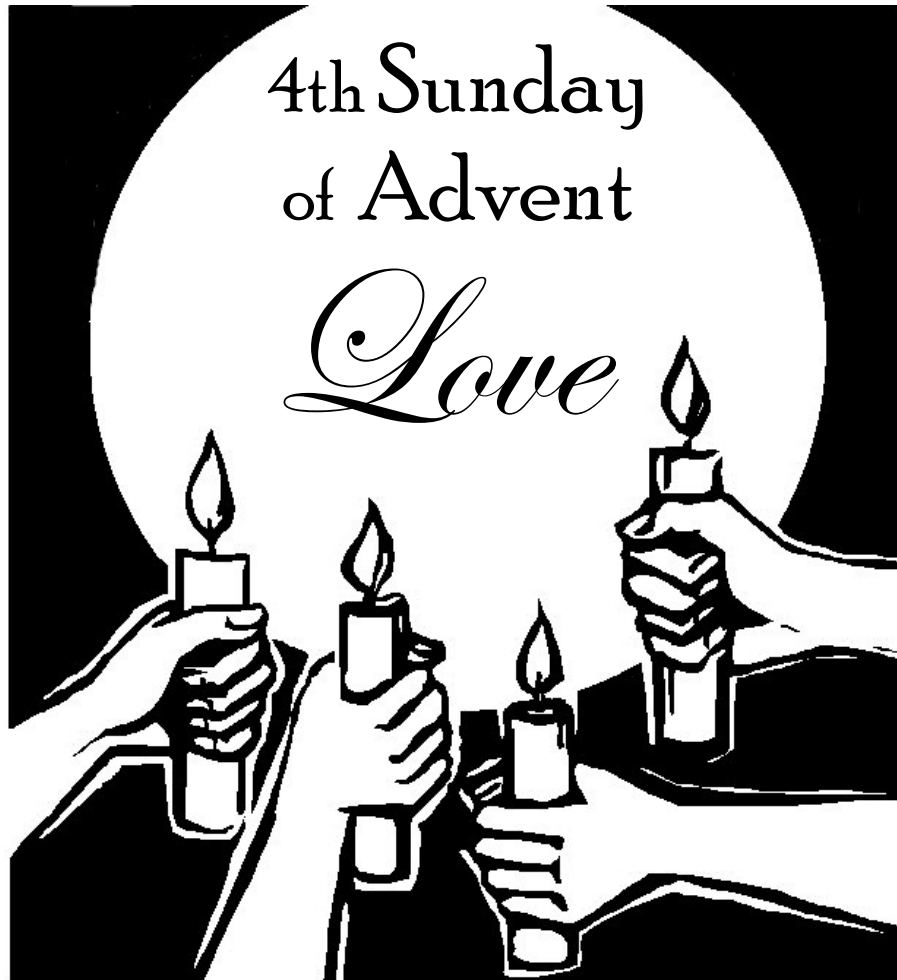




St Hilda's By the Sea Anglican Church

Open Doors · Open Hearts · Open Minds

December 23, 2018 † 10:00 am Family Eucharist



#### WHO IS WHO IN OUR WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

**Celebrant & Preacher:** The Rev Clarence Li  
**Musicians:** Katherine Hume & St. Hilda's Choir  
**Greeter/Usher:** Eric Paetkau, Liz Miller  
**Prayers:** Stephanie Moul  
**Reader:** Janet McIntosh  
**Lay Administrator:** David Moul  
**Sacristan:** Carol Eades

**Crucifer:** Janet McIntosh  
**Coffee:**  
**Altar Guild:** Liz Miller, Linda kern  
**Altar Flowers:** Given by Jacqueline Allen-Gye to the glory of God in thanks for The Rev. Clarence Li, The Ven Bruce Morris and the community of St. Hilda's.



### **WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH**

Whoever you are, and wherever you find yourself in your journey of faith, you will find a place at our table at St. Hilda's Anglican Church. Come as you are. There are many ways and there is no one particular way to be a part of this vibrant community. Join us today with an open mind, and be prepared to discover a home for your spirit that is inclusive, incarnational, and joyful.

### **WHO WE ARE**

St. Hilda, situated on the unceded ancestral lands of the shíshálh First Nation, is a member of the Anglican Church of Canada & the worldwide Anglican Communion. As a community, we welcome & celebrate human diversity - including spirituality, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, and abilities. We aim to create a space where people of any faith or none can question & discover the sacred in life through openness, struggle, laughter and prayer, lived out through a common commitment to be in solidarity with the poor & marginalized, and to cherish creation.

### **CHILDREN**

During the school year, children are invited to gather for a Children's Commissioning at the beginning of the service and then head out to Sunday School. They return in time for Communion—the Lord's supper (grape juice is available for communing).

### **HOLY COMMUNION**

ALL are welcome to come forward and receive communion, the divine life of Jesus which comes to us in gifts of bread and wine. Come as you are. Instructions for newcomers joining this meal for the first time are printed in the bulletin.

### **♿ ♻️ ♿ ACCESSIBILITY**

Parking for people with disabilities is available next to the Meditation Labyrinth. You are welcome to bring your walker or wheelchair into the hall. There are also large print bulletins available in the entry.

## ✠ The Gathering of Community ✠

### Prelude

### Introduction & Welcome

*All rise as able as Sanctuary party processes in.*

🎵 **94 Introit** *sung with repeats until all have processed in ..... Wait for the Lord*

### Lighting of the Advent Candle of Peace

**Leader** The first Advent candle represents our call to hope.  
The second Advent candle represents our call to peace.  
The third candle represents our call to joy  
Today we light the fourth Advent candle,  
which represents our call to love  
This candle is a symbol of God's love,  
revealed in the baby Jesus.  
It is a symbol of God's love, which is alive in each of us today.

**PEOPLE** **O God of Love,**  
**your love is present everywhere,**  
**and your purpose is revealed in love.**  
**We are called to be your people of love.**  
**Help us to love one another.**  
**Help us to show love to all the world.**

🎵 **89 Opening Hymn** ..... *O Come, O Come Emmanuel vs. 1-4, 7*

### Greeting

**Celebrant** The night has now passed and the day lies open before us.

**PEOPLE** **Let us greet the beginning of a new week in Christ**  
**and acknowledge, with thanksgiving, the circle of life.**

Facing East *(towards the rising sun)*

**Celebrant** O risen Christ

**PEOPLE** **The image of the invisible God,**  
**firstborn of all creation, in whom all things hold together,**  
**We welcome the radiance of your holy Presence.**

Facing South

**Celebrant** O risen Christ

**PEOPLE** **In whom we live and move and have our being**  
**We affirm the wonder of creation**  
**and a world of humbling needs.**  
**We welcome your Word**  
**to reveal paths of faith, hope and love.**

Facing West

**Celebrant** O risen Christ

*cont'd over →*

**PEOPLE** Through whom the deep mystery of God  
is revealed and made known  
We welcome the fresh winds of your Spirit  
to awaken us to your summons.

Facing North

**Celebrant** O risen Christ

**PEOPLE** We stand as a people of the north  
and of this West Coast.  
We commit ourselves once again to you,  
and call out our praise to you, our Creator and Sustainer.

Facing the Cross

**Celebrant** Let the earth rejoice. Let the coast be glad.

**PEOPLE** Let the earth sing out its praise.  
Rejoice together.  
Again, I say rejoice.

**The Collect of the Day**

**Celebrant** May God be with you.

**PEOPLE** And also with you.

**Celebrant** Let us pray. Eternal God,

**ALL** as Mary waited for the birth of your Son,  
so we wait for his coming in glory;  
bring us through the birth pangs of this present age  
to see, with here, our great salvation,  
Jesus the Promised One. Amen.

*All are seated*

**Children's Time**

*Children are invited to gather in the front before leaving for Sunday School. As they head out for Sunday School, we sing Many are the Light Beams:*

✠ The Proclamation of the Word of God ✠

Man - y are the light - beams from the one light.

Our one light is Je - sus.

Man - y are the light - beams from the one

The image shows three staves of musical notation in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is simple and repetitive. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The first staff contains the first line of the hymn, the second staff contains the second line, and the third staff contains the third line. The lyrics are: 'Man - y are the light - beams from the one light.' on the first staff, 'Our one light is Je - sus.' on the second staff, and 'Man - y are the light - beams from the one' on the third staff.



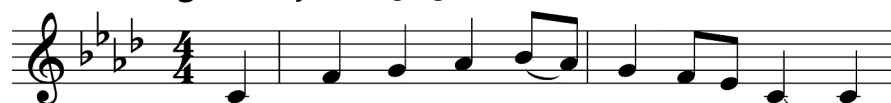
*After each reading, there will be a short time of quiet meditation*

**The First Reading:** Micah 5:2-5a .....Janet McIntosh

**Reader** Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**ALL** Thanks be to God.

**Canticle Song of Mary** *All sing together*



1. My soul gives glo - ry to my God. My
2. My God has done great things for me;
3. From age to age to all who fear, Such
4. Love casts the might - y from their thrones, pro-
5. Praise God, whose lov - ing cov - e - nant sup-



heart pours out its praise. God  
Ho - ly is her name. All  
mer - cy love im - parts, Dis-  
motes the in - se - cure, Leaves  
ports those in dis - tress, Re-



lift - ed up my low - li - ness in  
peo - ple will de - clare me blessed and  
pens - ing jus - tice far and near, dis-  
hun - gry spir - its sat - is - fied, the  
mem - ber - ing past prom - is - es with



man - y mar - vel - ous ways.  
bless - ings they shall claim.  
miss - ing self - ish hearts.  
rich seem sud - den - ly poor.  
pres - ent faith - ful - ness.

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 10:5-10 .....Janet McIntosh

**Reader** Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**ALL** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual Hymn** .....Magnificat (Latin-Eng-Latin)

Canon (A) (B)

Ma - gní - fi - cat, ma - gní - fi - cat, Ma - gní - fi - cat á - ni - ma  
Sing out my soul. Sing out my soul. Sing out and glo - ri - fy the

(C)

me - a Dó - mi - num. Ma - gní - fi - cat, ma - gní - fi - cat,  
Lord who sets us free. Sing out my soul. Sing out my soul.

(D)

Ma - gní - fi - cat á - ni - ma me - a!  
Sing out and glo - ri - fy the Lord God!

*All rise as able.*

**The Gospel** Luke 1:39-45

**Celebrant** May God be with you.

**PEOPLE** And also with you.

**Celebrant** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**PEOPLE** Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

*After reading*

**Celebrant** The Gospel of Christ.

**PEOPLE** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

**Gradual Hymn** .....Magnificat (Latin-Eng-Latin)

*All are seated.*

**Sermon** ..... The Rev Clarence Li

*After the reflection, remain seated for a short quiet meditation.*

**Affirmation of Faith** *Wisdom Tradition*

I believe in one God, a divine mystery  
beyond all definition and rational understanding.  
the heart of all that has ever existed,  
that exists now, or that ever will exist.

I believe in Jesus, messenger of God's Word,  
bringer of God's healing, heart of God's compassion,

**bright star in the firmament of God's  
prophets, mystics, and saints.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the life of God that is our innermost life,  
the breath of God moving in our being,  
the depth of God living in each of us.**

**I believe in a future on this earth  
when all will be God-centered and God-conscious,  
when we will learn to live in love and peace,  
in the fellowship of brothers and sisters.**

**I believe that in death,  
life is changed, not taken away,  
and that we will go from step to step  
in God's life, God's love, and God's glory for all eternity. Amen.**

### **The Prayers of the People**

*Please stand, sit or kneel according to your praying custom. Names upheld in the prayers can be found on the Parish Prayer List on page 16. You are also welcome to name your loved one(s) aloud or silently in your heart.*

### **Confession and Absolution**

**Celebrant** Lord Jesus, you wept over the sins of your city,  
On our city: Lord, have mercy.

**PEOPLE** Lord have mercy.

**Celebrant** Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds  
of sin and division, jealousy and bitterness.  
On us: Christ, have mercy.

**PEOPLE** Christ have mercy.

**Celebrant** Lord Jesus, you bring pardon and peace to the sinner.  
Grant us peace: Lord, have mercy.

**PEOPLE** Lord have mercy.

**Celebrant** Almighty God,  
who in Jesus Christ has given us  
a kingdom that cannot be destroyed,  
forgive you your sins,  
open your eyes to God's truth,  
strengthen you to do God's will  
and give you the joy of his kingdom,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**ALL** Amen

**The Peace** *Please rise as able as we share the peace of the Lord.*

**Celebrant** The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**PEOPLE** And also with you.

## ✠ The Holy Communion ✠

### The Offertory

*During the hymn, the bread and wine are presented alongside with the offering of money for mission and ministry, given on the plate or through the Pre-Authorized Donation Program (PAD), to symbolize the offering of ourselves and of the whole creation to God in thanksgiving for the many blessings we experience.*

**Offertory Hymn** ..... *Beautiful Presence*

Beau - ti - ful pre - sence, how can we  
times of spi - ri - tual  
hap - pens to us will be

name you? Words are too small for the one who is  
blind - ness, when er - ror and pain have dis - stort - ed our  
wast - ed, all of our liv - ing is ground - ed in

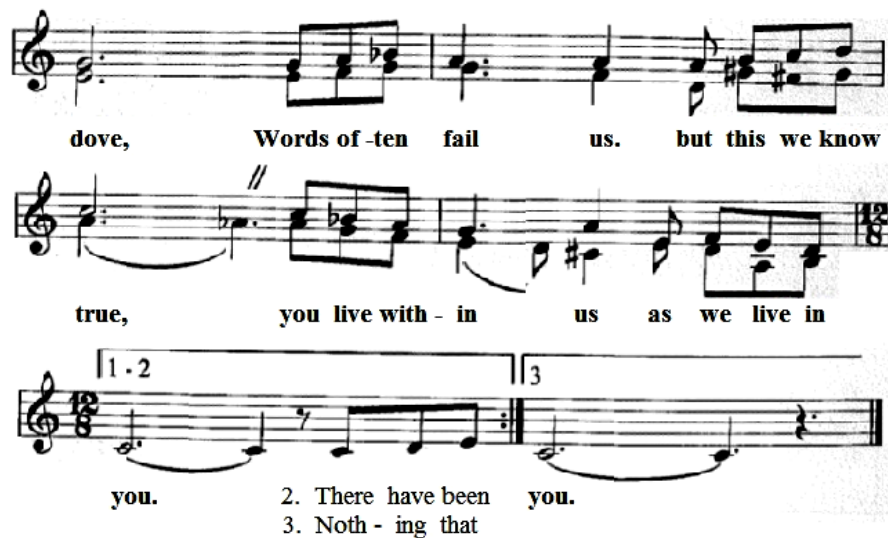
all. How can we speak of your gen - tle - ness  
sight. Beau - ti - ful pres - ence, you were there  
grace. Gent - ly you take down the walls of di -

in us, the warmth of our hearts in re - sponse to your  
with us, to show us how dark - ness can turn in - to  
vi - sion, lead - ing us on to a larg - er

call?  
light.  
place. Beau - ti - ful pre - sence, o - cean of

love, strong as for - e - ver, soft as a





### Prayer over the Gifts

Celebrant Gracious God,

**PEOPLE** by the power of the Spirit  
who sanctified the mother of your Son,  
make holy all we offer you this day.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

### Eucharistic Prayer of the West Coast

*Eucharist means "thanksgiving." This is a ritual meal to re-enact the Last Supper that Jesus shared with his friends to remind them of his sacrificial love for humanity and the whole creation. All stand as able.*

Celebrant God is here.

**PEOPLE** The Spirit is with us.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts and minds.

**PEOPLE** We lift them to God.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to God the Creator.

**PEOPLE** It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant Holy and eternal One, in whom we live and move and have our being....

....you humble us and affirm the sacred gift of all creation,  
calling us to care for everything given and received.

**PEOPLE** Glory to you, source of all life!

Celebrant From the earliest days the peoples of this coast  
learned their dependence on your provision....

....they hallowed these sacred relationships with all life.

**PEOPLE** Glory to you, source of all life!

Celebrant In Jesus Christ, you came into our world to reveal your glory.

....

....we raise our thankful voices with the saints of every time  
and place in songs of unending praise singing:

### Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of power and might,  
heav'n and earth are full, full of your glo -  
ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the  
high - est. Bless - ed is the one who comes, who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Celebrant Blessed are you, most holy One....

...This is my blood...do this in remembrance of me.

**PEOPLE "Behold, I am with you to the end of the age."**

Celebrant Therefore, God of all creation,....

...and follow him in lives of selfless service and courageous  
love.

**PEOPLE Glory to you, source of all life!**

Celebrant In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ,...

...One God, now and forever.

**ALL Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

**Celebrant** Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**ALL** Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come.  
Your will be done on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.

## The Breaking of the Bread

**Celebrant** God of promise, you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

**PEOPLE** Happy are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

## Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the  
world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a - way the sins of the world:  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

## The Invitation

### Receiving Communion

*If you know the brokenness of life, its fractures within and its division without, then you have participated in the broken body of Christ and you are invited to share in the breaking of bread. If you desire to know the love of God that overcomes indifference and despair, if you desire the reconciliation that overcomes estrangement and alienation, then you are invited to share the cup of the new covenant.*

*The bread is received in the open palm. It is usual Anglican practice to drink the wine from the common cup. Wine and unfermented grape juice are served. If you would prefer to receive a gluten-free wafer or grape juice, please inform the person administering the bread or wine when they approach you. If you would*

*prefer to receive a blessing instead of Communion, you are welcome to come forward and place your hands across your chest.*

**Choir Anthem** ..... Hope is a Star

**Prayer After Communion**

**Celebrant** Faithful God,

**ALL** in this sacrament we receive the promise of salvation.

May we, like Mary, be obedient to your will.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

**Family Thanksgiving & Announcements**

*All are invited to share any birthdays, anniversaries or other celebrations.*

*Our parish tradition is to say the following prayer by sharing eye-contact with those around us. All stand as able.*

**Celebrant** Glory to God,

**PEOPLE** Whose power, working in us,

can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.

Glory to God from generation to generation,

in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Blessing**

**Celebrant** May the God who brings heaven close to earth  
give truth to our judgement  
and flame to our longing  
that our hearts might be ready  
to be born again in love;  
and the blessing of God, Source of all life,  
Eternal Word, and Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**ALL** Amen.

🎵 **572 Recessional Hymn** ..... Let There Be Light

**Dismissal** **ALL** Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

**Postlude**



## *Advent/Christmas Season at St. Hilda's*

### **Sunday December 23 Fourth Sunday of Advent**

4 pm Winter Solstice Drum Circle

### **Monday December 24 Christmas Eve**

7 pm Christmas Family Drop-in Pageant and Holy Communion

10 pm Contemplative Candlelight Eucharist

### **Tuesday December 25 Christmas Day**

10 am Holy Eucharist

### **Sunday December 30 First Sunday after Christmas**

10 am Christmas Festival of Lessons and Carols

### **Saturday January 5 Sing and Stand with Land Defenders**

7 - 9 pm with Rev. Emilie Smith & Patti Powell

### **Sunday January 6 Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord**

8:30 & 10 am Eucharist

#### **This Sunday's liturgy has been compiled from various sources, including:**

- Greeting and Eucharistic Prayer B (adaptation approved for trial use at St. Hilda's) from *A Eucharistic Liturgy for the Islands and Inlets* from Anglican Diocese of BC, 2018.
- Collect from *Common Worship: Additional Collects* (2004)
- Advent lighting liturgy written by Janet Morley, Christian Aid
- Affirmation of Faith *The Faith of a Thomas Believer* from "The Gospel of Thomas: A guidebook for Spiritual Practice" by Ron Miller and Stevan Davies, SkyLight Paths: Nashville, 2004.
- Confession and Absolution from *New Patterns for Worship Church of England*.
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## Parish Events and Notices



**St. Hilda's gratefully acknowledges the Anglican Foundation of Canada as a generous sponsor of the Capital Campaign Project in rebuilding our Sanctuary.** The work of the Foundation is made possible through the devotion, generosity, and collective goodwill of hundreds of donors. The support of dedicated Anglicans of all ages makes it possible to sustain the Foundation in the ministry of generosity to the Canadian Church.

### **Art Exhibit of Victorian stained glass**

Two lancet windows from the firm Clayton & Bell, made in 1885, will be on loan from Dick Clayton for the seasons of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany.

Clayton and Bell was one of the most prolific and proficient English workshops of stained glass during the latter half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century & early 20<sup>th</sup> century. The partners were John Richard Clayton (great-grandfather of Dick Clayton) and Alfred Bell. The company was founded in 1855 and continued until 1993. Their windows are found throughout the United Kingdom, in the United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand. Clayton and Bell's commercial success was due to the high demand for stained-glass windows at the time, their use of the best quality glass available, the excellence of their designs and their employment of efficient factory methods of production. (Wikipedia)

**Sing and Stand with Land Defenders:** Saturday January 5, 7-9 pm in Sanctuary  
Land Defenders from the T'seil-Watuth Nation on Burrard Inlet—to the Neperara Nation in Colombia are fighting for their Holy Lands and Waters. How can we stand with them? Come and spend time with the Emilie Smith, Anglican Priest, and Patti Powell, Community Choir Director. Emilie will be speaking about her recent trip to Colombia, up the Naya River, and linking this with her experiences with the pipeline resistance. Patti is an outstanding, gifted teacher of singing (check out [pattipwellchoirs.com](http://pattipwellchoirs.com)). She will teach us songs that are about connecting with one another and with the source of all life.

**Coffee Servers for 2019:** Do you enjoy having coffee/tea after the service? Would you consider volunteering to help set-up/clean-up twice a year? The 2019 list is being drawn up and we need more people to help out with the coffee. Please see Amelia Foster if you think you can help with this service.

**Update on Ndandini Scholarship donation:** Our partner, the Sunshine Coast Rotary Club was informed recently by the Belleville Rotary Club that the Belleville Club is no longer able to be the Canadian charity to forward the fund to the Rotary Club in Kenya. This would mean that until a new charity with the ability to forward funds overseas is found, all new donations collected for Ndandini scholarship are not eligible for a charitable donation receipt for income tax purpose based on CRA regulations. If you have given to Ndandini Scholarship re-

cently, your donations may not be eligible for a 2018 tax-deductible receipt as a result. If this is a problem for you and you would like to redirect the funds to another cause or have your donations refunded, please contact Maggie Scott, Envelope Secretary. The Sunshine Coast Rotary Club is applying for its own charity status currently to prevent the same situation from happening in the future.

**St. Hilda Cookbook Correction:** For *Honey Fruit Bars* on p. 107, 2 Tbsps of flour should be **2 Cups** of flour.

#### **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**The Twelve Days of Christmas MOTET Concert:** Friday January 4 at 2:00 pm at St. Hilda's. A choral concert featuring Anthems and Carols for the Christmas Season

**Vocal Intent Concert:** Sunday January 6 at 3:00 pm at St. Bart's

#### **Readings for December 30, First Sunday after Christmas**

Lessons and Carols

Psalm: 148 Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

<b>Week At-a-Glance at St. Hilda's</b>			
<b>Sun 23</b>	8:30 am 10:00 am 4:00 pm	Traditional Eucharist Family Eucharist & Sunday School Solstice Native Drumming Circle	Sanctuary Sanctuary Sanctuary
<b>Mon 24</b>	7:00 pm 10:00 pm	Christmas Family Drop-in Pageant Candlelight Eucharist	Sanctuary Sanctuary
<b>Tues 25</b>	10:00 am	Christmas Day Eucharist	Sanctuary
<b>December 25-28</b>		<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	
<b>Sun 30</b>	10:00 am	Combined Service: Lessons & Carols with Eucharist	Sanctuary
<b>Tuesday January 01</b>		<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	

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PARISH PRAYER FOR THE WEEK	
<b>Anglican Communion</b>	Kubwa - ( Abuja, Nigeria) The Rt Revd Duke Akamisoko
<b>Diocese &amp; Partners</b>	_____ Holy Trinity Mission in Bantey (twinned with St. Hilda's) Companion Diocese: Bishop Brent Alawas, & the Clergy & People of the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines BC Synod of the ELCIC, Bishop Gregory Mohr
<b>Local Agencies</b>	Foster Parents
<b>Local Churches</b>	Pender Harbour Pentecostal
<b>Justice Umbrella</b>	Kenya: the Community Greenhouses
<b>Prayer Requests</b>	Carolyn: healing Mary Gordon: strength during rehab treatment for stroke George & JoAnne: comfort while awaiting prognosis Phyllis Hensch: back pain & peace of mind Larry Jones: recovery from stroke Lukas: continued recovery from infection complications
<b>Rest in Peace</b>	Jenny Roberts, Barbara Lightfoot
<b>Parish Families</b>	Carol & Ted Eades, Maggie Edwards, Franz Erber, Amelia Foster, Garry & Roberta Foxall

*Prayer requests are listed for 4 weeks - to extend, please contact the office.*