



**Trinity – Clifton Pastoral Charge  
United Church of Canada**



**December 17, 2017 10:30 a.m.**

**Third Sunday in Advent**

**Welcome**

We are glad that you are here as a visitor, a seeker, someone looking for a new church home, or as a regular worshipper or member.

All are welcome in this place.

\*Please rise as you are able.

**The Gathering**

**Prelude**

**Words of Welcome**

Rev. Cathie Crooks

**Quiet Preparation for Worship**

**\*Introit**

Introit for Advent

Healey Willan

**\*Call to Worship**

Come, people of God,  
holy creations, wholly God's,  
with our holey and ragged lives.

**We come, seeking God's grace  
to make us whole.**

Come on this third Sunday of Advent.

**We continue our journey toward Christmas,  
preparing to welcome God's child  
into our hearts and our homes.**

Come to listen, believe,  
and imagine what is possible.  
**We come, O God, we come.**

**\*Processional Hymn** Once in Royal David's City VU #62

*Please be seated.*

**Lighting of the Third Advent Candle** Rev. Greg Davis

**Hymn** Hope Is a Star VU #7, vss 1, 2 & 3

*All children and youth are invited to depart for Sunday School.*

**Prayer**

### **The Service of Lessons and Carols**

**First Lesson** Isaiah 11: 1-4a, 6-9 Noah Rogers

**Anthem** There is No Rose Howard Skempton

**Carol** O Come, O Come Emmanuel VU #1, vss 1-3

**Second Lesson** Luke 21: 26-31 Judy Irwin

**Anthem** Gabriel's Message Basque Trad.

**Third Lesson** Luke 1: 47-55 Ellen Fraser

**Anthem** Ding Dong! Merrily on High  
French Trad., Arr. Wilberg

**Carol** Hark! The Herald Angels Sing VU #48

**Fourth Lesson** Matthew 1: 18-25 Roger Gordon

<b>Anthem</b>	Candlelight Carol	John Rutter
<b>Fifth Lesson</b>	Luke 2: 1-7	Kira Duckworth
<b>Anthem</b>	In Dulci Jubilo	Arr. Bob Chilcott
<b>Carol</b>	Away in a Manger	VU #69
<b>Sixth Lesson</b>	Luke 2: 8-20	Joy Ikede
<b>Anthem</b>	The Bell Carol	Philip Ledger
<b>Carol</b>	While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks VU #75, vss 1, 2, 3, 6	
<b>Seventh Lesson</b>	Matthew 2: 1-2	Ellen Davis
<b>Anthem</b>	Away in a Manger	Arr. Bob Chilcott
<b>Eighth Lesson</b>	Matthew 2: 3-11	Phil Floyd
<b>Anthem</b>	The Colors of Christmas	John Rutter
<b>Carol</b>	O Come, All Ye Faithful	VU #60

### **Response to Word and Table**

#### **Offering Invitation**

<b>Offertory</b>	Noel Provencal	Balabastre
<b>*Presentation of Offering</b>	Tune: VU #232 Hymn to Joy	

#### **\*Offering Prayer**

#### **Pastoral Prayer**

## Sending Forth

**\*Carol** Joy to the World VU #59

### **\*Commission and Benediction**

**Postlude** Noel Suisse D'Aquin

### **Ushers:**

**Head Usher:** Marven MacDonald

**North Side:** Phil Floyd, Natalie Smith, Roddie MacLean

**South Side:** Luke Doiron, David White, Willard MacKinnon

**Balcony:** Kevin Jenkins, John Kamphuis

**Ministers:** All of Us

**Clergy Team:** Rev. Cathie Crooks & Rev. Greg Davis

**Music Director:** Donald Fraser

**Office Administrator:** Ellen Locke Doiron

**Custodians:** Lorraine Worth & Charles Baglole

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## **Announcements**

**Today's bulletins** are in loving memory of Robert E. Younker presented by Phyllis and family.

**Happy Birthday** to Joyce Keizer today, to Jean Mills, Don Wonnacott & Debbie MacLeod on Dec. 22 and to Roma Downe-MacQuarrie on Dec. 23.

**Fundraising Results:** Major Daniel Roode, Charlottetown Salvation Army, sends his sincerest appreciation to us on raising a total of \$9,336.10 at our December events.

**Donations** have been received in loving memory of Millie Dennis to the restoration reserve.

**Pickles, Jams and Jellies** are available after church today outside our church office.

**2018 Church Envelopes** are now ready and are outside our church office. If you don't have contribution envelopes but would like some, please see Ellen in our office.

**Confirmation:** Any person (grade 9 and up) wishing to be confirmed in the United Church is required to participate in a Confirmation Educational Program. If there is sufficient interest, a program will begin in the New Year. If interested, please contact Greg Davis at [gcdavis@eastlink.ca](mailto:gcdavis@eastlink.ca) or call 902-892-4114 no later than Jan. 15.

**Readings for Sunday, Dec. 24:** 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16, Luke 1:47-55, Psalm 89: 1-4, 19-26, Romans 16:25-27, Luke 1:26-38

### **Upcoming Trinity Events**

Tonight, 7 pm - Clifton United Church Christmas Service

Mon., Dec. 18, 7 pm - Great George Street Brass Band  
"Christmas in Brass" Concert

Christmas Eve Services - 10:30 am – Advent IV  
4 pm – Children's Worship  
7 pm – Worship in Word and Song

### **Other Church and Community Events**

**Sing Noel:** On Sun., Dec. 17, at 3 pm. at Trinity, Charlottetown, the Confederation Centre Choral Music Programme presents Sing Noel, directed by Donald Fraser. Join the Confederation Centre Youth Chorus, accompanist Sara White, and special guest soloist Joey Kitson in this 40th Annual Carol Concert, with audience participation. Admission \$20. Tickets available at Centre's Ticketworks, or at the door.

**The Charlottetown Area Christian Council** is planning to celebrate the World-Wide Week of Prayer for Christian Unity with an inter-denominational prayer breakfast and a Sunday evening concluding service. The prayer breakfast will be held at the Rodd Charlottetown Hotel on Sat., Jan. 20, 8 am. Tickets are available in the Trinity church office and are \$15 each. The concluding service will be held on Sun., Jan. 28, 7pm at St. Dunstan's Basilica.

**Fundscrip** – Gift cards for gas, groceries, movies, books, clothes and more can be purchased with cash or cheque before and after our service each Sunday or in our church office during the week. Use them yourself or give as gifts – a great way to help our church as we receive a percentage from the sale.

**Available Cards:**

**Gas** - all stations **Groceries** - all stores **Office** - Staples  
**Health** - Lawtons, Shoppers **Entertainment** - Indigo, Cineplex  
**Apparel** - Payless Shoes, Claires, Aldo, Marks Work Wearhouse, Old Navy, GAP, Le Chateau **Children** - Toys R Us, Children's Place  
**Department Stores** - Hudson Bay, Winners, Walmart  
**Electronics** - Best Buy, The Source  
**Home and Garden** - Home Furniture, Stokes, Home Sense, Home Hardware, Canadian Tire, Home Depot  
**Restaurants** - Pizza Hut, Boston Pizza, Wendys, KFC, Harveys, Starbucks, Swiss Chalet, Subway, Montanas  
**Other** - Pet Smart, SportChek, Running Room, Best Western, Fairmont Hotels, Giant Tiger

