

Today's Services of Holy Communion

8:00 am (Book of Common Prayer)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Lay Reader: Rosemary Bishop

10 am (Book of Alternative Services)

Celebrant: The Rev. Christine Conkin

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

Lay Readers: Lorraine Grant and Connie Kadey

The Leadership Team at St Peters

*If you or someone you know is ill or in need of pastoral care,
please leave a message at the office or email one of our clergy.*

Please feel free to direct any inquiries, questions or concerns to one of the wardens.

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December 1, 2013

10:00 am



**St. Peter's Anglican Church
903-75th Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta 403-252-0393**

Welcome to our service of Holy Communion. If you are unfamiliar with the ritual customs of the Anglican Church, simply relax with the liturgy and let the rest of the congregation carry you in worship. As today's service begins, a gong will sound, calling us to stillness before God. As its sound fades away, we stand to sing our processional hymn.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Call to Silence

Advent Procession Hymns: #88 Come, Thou Long-expected Jesus

#108 Hark, a Herald Voice Is Sounding

Greeting

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

And also with you.

Let us pray:

Almighty God, you bring to light things hidden in darkness, and know the shadows of our hearts: Cleanse and renew us by your Spirit, that we may walk in the light and glorify your name, through Jesus Christ, the Light of the world, Amen.

Lighting the Advent Candle

Candle Song:

One candle for hope, to tell of his birth,
One candle for peace he brought to the earth
One candle for joy, one candle for love,
for Jesus who came from heaven above.

John and Phyllis Miller

As the season of Advent begins we celebrate hope.

**We know that through the birth of a tiny and helpless child,
God is coming to save the world.**

While we watch and wait for Jesus to arrive,
we join in God's mission by bringing grace and mercy to those who need it most.

We engage the poor and the poor in spirit, letting Christ's light shine through us.

We speak words of comfort and love to a world in need of healing as we share our stories of God's transforming Spirit.

Together, we are a sign of God's hope for the world.

The candle is lit

Let us pray:

God of surprising grace, when we least expect it you bring fresh new life; and where we feel that all is lost, you bring redemption. Give us courage as we share all you have done, all you are doing, and all you will accomplish through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Children now leave for Spirit Zone and return for Eucharist

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

Psalms 122, BAS (Green Book) page 882

New Testament Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Gradual Hymn: #101 Hail to the Lord's Anointed

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 24:36-44

Response: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

Response: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Homily: The Rev. Dr. Jane Rowland

The Apostles Creed BAS page 189

The Prayers of the People

The Peace

May the God of peace make you completely holy, ready for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Offertory Hymn: #114 Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

The Prayer over the Gifts:

God of love and power, **your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Eucharistic Prayer #4, page 201

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many, are called to one body, For we all share in the one bread.

Agnus Dei

Jesus Lamb of God, have mercy on us,
 Jesus bearer of our sins, have mercy on us,
 Jesus redeemer of the world, give us your peace.

All are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table. If you prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

Prayer after Communion

**God for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life.
 Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man.
 We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord. Amen.**

All your works praise you O Lord.

And your faithful servants bless you.

**Gracious God, we thank you for feeding us
 with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.**

**May we, who share his body, live his risen life;
 we, who drink this cup, bring life to others;
 we, whom the Spirit lights, give light to the world.**

**Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
 so that we and all your children shall be free,
 and the whole earth live to praise your name,
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: #106 There's a Voice in the Wilderness

The Dismissal of the Community

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Prayers

- In our worldwide Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Episcopal Church of West Virginia and their clergy, The Rt. Rev. William Michie Klusmeyer.
- In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle we pray for St. John, Olds and their clergy, The Rev. Joan Scheilengerger; St. Mark, Innisfail and their clergy, The Rev. Jeanne Hunder and for the Bishop, Archdeacons and the Regional Deans.
- In our Companion Diocese in the Windward Islands we pray for St. Phillip, Mesopotamia with St. Matthias & St. Joseph and their clergy, The Rev. Canon Ashton Francis.
- In our own parish let us ask for God's healing love to uphold and sustain all who are in any kind of need, especially: Ron Kishlewich, Linda Greene, Maria Dalla Costa, Kolby Thomson, Ruth Elford, Shelley, Alison James, Julianne Hendrickson, Gerry Dawe, Connie Clarke, Wendy Both, Laurie Arsenault, Kenneth Robertson, Tracey (Janzen) Grenier, Virginia Goodman, Ernie Rice, Edith Lenko, Nellie Werth, Mandy Gravells, Marguerite Dimmer, Joan Brisbane, Chad McGregor, Peggy Brookes, Mariam Jacobs, Emily Sharpe, Eileen Williams, Garnet Wallace, Andrew Howe.

Flowers are given this morning to the glory of God by Pauline and John Dawson in memory of loved ones and by Caron Ross in thanksgiving for her Mom, Diane Ross, and her Mom's journey this past year with hip replacement surgery.

Warden on duty today is Lynn McKeown.