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DISADVANTAGES TO BEING A PROPHET DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON ... YOU ALWAYS KNOW WHAT YOU ARE GOING TO GET, AND YOU HAVE TO SEE THE COOL STUFF THAT PEOPLE WILL BE GETTING IN THE FUTURE

Claiming God's Promises

"The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land."

(Jeremiah 23:54)



ANGLICAN CHURCH
IN NORTH AMERICA



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Advent Sunday
Sunday, December 3, 2017
10:00 AM



"THE SONGS OF CHRISTMAS ~
BENEDICTUS: THE SONG
OF ZECHARIAH"

LUKE 1:67-79

"Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'"
(John 7:37-38)

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Collect of the Day

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Ministering @ Living Waters Today

Greeters: Ann Edwards & Jenny Fern

Reader: Kyle Joudry

Prayers of the People: Wayne Catel

Chalice Bearers: Derek Waddingham & John Telgmann

Computer: Barb Lutz

Prayer Team: Manasse Maniragaba & Yolande Chan

Kidz Zone: Gracie Doering & Katie Dove

Teen Café: MJ Dove

Fellowship: Heather Waddingham, Janet & Sandra Smith

Counters: Narjis Phillips & Yolande Chan

Set Up: Jerry Zabel & Kyle Joudry

KIDZ ZONE & Teen Cafe

All children from K to Gr. 12 are welcome to join Kidz Zone or Teen Cafe--our Sunday morning children and youth program. Young people and crew are dismissed after the reading and return at Communion. Our K-7 class will be following the **Jesus Story Book Bible** curriculum and our teens will be studying the **Book of James: Faith that Works**. For more information about children and youth ministry at LWAF - or how to serve in this important ministry area, speak to Kathy Doering. Please keep our children, youth, and leaders in your prayers.

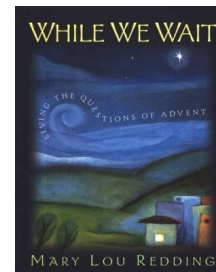
Prepare Ye the Way! An Advent Prayer Night

“Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.” (Isaiah 40:3) Advent begins not with carols and bells or shepherds and stars, but with the prophet’s call to prepare--not our Christmas baking, holiday shopping, or decorating, but a deeper, more personal preparation. He calls us not to prepare our homes, but our hearts, as we watch and wait for the coming of Jesus. As part of our preparation, we will be holding an Advent Prayer Meeting on **Thursday, December 12** at the **Doering Home ~ 726 Chatsworth Place ~ from 7:00 - 9:00 PM.**



All are welcome to join us as we prepare the way for Jesus and make straight the path to our hearts.

Advent Bible Study



This study offers a unique perspective on the events of Christmas, a fifth session for the week of Epiphany, an introduction to the spiritual discipline of breath prayer. Examining biblical figures on whom we don't always focus during Advent, and it provides new ways of connecting participants with their own faith questions.

Somewhat surprisingly, Tamar, Ruth, Mary, Zechariah, Elizabeth, and the Magi ask questions that resonate with contemporary Christians during this season!

Author Mary Lou Redding developed this study to help people who don't want to gloss over their questions about the Christmas story. It looks at Advent as a journey in which God seeks us at many levels of our understanding and spiritual willingness. It allows for real-life struggles and questions as a legitimate part of Advent's spiritual exploration. Join us Friday mornings in Advent, **from 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM** at the Kingston House of Prayer (447 Division St.) For more information, please speak to Fr. Manasse.

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Advent & Christmas Mail Out

The Advent & Christmas mail out is available at the Welcome Table. Letters are filed alphabetically by last name. Please pick yours up before you leave church this morning--this will help cut down the cost of postage. If you are new to *Living Waters*, not on the parish list, or visiting, extra copies are available.



YOU ALSO MUST BE READY

Advent Resources

There are several Advent resources for individuals and families, at the Welcome Table. Please help yourself--these resources are an excellent way to intentionally prepare for the coming of Jesus this Advent and Christmas Season.

Living Waters Community Sharing

Thank you to everyone who brought in warm socks during the month of November. Looking ahead to **January**, we will be collecting **HATS, MITTS, GLOVES, & SCARVES** for men, women and children. Please bring **new** items to church and place them in the basket at the Welcome Table. For more information, speak to Barb Lutz or the Rector.



For Your Prayers

Please hold the following people, places, and petitions in your prayers this week.

The World: Pray for an end to all violence and unrest; for countries in conflict and for the people who live in them--that the whole world would know the peace, justice, and freedom of God.

- For Israel, Palestine, Iraq, Afghanistan, Syria, and parts of Africa.
- For the vulnerable: for women, children, those lost in the sex-trade, refugees, prisoners, and captives.

The Church: Pray for Christians throughout the world as they seek to proclaim the gospel--that Jesus would be known, worshipped, and obeyed.

- For the persecuted church: for Christians in the Middle East, Pakistan, China, and parts of Africa.
 - For our Province (ACNA) and Primate: for Archbishop Foley Beach (& Allison).
 - For our Diocese: for our Diocesan Bishop Charlie Masters (& Judy); Suffragan Bishops: Stephen Leung (& Nona), Trevor Walters (& Dede); Missionary Bishop, Andy Lines (Mandy); retired bishop Don Harvey (& Trudy).
 - For ANiC congregations in **Alberta**: for Living Water Anglican Fellowship, Athabasca; for the Rev. Lyle Lewis; and for all who work and worship in that parish.
 - For our brothers and sisters in Christ ministering with us in Kingston.
 - For our parish & the families of: John McEachern & Beth Insley, Murray Moore, Shirley Murray, David & Nazarene Naseer, Mary Paul.
 - For missionaries at home and abroad--for their safety and protection, as they spread the good news. Pray for the work and ministry of the Salvation Army and the Christmas Kettle Campaign.
 - **Our Country, Province, and City:** for all those in authority--that they would lead with righteousness and truth.
 - Pray for Prime Minister Justin Trudeau; Premier Kathleen Wynne; and Mayor Bryan Paterson.
- The Sick and Suffering:** Pray for all those who cry out for healing in body mind or spirit.
- Pray for those in our parish: Harry, Barb, Juliet, Barbara, Tucker.
 - Pray for our family & friends: Larry, Carolyn, Lowell, Brenda, John, Brian, Lisa, Lise, Rick, Mary-Frances, Phyllis, Caleb.



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Celebrate Christmas

It is the most wonderful time of the year! And the *Celebrate Christmas* team is looking forward to bringing you the good news of Christmas through a wonderful collection of songs, pictures, and film clips. You will hear many of your favourite Christmas songs offered in an exciting and current style as well as some new Christmas songs that you might not have heard before. Each song talks to the joy of Christmas and the reason why we celebrate this special day and this special Christmas season! We'll help you enter the spirit of Christmas with an inspiring and uplifting concert.

This is a great event to bring your non-Christian friends to! *Celebrate Christmas* will be held on **Thursday, December 14th** or **Friday, December 15th** at the Isabel Bader Centre for the Performing Arts, 390 King St. Tickets are \$15 and are available at the Isabel Bader centre or online at www.queensu.ca/thisisabel/content/celebrate-christmas.



The Flow: Prayer Gathering



Prayer played an important role in the establishment of *Living Waters*, and prayer continues to be the most important thing we can do if we want to grow into the church that God has called us to be. As Jesus says in John 15:5; "Apart from me you can do nothing."

Join us at the **Kingston House of Prayer** on **Friday** afternoons from **2:00 PM to 3:00 PM**, for an informal time of prayer for our church, dioceses, city, and world, as we press into God and discern His will for us. Personal prayer will also be available for those who wish to receive. For more information, please speak to Chris or Kathy Doering.

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ADVENT 3 Luncheon

On the 3rd Sunday of Advent--December 17 --our Kidz Zone will be putting on their Annual Christmas Presentation. Following the service, we will continue our celebration with a Luncheon.

If you can provide sandwiches, squares, or veggies and dip, please sign the sheet at the Welcome Table or speak to Kathleen Young. Please mark this on your calendar and plan to attend this morning of worship and fellowship.



Kingston Toy Drive

Once again, we are participating in the **Kingston Toy Drive** sponsored by the Salvation Army and Fly FM. This is a huge undertaking and each donation contributes to providing a memorable and joyful Christmas for families in our city who are in need. Last year, the Toy Drive provided toys for over 2800 local children.

There is a table at the back of the gym holding gifts tags identifying a child's age and gender. Please take a tag (or 2!) and purchase an age-appropriate gift. **Toys must be new and unwrapped. The value should not exceed \$50.** Popular toys this year are: Lego, Star Wars, Barbie, sports equipment, craft supplies, board games, and remote controlled vehicles. Please avoid toys that promote violence. **Unwrapped gifts must be returned with the tags no later than December 10.** For more information, please speak to the Rector.

