Communion

HYMN 117 Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

**Prayer After Communion** 

Celebrant: All your works praise you, O Lord.

All: 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 his 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.

Doxology Blessing

**HYMN 103** "On Jordon's Bank, the Baptist's Cry

Postlude:



## Prayers this Week

The Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of Bangladesh and their Bishop.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: St. Andrew's, Harrow; St. Mark's-by-the-Lake, Tecumseh; All Saints' & Church of the Ascension in Windsor. For God's Healing Presence: Jim, Pete, Sue, Jack, Donna, Steve, Scott, Sherry, Mary, Codey, Carl, Georgina, Ian, Andrew, Bridget, Sara, Kevin, Josee, Glenn, all First Responders and members of the Canadian Armed Forces.

# Sarnia Dec 7, 2025 Second Sunday of Advent



Please take advantage of the hearing devices located at the back of the church (by the sound system)



#### WELCOME

We welcome everyone to our services today. We encourage our guests to take a moment to sign your name and address in the guest book at the back of the nave.

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist B.C.P. P. 67

Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72:1-11 p. 418 Matthew 3:1-12

10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist B.A.S.

Christmas Carols Sing: Carol 118 O Come, All Ye Faithful (v 1-3)

Carol 119 Silent Night, Holy Night (v1-3)

Carol 123 Once in Royal David's City (v 1-3)

Carol 140 It Came Upon the Midnight Clear (v 1, 2, 5)

**Announcements** 

# **Gathering the Community**

**HYMN 106** There's a Voice in the Wilderness

**Greeting:** *Presider: From the Christ...be with you all.* 

Assembly: And also with you.

**Collect for Purity** 

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Lighting of the Advent Wreath** (sung X2)

Light one candle for peace, one bright candle for peace. He brings peace to ev'ry heart. He comes! He comes! Light one candle for peace, one bright candle for peace. He brings peace to ev'ry heart. He comes! He comes!

### **Second Sunday of Advent**

Leader: In joyful expectation, let us call out to Christ, who is our salvation. (pause) Lord, you come as the messenger of the good news of God's salvation. (pause) Lord, come and save us.

All: Lord, come and save us.

Leader: Lord,

you come and bring forth in us

a rich harvest of justice and peace. (pause)

Lord, come and save us.

All: Lord, come and save us.

Leader: Lord,

come to build your Kingdom among us,

for we are ready! (pause) Lord, come and save us.

All: Lord, come and save us.

Let us pray. (pause)

God of power and mercy,

open our hearts to welcome you.

Remove those things

which stop us from showing love,

so that we can show that we are one with Christ.

We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord

**Trisagion** (Sung) Holy God, holy and mighty,

holy immortal one, have mercy upon us.

Collect of the Day

#### **Proclaiming the Word**

First Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10 Lynda Lewis

Psalm 72:1-11 (Handout) (Refrain, Johann Cruger, 1640)

**Second Reading:** Romans 15:4-13 Gord Loeven

**HYMN 101** Hail to the Lord's Anointed (vs 1-2)

**Holy Gospel:** Matthew 3:1-12 The Rev Karen Nelles

**HYMN 101** Hail to the Lord's Anointed (vs 3-4)

**Sermon** Susan Memedovich



**Anthem "Gaudete!"** (2009) by Anne Mizen (Gaudete means "Rejoice Ye")

When the snow drifts on the hill, And the earth lies frozen, Come to us Emmanuel, Set our hearts in motion! Gaudete, Jesu Christus natus est! Gaudete, Alleluia!

When the winter wind that blows, Probes with icy fingers, Cast aside our fear and woes, banish doubt that lingers! Gaudete, Jesu Christus natus est! Gaudete, Alleluia! Gaudete, Jesu Christus natus est! Gaudete, Alleluia!

When the day is fading soon And for light we're yearning, See the star that from afar Bright with hope is burning. Gaudete, Jesu Christus natus est! Gaudete, Alleluia! Gaudete, Jesu Christus natus est! Gaudete, Alleluia! Gaudete, Jesu Christus natus est! Gaudete, Alleluia!

Deer of the forest, sheep of field, hear the angels singing!
Man and woman, listen too, hear the news they're bringing!
Gaudete, Jesu Christus natus est! Gaudete, Alleluia!

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ANGUS DEI Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.	-
Jesus, Bearer of our sins, have mercy on	us.
Jesus, Redeemer, Redeemer of the world	d,

give us your peace, give us your peace.