

## **Eblast for December 17, 2025**

### Please join us SUNDAY for In Person Worship



# The Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 21, 2025 Holy Eucharist – 10:30AM

Presided by: The Rev. Brendon Bedford, Priest & Rector; Homilist: John Howard, Lay Reader.

**The readings are**: Isaiah 7:10-16; Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-25.

#### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **The Midweek Said BCP Eucharist is offered today** and every Wednesday, beginning at 12:00noon in the chapel. All are welcome.



2. Continuing Advent Project - Wednesdays at 1:00pm.

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025, following The Midweek Eucharist, we begin with the reading of Mark -- over several weeks. It's a reading -- not a discussion, not a prayer service.

If you plan to come to both, the reading and the Midweek Eucharist, consider bringing a lunch. There will be time to grab a bite between the service and the Bible session. No registration or cost to this is required – just show up.

#### 3. UPCOMING CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Christmas Eve Choral & Candlelight	Thurs., Dec. 24	7:00 PM
Christmas Day,- Said, Holy Eucharist	Fri, Dec. 25	10:30 AM
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas – Choral	Sun., Dec 28	10:30 AM
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Christmas – Choral	Sun., Jan 4	10:30 AM



4. WE ARE GRATEFUL! Thank you to those who donated nativity scenes. They adorn our display shelves below the stained glass windows in the nave, providing the Christmas décor and spirit of the season. They will stay until Epiphany which is January 6. We also thank our Chancel Guild and BAC for acquiring the Christmas tree, and decorating the church -- it looks lovely!

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5. The Free Community Breakfast is offered this Monday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>. It will be paused Monday, December 29<sup>th</sup>, resuming January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026 to allow volunteers a much-needed holiday. Thank you so much Free Community Breakfast organizers & volunteers.

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Diocesan Council Highlights - here is a link to the latest from October and November - <a href="https://mailchi.mp/huron.anglican.ca/diocesan-council-highlights-april-17993569?e=0e2a87efc9">https://mailchi.mp/huron.anglican.ca/diocesan-council-highlights-april-17993569?e=0e2a87efc9</a>.

Paper copies are posted on our bulletin boards.

7. The Longterm Care Christmas service will be offered on Tuesday, December 23, 2025 at 10:15AM. A communion will be offered for anyone there wishing to receive it.

SAVE THE DATE

- 8. SAVE THE DATE: The Robbie Burns Dinner will be our first event in 2026 Fri, Jan.
- **23, 2026**. Watch for news on this traditional dinner/event— the piping in of the haggis, entertainment, etc. in future eblasts and on our website here.
- 9. **The Cookie Exchange** went very well (for the first time offered). We thank those who organized it and those who contributed the beautiful array of cookies for the exchange. See pictures following.
- 10. During these winter months, if there is a forecast of poor weather &/or road conditions, please check our website **www.christchurchanglican.ca** or facebook page **https://www.facebook.com/ChristChurchMeaford/** for possible cancellation of service or for more information.

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## THIS ADVENT, WHAT IF YOU READ AN ENTIRE **GOSPEL FROM START** TO FINISH?

Come and read it with us! Four readers will read aloud from the Gospel of Luke each week. Come and read, or just drop-in and listen throughout Advent, and hear the complete story.

Not a Bible study. Not a discussion group. Just hearing Good News, togther.

Wednesdays at 1:00 PM





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We are thankful for music & voices! - submitted by Keiko Yoden-Kuepfer



A stunning array of Christmas cookies

