

# **SERVING TODAY**

Children's Ministry -Cathy Choi and<br/>Carol MorrisChair Lift -Willard MalcolmCoffee Fellowship -Bessie Shi and<br/>Eileen WangCounting -Joyce Townsend and<br/>Margaret RoweUshering -Dianne Cabral



LAST WEEK - Attendance Zoom / in person = 102 Offering = \$

## **BRIDLEWOOD EVENTS**

| Sun.  | 10 | 2nd Sunday of Advent Worship Service -<br>Via in-person and ZOOM | 10:30 am           |
|-------|----|--|--------------------|
| Tue.  | 12 | CRAFT & CHAT   | 2:00 pm            |
| Wed.  | 13 | Adult Bible Study - Imagine Heaven<br>Youth Connect              | 7:00 pm<br>7:00 pm |
| Thur. | 14 | Choir  | 7:00 pm            |
| Sun.  | 17 | 3rd Sunday of Advent Worship Service -<br>via ZOOM / in-person   | 10:30 am           |
|       |    | Youth Bible Study followed by Luncheon                           | 11:00 am           |

## **PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS**

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**Centenary Hospital** Wilma Castle

Home Margaret D'Aguiar Linda Giles David Leggett Alex Moffat Bev Money Giah Purificacion Alice Wong Bill van Zyl

**Oshawa, ON** June Macaulay

**Shepherd Village "Lodge"** Velma Bricker / Marva Khan

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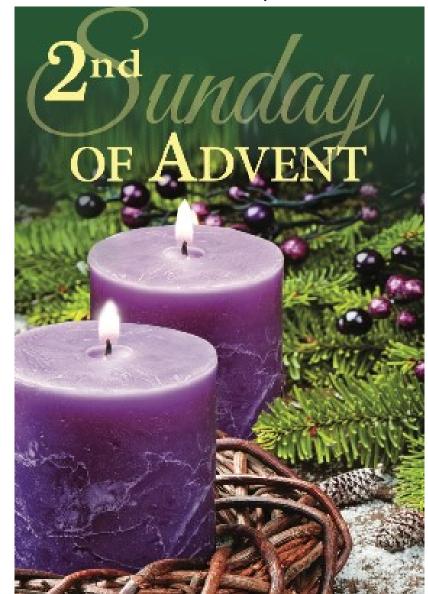
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## WORSHIP SERVICE DECEMBER 10, 2023



#### **BRIDLEWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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### **ORDER OF SERVICE**

GATHERING Prelude Prepare The Way Welcome and Call To Worship Prepare The Way

Candle Litany and Lighting Come Thou Long Expected Jesus Everlasting God

Prayer of Confession Good News and Passing of Peace

You Are Holy (Prince Of Peace)

Ministry of Music – The Choir *"I Heard The Bells On Christmas Day"* 

Prayer for the Children

**WORD** Scripture – Mark 1:1-8 Sermon – "**Peace"** 

TABLE/RESPONSE Offering Ministry Update Praver of Intercession

#### SENDING

Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

Benediction Postlude

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PREPARE THE WAY Jacques Berthier

Prepare the way of the Lord, Prepare the way of the Lord, And all people will see the salvation of our God.

COME, THOU LONG-EXPECTED JESUS W&C #124

Come, thou long-expected Jesus Born, to set thy people free From our fears and sins release us; Let us find our rest in Thee. Israel's strength and consolation, Hope of all the earth Thou art; Dear Desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver, Born a Child, and yet a King. Born to reigh in us forever, Now thy gracious kingdom bring. By thine own eternal Spirit Rule in all our hearts alone; By Thine all sufficient merit, Raise us to Thy glorious throne. EVERLASTING GOD Brenton Brown et al

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord Our God You reign forever Our hope our strong Deliv'rer

> Chorus You are the everlasting God The everlasting God You do not faint You won't grow weary You're the defender of the weak You comfort those in need You lift us up on wings like eagles

YOU ARE HOLY Mark Imboden / Tammi Rhoton

Men: You are holy (Women ECHO) You are mighty (ECHO) You are worthy (ECHO) Worthy of praise (ECHO) I will follow (ECHO) I will listen (ECHO) I will love You (ECHO) All of my days (ECHO)

Chorus (Women) You are Lord of lords You are King of kings You are mighty God Lord of ev'rything You're Emmanuel You're the Great I Am You're the Prince of Peace who is the Lamb You're the living God You're my saving grace You will reign forever You are Ancient of Days You are Alpha Omega Beginning and End You're my Savior, Messiah, Redeemer and Friend You're my Prince of Peace And I will live my life for You

> Chorus (Men) I will sing to and worship The King who is worthy And I will love and adore Him And I will sing to and worship The King who is worthy And I will love and adore Him And I will bow down before Him You're my Prince of Peace And I will live my life for You

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING W&C #133

Hark! The herald angels sing, Glory to the newborn King; Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled! Joyful, all ye nations, rise, Join the triumph of the skies; With th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King." Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo (repeat)

Christ, by highest heav'n adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord! Late in time behold Him come, Offspring of the Virgin's womb: Veiled in flesh the Godhead see; Hail th'incarnate Deity, Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.

Hail the heav'n born Prince of Peace! Hail the Sun of Righteousness! Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with healing with His wings. Mild He lays His glory by, Born that man no more may die, Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth.

## WHAT IS "LEADING WITH CARE"?

"Leading with Care is a Policy for Ensuring a Climate of Safety for Children, Youth and Vulnerable Adults in The Presbyterian Church in Canada"

The Leading with Care policy is not about us as individuals. It is about us as a body of Christ a denomination—trying to ensure the highest quality of ministry by offering our best to Christ and working to make sure that the worst does not happen. It is a time for entering the age of lost innocence, whether real or imagined.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada is committed to providing safe environments for all persons, including children, youth, vulnerable adults, and those who minister to and with them. The church's ministry includes times of worship, service, study and play in all milieus (e.g. church courts, congregations, camps) that fall under the jurisdiction of The Presbyterian Church in Canada. All staff, both volunteer and paid, must support this policy.

For more information about "Leading with Care" in the Presbyterian Church in Canada, visit the <u>PCC website</u> or speak to David Townsend.

## **MISSION MOMENTS**

### Sunday, DECEMBER 10, 2023

In northern Ghana, people living with disabilities face a range of issues, such as widespread poverty, limited access to livelihood opportunities and health care, and social barriers to full inclusion. Political, environmental, and economic challenges work together to create those difficult conditions. **PWS&D** works with the Presbyterian Church of Ghana in a Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBR) program to address these challenges through vocational skills training programs such as soap and pomade making. Ateni Lois, a participant in the soap-making class, expresses her gratitude, stating, "We are so grateful to the CBR program and **PWS&D** for equipping us with the skills to be able to produce soap and pomade for money. Very soon, we will be in good business and will be out of poverty in our respective communities."



#### **IN MEMORIAM POINSETTIAS**

As in years past, if you would like to donate a poinsettia in memory of a loved one at Christmas, you may do so by bringing your plant or plants when you come to church on Sundays leading up to Christmas and let Dianne know the name and relationship of the person you are honouring.

A list of those being remembered will be included in the weekly Bulletins, and the plants can be sent to the Shut-in folk after Christmas to bring them some cheer for the Season; or you can take them home to decorate your own place, **but please do not leave them in the Church as there will be no one here to water them.** 

#### **DAILY PRAYER TOPICS**

**Sunday, December 10 – Advent II** – As we light the candle of peace today, pray that the outreach ministries of our congregations may shine the light of Emmanuel into the darkness of poverty, grief, and loneliness, and bring people peace.

**Monday, December 11** – As many of our congregations host special events and meals over the next couple of weeks, pray that they may be blessed and grow in their faith and commitment to the Lord.

**Tuesday, December 12** – Pray that young people in our churches may continue to encounter Jesus in ways that transform their hearts and minds, and that they may become leaders in our congregations.

**Wednesday, December 13** – First Presbyterian Church, Trail British Columbia, is hosting their annual Community Christmas Dinner today. Pray that many will come and be blessed.

**Thursday, December 14** – Pray for the Rev. Mikal Schomburg and the congregation of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Simcoe, Ontario, as they seek to be a witness in their community to the transforming love of Jesus.

**Friday, December 15** – Pray for the Rev. Robert Rowlands and the Rev. David Sturtevant as they provide pastoral leadership to the Presbyterian churches in Newfoundland and Labrador, that these ministries may be a blessing to their communities.

**Saturday, December 16** – Pray that our churches and church leaders may discover anew God's purpose for His church: to bring good news to our communities through the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT "PEACE"



Also known as the Bethlehem Candle, this second candle of Advent signifies the journey of Joseph and Mary to the City of David.

But you, Bethlehem-Ephrathah, too small to be among the clans of Judah, From you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel.

-Micah 5:2

#### THANK YOU

On Wednesday, December 6th Pam Farquhar, Celia Watson and Dianne Cabral delivered **85 lap blankets** to the wheelchair residents of **Carefree Lodge Senior's Home** (Bayview/Finch). The staff at the Home were overwhelmingly impressed by all the work that the ladies of the **BPC Craft & Chat group** put into making these lap blankets and photos will be forthcoming in due course as they distribute them to the residents over the Christmas Season.

In addition, on Thursday, December 7th Dianne delivered **30 pairs of Mittens** generously made and donated to us by **members and friends of Bridlewood**, to Timberbank Junior Public School and the Principal could not have been happier to receive them. Children seem to lose their mittens on a regular basis, and for the school staff to have extras on hand to distribute from time to time, was a blessing in itself for which the Principal was extremely grateful.

Distribution of warm winter items will continue next week as we source various places where they are truly needed especially for the homeless and the needy.