

Parish of Estevan
December 27, 2020
First Sunday after Christmas



St. Giles'

317 12th Avenue

Estevan, Saskatchewan

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ST. GILES ANGLICAN CHURCH

Holy Communion

10:00 a.m.

Presider:	The Rev Brian Woods
Organist:	Margaret Duncan
Readings:	Lynn Chipley
Prayers of the People:	Heather Woodhouse

Sentence

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

Colossians 3.15, 16

Welcome:

We begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather, is on in Treaty 4 Territory, the original lands of the Cree, Ojibwe, Saulteaux, Dakota, Nakota, Lakota, and the homeland of the Metis people.

Hymn: Mary's Boy Child

Long time ago in Bethlehem
So the holy Bible say
Mary's boy child, Jesus Christ
Was born on Christmas Day!

Hark now hear the angels sing
a New King's born today
And man will live for evermore
Because of Christmas Day

While shepherds watch their flock by night
They saw a bright new shining star
And heard a choir from Heaven sing
The music came from afar

Hark now hear the angels sing
a New King's born today
And man will live for evermore
Because of Christmas Day

Now Joseph and his wife Mary
Came to Bethlehem that night
They found no place to bear her Child,
Not a single room was in sight

By and by they found a little nook
In a stable all forlorn.
And in a manger cold and dark
Mary's little Boy Child was born

Trumpets sound and angels sing,
Listen to what they say
That man will live forevermore
Because of Christmas Day

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Gathering

Officiant 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.**

Officiant Let us pray.

We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together on the Lord's Day to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past, and your purpose in the week to come, through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Confession and Absolution

Officiant Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

People **Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Officiant Merciful God,
grant to your faithful people pardon and peace,
that we may be cleansed from all our sins
and serve you with a quiet mind;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be always with you
And also, with you

The First Nowell

1 The first nowell the angel did say
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay,
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep
on a cold winter's night that was so deep. . . . *Refrain*

*Nowell, nowell, nowell, nowell,
born is the King of Israel.*

2 They looked up and saw a star,
shining in the east, beyond them far;
and to the earth it gave great light,
and so it continued both day and night. . . . *Refrain*

3 And by the light of that same star
three wise men came from country far;
to seek for a king was their intent,
and to follow the star wherever it went. . . . *Refrain*

4 This star drew nigh to the northwest;
o'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
and there it did both stop and stay,
right over the place where Jesus lay. . . . *Refrain*

5 Then entered in those wise men three,
full reverently upon the knee,
and offered there, in his presence
their gold and myrrh and frankincense. . . . *Refrain*

6 Then let us all with one accord
sing praises to our heavenly Lord,
who has made heaven and earth of nought,
and with his blood salvation bought. . . . *Refrain*

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The Collect of the Day

Almighty God,
you have shed upon us the new light of your incarnate Word.
May this light, enkindled in our hearts, shine forth in our lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

The Proclamation of the Word

Psalm 148 *sung*

1 Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord from the heavens; * praise him in the heights.

2 Praise him, all you angels of his; * praise him, all his host.

3 Praise him, sun and moon; * praise him, all you shining stars.

4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, * and you waters above the heavens.

5 Let them praise the name of the Lord; * for he commanded, and they were created.

6 He made them stand fast for ever and ever; * he gave them a law which shall not pass away.

7 Praise the Lord from the earth, * you sea-monsters and all deeps;

8 Fire and hail, snow and fog, * tempestuous wind, doing his will;

9 Mountains and all hills, * fruit trees and all cedars;

10 Wild beasts and all cattle, * creeping things and wingèd birds;

11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, * princes and all rulers of the world;

12 Young men and maidens, * old and young together.

13 Let them praise the name of the Lord, *

for his name only is exalted, his splendour is over earth and heaven.

14 He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, * the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!

A reading from Isaiah

^{61:10} I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,

my whole being shall exult in my God;

for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,

he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,

as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,

and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

¹¹ For as the earth brings forth its shoots,

and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,

so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise

to spring up before all the nations.

^{62:1} For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,

and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,

until her vindication shines out like the dawn,

and her salvation like a burning torch.

² The nations shall see your vindication,

and all the kings your glory;

and you shall be called by a new name

that the mouth of the LORD will give.

³ You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,

and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

The Word of the Lord

Canticle

Song of the First-Born

Colossians 1.15–20

**Christ is the image of the unseen God, *
the first-born of all creation,
for in him were all things made, *
in heaven and on earth.
Through him and for him were all things made,
before all he exists, holds all things in one. *
The Church is his body, and he is its head.
He is the beginning, the first-born from the dead; *
in all things he alone is supreme.
God made all his fullness to dwell in him, *
to reconcile through him all creation to himself,
everything on earth and everything in heaven, *
all gathered into peace by his death on the cross.**

A Reading from the Letter to the Galatians

^{4:4}But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ⁶And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' ⁷So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

The Word of the Lord

Hymn: Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

1 Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King,
peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled."
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
join the triumph of the skies;
with the angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!" *Refrain*

2 Christ, by highest heaven adored;
Christ, the everlasting Lord;
late in time behold him come,
offspring of a virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail, the incarnate Deity,
pleased as one of us to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel! *Refrain*

*Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King."*

3 Hail, the heaven-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
risen with healing in his wings,
Mild he lays his glory by,
born that we no more may die,
born to raise each child of earth,
born to give us second birth. *Refrain*

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The Gospel

Celebrant: The Lord be with you,

All: **And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel according to **Luke**

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

^{2:22} When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ²³(as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), ²⁴and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

²⁵ Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. ²⁶It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. ²⁷Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, ²⁸Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

²⁹ 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,
according to your word;

³⁰ for my eyes have seen your salvation,

³¹ which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,

³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles
and for glory to your people Israel.'

³³ And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

³⁶ There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, ³⁷then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. ³⁸At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

³⁹ When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. ⁴⁰The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

All: **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Brian Woods

Musical Meditation: Mary Did You Know?

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Apostle's Creed

Officiant Let us confess our faith as we say,

All I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

In peace we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our church family especially: Carl Henneberg & Lori Naka and children Julie, Toby,
Grant, David, Kiya and Kody and their families; Brett & Jennifer Howie and their sons
Jordan & Nolan.

For our families, friends, and neighbours, and for all those who are alone.

For this community, our country, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are sick, in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble especially: Autumn, Frank, Greg, Gwen, Bishop Rob and his family, his sister, Linda, and niece, Nicola, Lyle, Terry, Ginger Anderson, Raquel Be, Brian Brandon, Jodi Bryant, Gail Clark-Morgan, MacKenzie Delainey, Darlene Forbes, Wanda Friess, Dorothy Gaetz, Dave Genter, Luke Genter, Mike Gulak, Bob Haines, Glorhi Haines, Bishop Michael Hawkins, Alan Hodges, Brian & Nola Joseph, Bea Lukye, Mikayla MacPherson, Leanne McCarthy, Arnold Newton, The Rev. Jason Richards, Les Saxon, Kim Smith, Candy Smyth, Wanda Stang, Dustin Taylor, Ed Taylor, Lisa Van de Velde, Edna Walliser, Meghan Wright, and Tom Wright, and those we name silently before you.

Silence. The people may add their own petitions.

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
for the ministry of our hospital chaplains and visitors
for Director Joe Vecsi and the staff of Communication and Information Resources; Director Hannah Goschy and the staff of Financial Management and Administration, ACC
for our companion dioceses of Lichfield and Muyinga
for our ecumenical partners in the Lutheran, Anglican, Ukrainian Catholic, Roman Catholic Covenant (LAURC)

For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the truth.

For Rob, our Bishop; Linda, our Primate; Mark, our National Indigenous Archbishop; Greg, our Metropolitan; Wilma, our Archdeacon; Brian our Honorary Assistant; Barb, our Deacon; Pastor Tim Pippus – Church of Christ Estevan, for Rev. Lyle McKenzie, Assistant to the National Bishop for Worship, Evangelical Lutheran Church In Canada

For all who serve God in the Church.

For our own needs and those of others.
for health care workers and all who are providing essential services through the Covid-19 pandemic; for our front-line workers especially Estevan Police Service and for support for members of our congregations as we adapt to the changes that we are facing through the pandemic.

Silence. The people may add their own petitions.

Hear us, Lord.

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The people may add their own thanksgivings.

We will exalt you, O God our king;
And praise your name for ever and ever.

We pray for those who have died in the peace of Christ, especially: Stanley Long '91; Frank Dukart '00; Melvin Adair '90; Waverly McKinnon '90; William Murphy '94; Alfred Byers '10 and for those whose faith is known to you alone, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The people may add their own petitions.

Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

Gracious God,
you have heard the prayers of your faithful people;
you know our needs before we ask, and our ignorance in asking.
Grant our requests as may be best for us.
This we ask in the name of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Offertory

During this time of pandemic, when we cannot physically put our offerings on the plate, we ask that offerings continue to be given by mail, etransfer or pre-authorized deposits through your bank. Further information is on our website.

For the gifts and offerings, we receive, we give thanks and pray:
**Yours, Lord, is the greatness,
the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.**

God of light,
in the birth of your Son we see your glory.
May we who share in this mystery
grow daily in your love.
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Prayer of St. John Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together you will hear their requests.
Fulfill now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you, Father, are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Officiant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing: May the God of infinite goodness scatter the darkness of sin and brighten your hearts with holiness; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Officiant May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Hymn: Christmas Hallelujah





Robert & Vivian Adams
In Loving Memory of Family

Bill, Linda, Jared & Adam Baker
In Loving Memory of William Baker,
Arthur & Fran Buckland

Joyce Beggs
In Memory of Kenn Beggs

Doug & Jan Blue & Family
In Loving Memory of Phil & Louie Attrill,
and Clarence Blue

Gene & Cathie Davis
In Loving Memory of Shirley Davis
and Len & Bette MacDonald

Doug & Linda Dawson
In Memory and Thanksgiving

Brent, Allison, Savannah
& Erica Dinsmore
In Loving Memory of
William & Helga Harris

Norma Doerr
In Memory of Don Doerr

Duncan, Pyra & Ribling Families
In Memory of
Norman Ribling and Jack Lightfoot

Frank Elberg
In Memory of Colleen

Barb Gessner
In Memory of Don Doerr

Mike & Wendy Godfrey
In Thanksgiving





Marwin, Carol & John Grill
In Loving Memory of
William & Helga Harris,
John Grill & Vivian Blacklaws



John & Georgia Gulak
In Loving Memory of Our Family and Friends

Jan Harris
In Loving Memory of
Ross & Gervy Harris

Darwin, Judy & Tamira Krall
Shelaia, Kellan & Hayes George
In Loving Memory of Nana & Granddad,
Mary & Thomas Jackson

Scott & Dorna MacDonald
In Memory of
Jim & Marion Milne and
Len & Bette MacDonald

Russ, Tammy & Patrick McCleary
In Memory of Our Family & Friends

Michelle McKelkie
In Memory of Kay Clarke

Tom & Beth More
In Memory & Thanksgiving

Arol & Joan Phair
In Thanksgiving

The Symons Family
In Loving Memory of
George, Dorothy & Marwin Symons & Bert Pierson

Rose Walton
In Thanksgiving



Tom & Heather Woodhouse Family
In Memory of Robert Woodhouse
Lina & Harry Cox & Joan Woodhouse



Announcements

Options for giving your offering to the church

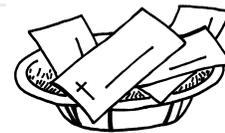
Listed below are the options that we have:

1. You can mail your offering to:

St. Giles Anglican Church

317 12th Ave.

Estevan, Sask. S4A 1E3



2. e-Transfer your donation to:

stgiles@sasktel.net

3. You can sign up for automatic giving. Heather has forms or the form is on the website www.estevananglican.com. You can print it, fill it out and scan it back to stgiles@sasktel.net or put it in your mailbox at your house and Heather (306) 421-2457 will pick it up. (Please phone her or send her text so she knows to do that!)

4. You could put your donation in an envelope with your name on it in your mailbox at your house and Heather (306) 421-2457 will pick it up. (Please phone her or send her a text so she knows to do that!)

For Sale

- **Calendars for 2021 are available.**

\$5.00 per calendar

St. Giles Masks - \$10.00 / mask

Limited supply of:

- **Zucchini Relish ("Kay's" recipe)**
- **Peach Jam or**
- **Canned Peaches**

All jars \$4.00



*"Hold on – we're trying to work this out.
You're from three different royal households
and the baby counts as three people already..."*

If you are coming to church
remember to RSVP to:
the church at 306 634-4113

Or

Heather at
306 421-2457
Please do this by Friday evening.

~ Thank You ~



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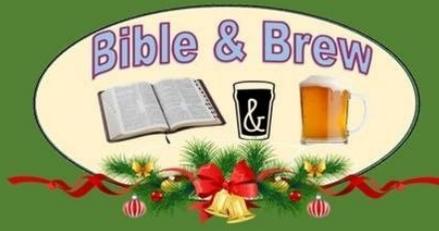
St. Giles now has masks!
Available during our
Sunday Service or call
306-634-4113




\$10



Bible & Brew presents
WATCH AND WAIT Through Advent



During Advent we invite you to join us for 'Watch & Wait - An Advent Devotion. Every evening at 8 PM we will be offering a short devotional time via Zoom. Everyone is welcome!! The Zoom link is as follows:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81374979192>

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Our first Watch & Wait is Sunday, November 29, 8 PM.

If you have questions about this program or about Zoom please message us!