

## Our Mission Statement

*Guided by Holy Scripture and the Holy Spirit, we the congregation of Holy Trinity pledge our lives to Christ. Through worship, love, and service to one another, we will bring witness and encouragement to the community.*

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**Bulletin Today.** The bulletin is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Diana & Frank Hounsell by Louise and Martha Beson

<i>Service Times for December 15 - December 22, 2019</i>		
<i>Sunday, December 15 3<sup>rd</sup> of Advent</i>	Holy Communion (BCP) Choir Program	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
<i>Thursday</i>	Holy Eucharist (BAS)	9:30 a.m.
<i>Sunday, December 22 4<sup>th</sup> of Advent</i>	Holy Communion (BCP) Sunday School Program	8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

**Welcome.** A special welcome to anyone who is visiting with us today. Please introduce yourself to our Greeters and Clergy, and sign our guest book located in the foyer. If you require a Hearing Assist Device, please ask the Greeters for one.

**Flowers for Christmas.** Anyone wishing to place flowers in the church for Christmas in memory of loved ones may place a donation envelope in the Offertory Plate. Please mark the envelope **Christmas Flowers**. All names must be received by **December 19** to be included in the Christmas Bulletin.

**ACW Christmas Program.** ACW Christmas Program, **December 18** at 7:30 p.m. in the E.M. Bishop Hall. Join us for syrup, tea, coffee, gingerbread and cake at Mrs. Claus Café. Ladies, come and bring a friend for an evening of Christmas joy.

**Sunday School Christmas Program.** The Sunday School children will be presenting their Christmas program on Sunday, **December 22** at 10:30 a.m.

**Christmas Services.** There will be two services on Christmas Eve—*A Family Service (Jesus Party)* at 4 p.m. and a service of *Holy Eucharist* at 9 p.m. There will be only one service on **December 29** at 10:30 a.m. There will be no Holy Communion at 8:30 a.m. as stated in the Worship Schedule. Also, there will be no service on Christmas Day, New Year's Eve or New Year's Day.

**Christmas Bulletin.** Items for the Christmas Bulletin must be received by noon on Thursday, **December 19**.

**New Year's Eve.** New Year's Eve family celebration will take place again this year beginning at 6 p.m. at Church Road Park for sliding, and then commencing at E. M. Bishop Hall for Hot Chocolate. Fireworks to follow. All are welcome.

**Singing Sidesmen.** The Singing Sidesmen raised \$1280 for the shingles on the roof. Thank you on behalf of your church.

**Discretionary Fund.** People wishing to make donations to the discretionary fund to help families at Christmas time and other times throughout the year, can do so by placing an envelope in the offertory plate marked discretionary fund.

**Church Calendars.** Calendars are now available from Karen Brown. Price \$5. Contact number is **489-6490**.

**Church Envelopes.** The 2020 envelopes are now available for pick up at the main entrance of the church. In order to keep our listing up to date, I would appreciate notification on any address changes or new requests for envelopes. I can be reached at 489-0234 or include the information with your weekly offering. Many thanks for those who continue to do deliveries on behalf of the church. **Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year to all.** *Cathy Flynn*

**Bible Study.** Bible Study will resume in January.

**Youth Group/Confirmation.** Youth Group/Confirmation will resume in January.

**Greeters Today.** David Mercer, Gerry Dobbin, Winston Ellsworth, Ruth Parry, Robert Stockley, Stephen Lewis, Jared & Alice Hogg

**Bulletin Items.** Please give the necessary information to Cathy by Thursday. You may e-mail [candlelady@live.ca](mailto:candlelady@live.ca)

**Third Sunday in Advent: JOY**

Reader 1: Our souls magnify the Lord! Our souls rejoice in God, our Saviour!

Reader 2: Waters shall break forth with joy in the wilderness. There will be streams in the desert!

All: **But we see the wilderness suffer. Rivers flood; fires rage. How can we feel joy when the world knows such sorrow?**

Reader 1: In times of suffering, Jesus asks us to shine with pure, clear light. We light the candle of joy to brighten the world, to lift up the lowly and fill the hungry with good things.

*The candle is lit.*

All: **Come, Lord Jesus, and kindle joy in our lives. Shine in our lives whenever we feel discouraged, to strengthen our trust in you. Give us wisdom to respond to suffering with commitment sustained by joy. Let our faithfulness shine in the world you love. Amen.**

Reader 2: As we wait for you, Jesus, we will shine with hope and work for peace with joyful hearts!

**CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT!**

**SHINE IN OUR HEARTS,  
SHINE THROUGH THE DARKNESS.  
CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT!  
SHINE IN YOUR CHURCH,  
GATHERED TODAY.**