hypocrisy and injustice in society.

*People* “Lord, **inspire us to prepare your way**”.

*Lay Assistant* We pray for the world  
May the Lord come with hope into the sorrows of our world;  
with harmony into the violence of our world;  
with integrity into the corruption of our world.  
We pray that the light of Christ’s coming  
will break through the darkness.

*People* “Lord, **inspire us to prepare your way**”.

*Lay Assistant* We pray for the sick and those in need,  
for those who have asked for our prayers:  
For any others known to you . . .  
May the Lord bring a feeling of relief and release  
to people whose lives are filled with struggle and tears.

*People* “Lord, **inspire us to prepare your way**”.

*Lay Assistant* We pray for all who have died . . .  
Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord,

*People* **And let light perpetual shine upon them**

*Lay Assistant* We offer these prayers with hearts full of expectation of the coming  
of Christ,  
who is our Lord and Saviour, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

*Eucharist: Enhancing the Prayer* Donal Harrington (adapted)

Confession and Absolution

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*Confession lets us set down the heavy things we carry with us,  
putting us in right relationship with one another and with God.*

The Peace *please stand*

*Presider* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*We greet one another in the name of the Lord*

## **Announcements**

*If you are new to our community, we're glad to have you here worshipping with us.  
Please subscribe to, like, and share our Holy Trinity, Guildwood YouTube Channel.  
To receive Together@Trinity please send us your email address.*

*Highlights:*

**Sunday, December 15 @ 7 pm, HTG Christmas Concert.  
Advent Bible Study (#3) and Watch Party with Bishop Riscylla.  
St. Nicholas will be arriving @ 11.30, please join us after the Service  
for a Potluck Lunch.**

**Please return your 2025 Generous Giving Intention card.  
Remembrance Tree**

**Christmas Services: Christmas Eve @ 7 pm Family Service;  
Christmas Day 10.30 am Eucharist.**

*Saving money and trees – please let the Parish Administrator  
know if you need a paper copy of T@T.*

*Holy Trinity, Guildwood's ministries are supported by the prayers, time, energy, and  
financial gifts of those who worship with us. Your donation makes a difference.*

**Thank you for your generous support.**

*If you feel inspired to financially support the impact we are making with our  
neighbours, and broader community, please donate via cash, cheque or leave your  
donation on the offering plate. For your convenience you can also donate  
via tap or on our website.*

**The Celebration of the Eucharist** *please stand*

The Preparation of Gifts

*While the hymn is sung, a collection is taken.*

*The bread and wine, the offerings of the people, are then brought forward and received.*

Offertory Hymn #111 Herald! Sound the Note of Judgement

NEANDER (UNSER HERRSCHER)

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The Prayer over the Gifts *please remain standing*

God our strength,  
we are nothing without you.  
Receive all we offer you this day  
as you sustain us with your mercy;  
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Great Thanksgiving – Eucharistic Prayer #3

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Preface Dialog

Robert Graham

Mass of the Lamb - Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts.  
Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the  
high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the  
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na in the high-est.

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The Lord's Prayer

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The Breaking of the Bread #5

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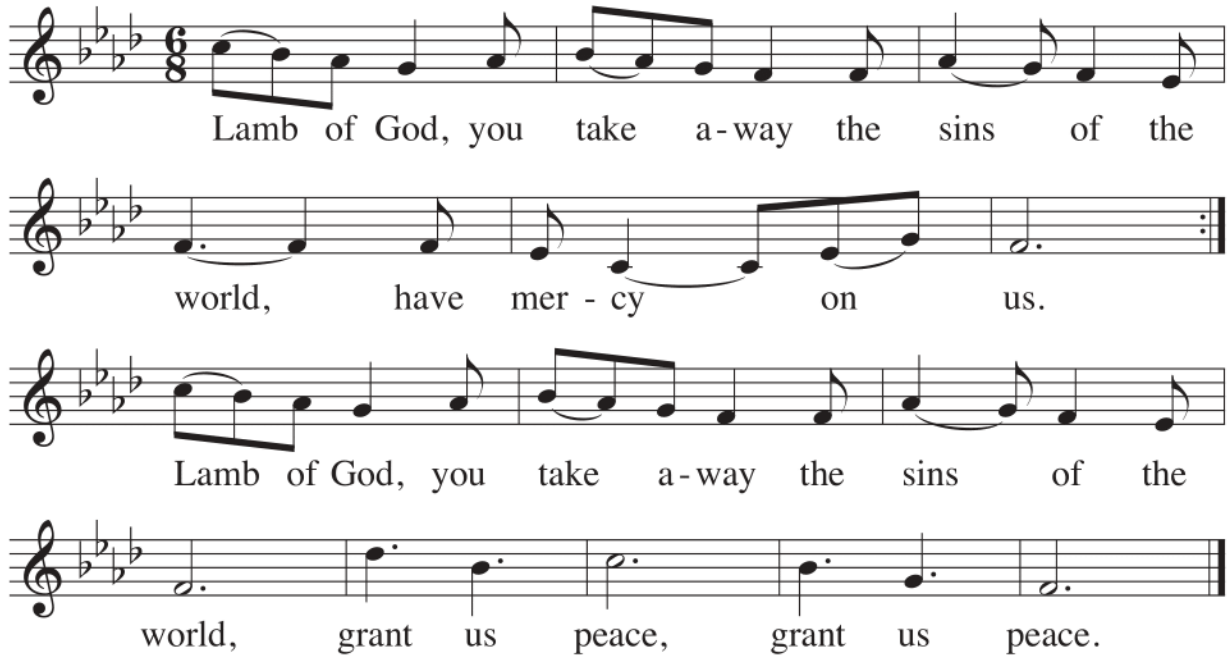
The Communion

*Presider* The gifts of God for the people of God.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**



## Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,  
 have mer - cy on us.  
 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,  
 grant us peace, grant us peace.

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Everyone is welcome to receive communion.



You may receive both bread and wine, or just the bread, if you wish.



Cross your arms to receive a blessing instead.



Communion can be brought to you if needed: just ask a sidesperson.

## Communion Hymn #157 – Rise up and Shine

PETER'S BROOK

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### The Sending Forth of the Community

Prayer after Communion *please stand*

Faithful God,  
 we thank you for feeding us with this heavenly banquet.  
 Help us always to hear the prophet's call  
 to turn our hearts to you;  
 in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

*Presider*  
*All*

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

Time with the Young at Heart – A visit from St. Nicolas

### **Jolly Old St Nicholas**

Jolly Old St Nicholas On this happy day You bring joy and happiness, Hear us as we say, Teach us how to be like you Loving, showing care; Sharing gifts, we celebrate Joy beyond compare.	Each December we await, Come without delay, Saint of children everywhere, On your festive day. You love people far and near; Help us to prepare For a Christmas filled with joy, Saint, now hear our prayer.	Bethlehem, the star shines bright, Lead us, Saint, today, To the Holy City where Christ, the child, is laid. As we see you kneeling there We adore and say, May the joys of Christmas night Cheer our world today.
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## Dismissal

*Presider* Followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit,  
serve the world God loves.

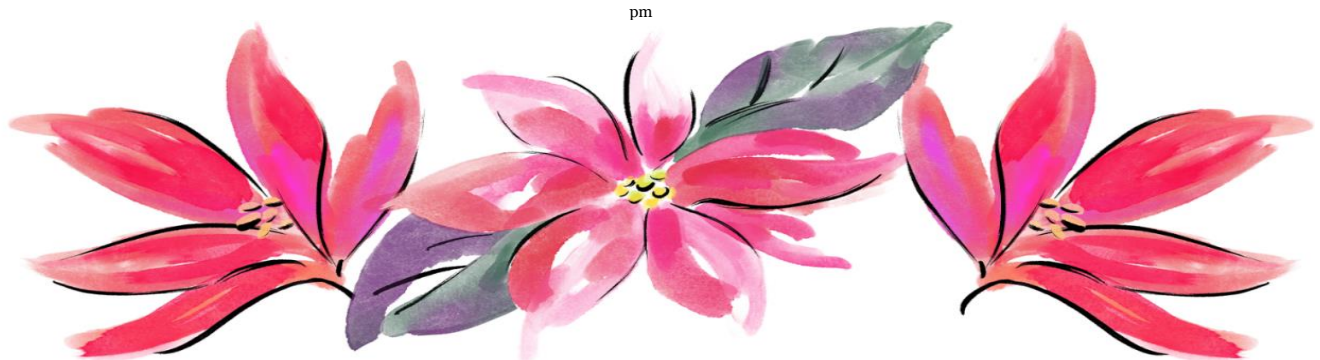
*All* **Thanks be to God**

## Postlude – Go Now In Peace

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### **Christmas Flowers**

Each year at Christmas, the sanctuary of Holy Trinity Guildwood is decorated by the Altar Guild with Christmas flowers. If you would like to make a donation towards these flowers, in memory of loved ones or to honour a person or occasion, please use the envelope provided. You may also donate in your usual way, designating the donation be directed to "Christmas Flowers" indicating the name of the person who is being honoured.



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**Dear Guest/Visitor:**

Thank you for worshipping with us today; you have enriched our community, and we hope the service held meaning and beauty for you. If you will be returning to a distant home, we wish you the Lord's grace and a safe journey. However, if you live anywhere near us, and you are not an involved member of a faith community and might be seeking one, we invite you to return here any Sunday so that we may continue to worship with and respond to you. Please visit us on the web at [www.trinityguildwood.org](http://www.trinityguildwood.org) and take one of our welcome brochures to learn more about opportunities for personal spiritual growth and service to others.

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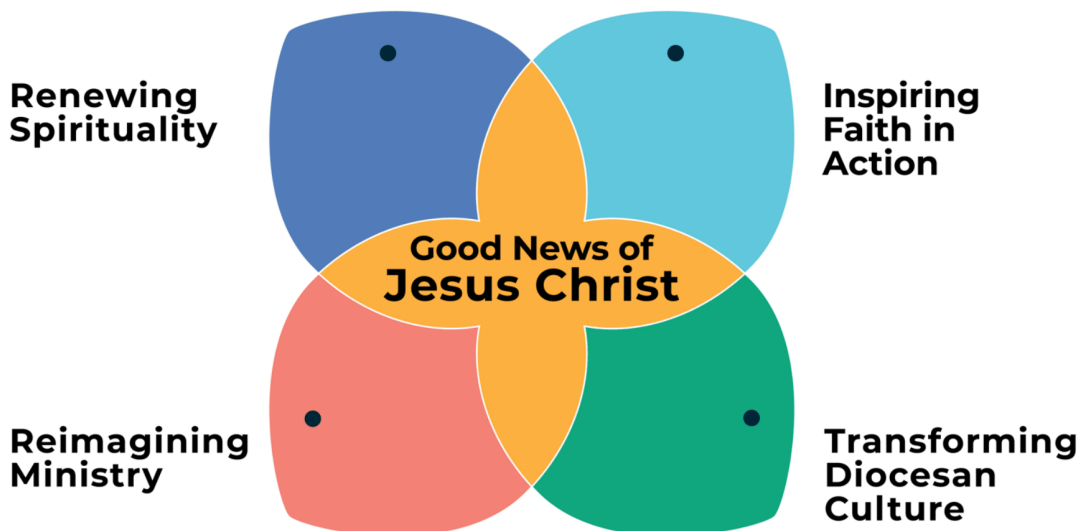
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### **Cast the Net Diocese of Toronto Vision**

Go forth, followers of Jesus, inspired by the Holy Spirit, serve the world God loves!



- We are disciples of Jesus Christ, whose Good News is the joy and challenge at the heart of our common life.
- We are renewed daily in our spiritual lives and share our faith with others.
- We seek justice for all, walk alongside those in need, and respond with loving service and prophetic advocacy.
- We support and encourage faithful and fruitful ministry by all who serve the life of the church.
- We live and work as the Body of Christ, each member connected to the whole, and each valued for their unique gifts.



**Diocese of Toronto**  
Anglican Church of Canada

**This Week we pray for:**

**The Church:** The Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, and the Moravian Church in North America. Peterborough Deanery, All Saints, Whitby, its Deacon's Food Cupboard and its community garden and Christmas outreach ministries. Anne, our Acting Primate and Metropolitan Bishop; Chris, our National Indigenous Archbishop; and Andrew, our Diocesan and Area Bishop.

**Our Parish family of Holy Trinity, Guildwood:**

Joe and Myriam Hill; Nikki Hoang; Kelly Hogan

**Celebrating a birthday:** Sharon Sadler; Denise Byard

**For our Treasurer:** David Tangness.

**For our Priest:** Stephen.

**The Sick, Shut-In, and Those who have asked for our Prayers:** Allan Mawson, Alf Parke, Barbara Walker, Francis and the Callender Family, Don & Mary Beth, Ed Badley, Freda Morgan, Glenis Emmett, Mark, Nancy Lees, Roy & Wendy Woodhouse, Ruth Perry, Ted Tyson, Vivian Smith; Adele Kamiskie, Colleen, Joshua Torres, Karin Cooksey, Richard Thomson.

**For Those Who Have Died:** Frank Knautz

The flowers on the Altar this week, are given by Shirley Knautz and her family  
in memory of Frank Knautz

*"Years have gone by but our love and missing you has never ceased.  
You will always live in our hearts and never die.  
I was so lucky to have you as a loving husband  
and guiding father for our children."*



# Second Sunday in



## Assisting in Worship are:

*Presider and Preacher:* The Rev. Canon Stephen Kirkegaard

*Lay Assistant:* Linda Epping

*Readers:* Leslie Hetherington, Karen Price, Myriam Hill

*Altar Guild:* Karen Price, Beth Raymer, Leslie Hetherington

*Welcome :* Lisa-Marie Daniel

**Readings for Third  
Sunday of Advent  
December 15, 2024**  
**Zephaniah 3.14**  
**Canticle 3**  
**(Isaiah 12.2-6)**  
**Philipians 4.4-7**  
**Luke 3:7-18**

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### **Church Office Hours:**

**Tuesday & Thursday : 10 am – 4 pm**

**Friday: 10 am – 2 pm**

***The church office will be closed on Mondays & Wednesdays.***