

# **St Paul's Anglican Church**



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# PARISH HAPPENINGS - DEC 12

"What has been done has been done; What has not been done has not been done; Let it be." -NZ Prayer Book, Night Prayer

### LESSONS and CAROLS – Dec 22, 2024 @ 7:00 pm

#### Including

#### The reintroduction of the St. Paul's Handbells Ruth on the violin and special quest soloist.

#### Next Week's Readings – Advent 4 Love

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- 1) Isaiah 11:1-10 (the root of Jesse)
- 3) Baruch 4:36-5:9 (the return of scattered Israel)
- 5) Luke 1:39-56 (Mary visits Elizabeth)
- 7) Titus 3:4-7 (Saved through Christ)

Designated Giving for December #215 will benefit Kawartha Food Source. As Christians have always done, we feed the hungry and we know the need this winter is more urgent than ever. Our monetary donations help the Food Source fund nutritious things like fresh produce, milk and eggs and the cost of breakfast programs in schools.

**Refreshment Time helpers needed –** Over the coming weeks we typically have more folks visiting, please consider taking on a Sunday, maybe with a couple of friends to lighten the load. And thank you to the many folks who do regularly support this important ministry!

**Christmas Flowers:** If you wish to donate flowers in memory of a loved one for Christmas, please let us know by Dec. 17. Mark your donation envelope: Donation Christmas Flowers

Gift Cards Reminder to help support our Parish consider purchasing these cards and for those who already do, Thanks!

**A note:** as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, after discussion and prayer we will be retiring the gift card program. For all those who purchase these cards, we thank you and there are still cards available for your Christmas gifts.

Advent for Everyone continues this coming Tuesday, 7:30 - 8:30 pm with final evening of reflections for Advent 4. A watch party has been organized at St. Paul's facilitated by Rev. Bonnie. It is not necessary to sign up with the diocese to attend but please let Rev. Bonnie know if you are coming. If you would like to attend via Zoom at home, please sign up at www.toronto.anglican.ca/spiritualrenewal.

Sessions for Spiritual Renewal: Renewal begins with prayer. Right across our diocese people are praying for spiritual renewal. Let's make a daily commitment to spend at least a few minutes in prayer, drawing close to God, who promises to draw close to us and be at work in and through us.





#### "CONNECTIONS"

before Blue Christmas Service @ 7pm. Join with others for dinner at Symposium Restaurant in Plaza 449 Kent St. Sunday December 22 @ 4:30 or 5pm sign-up sheet on bulletin board in main hall contact person: Donna Gushue

**Christmas Letters** are ready for pickup. Due to the postal strike, you can lend a helping hand by taking one to a friend who may not be able to get to the church. Christmas cards from Rev. Bonnie are now also available for pickup in the hall.



Micah 5: 2-5a (a ruler from Bethlehem)

Luke 1:26-36 (Jesus' birth foretold)

Hebrews 1:1-4 (God spoke by Son)

**Grapevine** Please go to the website <u>https://st-pauls-lindsay.ca/newsletters</u> If you want a hard copy, please let the office know. It is 32 pages.

**The Offer of a Lifetime** for those of us over 50: We are looking for **china teacups** to have on hand for our annual event. *Might you have some you want to go to a good home?* 

The Phone system is up and running for you to make your **Christmas Dinner Reservations** and Volunteer to help. Please let your friends and neighbours know.

The **Vestry List** has now been posted in the Main Hall and at the Russell Street doors. Please take a moment to review it. Any errors or omissions can be submitted to any member of the Parochial Tribunal (Rev. Bonnie, Barb Truax, Betty Hooper, Gail Payne). Such submissions need to be received by December 29.

**Christmas Tea & Concert Thank You's...** Rev. Bonnie & Ray Marshall wish to express their thanks to all those who contributed their time and talent to make the Tea & Concert a wonderful experience. Special thanks to Shirley Williams and her team for the delicious sandwiches & sweets; Paul Carpentier for the fabulous scones; Jo-Anne Burridge and her helpers for decorating the Hall; Myrna Sloboda & "Infinitely More" for blessing us with their musical talent; and Peter Payne for doing the dishes. It is a delight for us to work together to bring this event to you again, and we look forward to what we will offer in 2025. Merry Christmas!

### Upcoming Services Sundays at 10:00 am unless otherwise noted

December 22<sup>nd</sup> – Advent 4 **Lessons & Carols** – with guests December 22<sup>nd</sup> – **Blue Christmas** Evensong (7pm) Tuesday December 24 - **Christmas Eve Candlelight** Service - 7pm Holy Communion Wednesday December 25 - **Christmas Day** - 3:30 Evening Prayer followed by the...**Christmas Day Dinner** (Dine-In only) Phone to pre-book your sit-down dinner reservation by Dec. 21. December 29 – Christmas 1

# **Christmas Happenings**



#### **CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER**

If you are alone on **Christmas Day** or unable to prepare a dinner, we invite you to join us December 25th from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

A short **Evening Prayer** service will also be available at 3:30 pm.

Along with the meal we have music, and good fellowship.

Weekly Schedule:			
Mon. Community C	Choir weekly 7:00 p	m	hall
Tues. ESL*	weekly	9:30 – 11:30	hall
Thurs. ESL*	weekly	9:30 – 11:30	hall
Thurs. Sisterhood	weekly	12:00 – 2:00	hall
Thurs. Handbells	weekly	3:45 pm	upper
Thurs. Choir Rehear	rsal weekly	7:00 pm	sanctuary
Tues. – Fri. Tai Chi	weekly	9:30 – 11:30	upper
3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday	Kawartha Food Sour	co 0.00 11.30	kitchen
3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	Horticultural Society	7:00 – 9:00	hall
*English as a 2 <sup>nd</sup> Language			



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