

Badminton will resume on **Monday, January 8, 2018, 6:30 p.m.** in Kildonan Hall. Everybody is welcome. For more information please contact Margarita Medina-Ibanez at maggiemedina@hotmail.ca.

The Knitters for Neechewagon will meet on **Wednesday, December 6 at 2:00 p.m.** in the Kirk Session Room.

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Open Door: Just a friendly reminder that the Church doors are open from **2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., on Wednesday afternoon**, for visits and tours upon request.

Leading with Care: As you prepare for this Service, please note the nearest exit from where you are seated. This message from the Leading with Care Committee is part of the Church's strategy of keeping everyone safe.

Knitters for Neechewagon: Our annual shipment of some 200 knitted items for the Saskatoon Native Circle Ministry — hats, scarves, and mitts — has been sent! The items so cheerfully displayed last Sunday have now been bundled up two-by-two, gift-wrapped in Christmas paper provided by the Choir, and furnished with Christmas cards contributed by the Church School. These warm items will be distributed to the Reverend Stewart Folster's flock at their December 17th Christmas gathering and will help our friends survive the severe winter weather in Saskatoon. For some, this parcel will be their only wrapped Christmas gift, carrying with it Christmas greetings from their friends in The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul.

The knitters wish to thank all who have contributed wool and in any other way so that this programme can continue.

Stewardship Moment: I believe that if children fall in love with wildlife they will grow up wanting to protect it.
—Imogen Taylor, British children's author and illustrator

Offering envelopes for 2018 are in the Memorial Tower. If there is no box with your name and you wish to receive envelopes for 2018, please contact the Church Office at 514-842-3431. Please pick up your envelopes before you leave today.

The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt.....Minister
The Rev. Dr. Kay Diviney.....Associate Minister
Dr. Jonathan Oldengarm.....Director of Music
Dr. Jean-Sébastien Vallée.....Conductor
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The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul was built in 1931-32. Two congregations, St. Andrew's founded in 1803, and St. Paul's founded in 1832, joined together in 1919. This is the Regimental Church of The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada, whose colours hang in the sanctuary. The church organ is a four-manual 1932 Casavant (completely rebuilt in 2000) with 112 ranks and 7000 pipes spread over eight divisions, located in the chancel and the gallery.



The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul

A Congregation of The Presbyterian Church in Canada

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WELCOME – BIENVENUE
1st Sunday of Advent
December 3, 2017 11:00 a.m.

The congregation is asked to please remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

PRELUDE.....*Bach*
 Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland,
 BWV 659 & 660

ENTRY OF THE BIBLE

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 116**
 ...*VENI EMMANUEL*
 "O Come, O come Emmanuel"

The congregation will rise on the last line of the organ introduction to the hymn.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAYERS OF ADORATION,
 CONFESSION, SUPPLICATION and
 THE LORD'S PRAYER

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

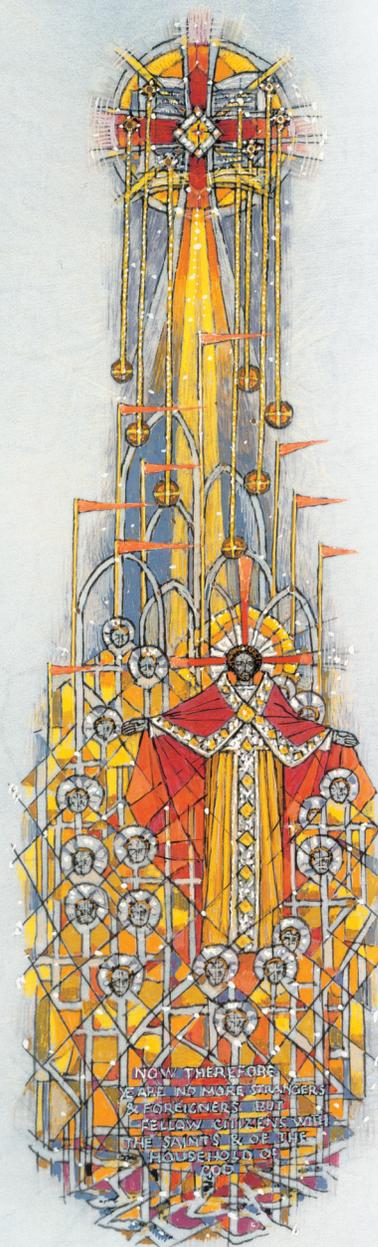
LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT
 CANDLE—Candle of Hope

*The first Advent candle will be lit by
 Luca and Nico Cristofaro
 with their parents Michael and Bobbie.*

INTROIT:.....*Rutter*
 There is a flower

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 64: 1-9

***METRICAL PSALM: 62.....MELCOMBE**
 Thou, Lord by strictest search



SECOND LESSON: Mark 13: 24-37

*Our lessons this morning are read by
Sir Malcolm MacGregor,
St. Andrew's Society.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM:.....*Rütti*
I wonder as I wander

***PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION
AND COMMEMORATION.....*Choral "Amen"*

***HYMN: 114**.....*HYFRYDOL*
"Come, Thou long-expected Jesus"

SERMON.....*The Rev. Dr. Glenn Chestnutt*
"Frustration"

ASCRPTION OF PRAISE

***RECESSIONAL HYMN: 228**.....*HELMSLEY*
"Lo! He comes with clouds descending"

***BENEDICTION**.....*Choral "Amen"*

SILENT PRAYER

***REMOVAL OF THE BIBLE**

POSTLUDE:.....*Bach*
Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661

**Indicates Congregation standing if able.*

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*The flowers in the Sanctuary are in loving
memory of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Savage.*

Join us in worship at 11:00 a.m.
Second Sunday of Advent
December 10, 2017

Sermon by The Rev. Dr. Kay Diviney

For more information on our services and programs,
please visit our website: www.standrewstpaul.com.

Copies of today's scripture readings and large print bulletins are available on the Narthex tables.

ELDER ON DUTY: Mrs. Ann Birks

PORTE COCHERE DOOR: Mr. Michael George

USHERS: Ms. Edythe Arnott, Mrs. Joan Blair, Mr. Thomas Chen,
Mrs. Siska Chen, Ms. Marlene Gregory, Mrs. Evelyne Jacobson

WELCOME to The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul. If you are a first-time worshipper here, please sign our Welcome Book in the Narthex and make yourself known to us. Those who wish to know more about our church and its activities can make use of the pew envelopes to request information.

The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul welcomes **Sir Malcolm MacGregor** and his wife, **Lady Fiona MacGregor**, to the service this morning. Sir Malcolm MacGregor is the 24th chief of Clan Gregor and is known as the Chieftain of the Children of the Mist. He has been Convenor of the Standing Council of Scottish Chiefs since 2011 and is the Hereditary Patron of the Clan Gregor Society which has been in existence since 1822.

Coffee and Fellowship will not be held today.

Church School: There will be no classes on December 24 as many of the children will be participating in the Family Christmas Eve Service and as we have done in the past - no classes on December 31 .

We welcome all children from Nursery through High School as well as babies for our Crèche. Our **Crèche and Nursery** are open every Sunday. All children are welcome to join us! Please ask one of the elders to direct you to the Church School if you are a first time worshipper. **The A&P Youth Group** welcomes all young people from grades 6 through High School. Please contact Sharon Dworzak for information at 450-689-4379 or email grammy.shani@sympatico.ca.

Calling All Students! Our University and CEGEP Student Group will meet after the service (12:30 p.m.) in the Session Room.



Thursday Bible Study. "1 Corinthians: Urban Christians Then and Now" looks at Paul's first letter to the church of Christ in Corinth, and what it has to say to us in our own time and place. **Thursdays, 11:00 a.m.** This week: "Risen and Reigning" (Chapter 15).

A Word From Stewardship...

Each month many of us are obliged to budget for rent or mortgage, telephone, heating, electricity etc. But we can voluntarily express our gratitude for our Church and support its Christian Mission the easy, modern way. Call Tiago at the Church Office (514-842-3431) for details about *PARexcellence!*

—Your Stewardship Committee

Music in Worship: 1st Sunday of Advent, December 3, 2017

Introit: There is a flower (John Rutter, b. 1945)

There is a flow'r sprung of a tree, The root thereof is called Jesse,
A flow'r of price; There is nons such in paradise.

This flow'r is fair and fresh of hue, It fadeth never, but ever is new;
The blessed brandh this flow'r on gres Was Mary mild that bere Jesu;
A flow'r of grace; Against all sorrow it is solace.

The seed hereof was Goddes sand, That God himself sowed with his hand, In
Nazareth that holy land, Amidst her arbour a maiden found;
This blessed flow'r Sprang never but in Mary's bower.

When Gabriel this maid did meet, With 'Ave Maria' he did her greet;
Between them two this flow'r was set And safe was kept, no man should wit, Till
on a day in Bethlem it could spread and spray.

When that fair flow'r began to spread And his sweet blosom began to bed, Then
rich and poor of ev'ry land Marvelled how this flow'r might spread, Till kinges
three That blessed flower came to see.

Alleluia, alleluia.. ..

Angels there came from heaven's tower To look upon this freshele flow'r, How
fair he was in his colour and how sweet in his savour;
And to behold How such a flow'r might spring in gold.

There is a flow'r sprung of a tree, The root thereof is called Jesse,
A flow'r of price; There is none such in paradise.

—John Audelay, 15th c.

Anthem: I wonder as I wander (Carl Rütti, b. 1949)

I wonder as I wander out under the sky, How Jesus, the Savior, did come for to
die. For poor, ornery people like you and like I; I wonder as I wander Out under
the sky.

When Mary birthed Jesus, 'twas in a cows' stall, With wise men and farmers and
shepherds and all. But high from God's heaven a star's light did fall, And the
promise of ages It did then recall.

If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing: A star in the sky, or a bird on the wing;
Or all of God's angels in heaven to sing, He surely could have had it, 'Cause He
was the King!

—traditional Appalachian carol, adapted by John Jacob Niles, 1892-1980

About this morning's organ and choral music

J.S. Bach (1685-1750) was a busy man: in addition to composing and performing, he was responsible for music in Leipzig's four churches, and for teaching at the St. Thomas Choir School. Any composition that he troubled to rework during his career thus merits our careful attention. This is the case with his settings of **Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland**, BWV 659, 660 & 661, taken from the so-called "Leipzig Chorales". Bach wrote early versions of the pieces in Weimar, and reworked them near the end of his life in Leipzig. The first setting, with its

meandering, serpentine bass line, evokes the 17th-c. motet style, in which the lower voices enter imitatively, and provide an accompanimental tapestry for the florid soprano voice, which sings the chorale melody. The world's restless yearning for the Saviour pervades the entire movement. In BWV 660, two bass voices wrestle in imitation before the melody enters, once again, in the soprano. The typical baroque trio, in which two florid voices sing above a steadying bass line, is turned on its head, in a metaphor for the Saviour's redeeming descent to earth. BWV 661 is a mighty and tortuous fugue based on a musical "cross" motive derived from the chorale's first line; the chorale melody thunders in long notes in the Pedal.

John Rutter holds a commanding position in British choral music of the 20th century. His inerrant instinct for elegant vocal writing make his compositions and arrangements favourites of choirs and audiences worldwide. **There is a flower** begins with a solo soprano, before growing organically into a full choral setting as the story unfolds.

I wonder as I wander is an imaginative setting by the Swiss composer **Carl Rütti**. The mystery and disorientation occasioned by the Incarnation is highlighted through the use of cross-rhythms: we're never quite sure whether the piece is in duple or triple metre! -JO

Next in music at St. Andrew and St. Paul...

Sunday, December 17 at 7:00 p.m.: 45th Carols by Candlelight. A traditional service of lessons and carols, this solemn, joyous celebration of Christmas in Word and music is one of the many highlights of our church family's Christmas celebration. Directed by Jean-Sébastien Vallée, with organist Jonathan Oldengarm. The evening's freewill offering supports the church's music ministry.



CBC Christmas Sing-in With Brass Ensemble Sunday, December 10, 3:00 p.m.

★ Our choir is joined by a brass and percussion ensemble. Directed by Jean-Sébastien Vallée, with organist Jonathan Oldengarm. This year's freewill offering supports West Island Community Shares.

Important: the concert is general seating; ticket holders will be admitted exclusively via the outdoor lineup. Doors open at 2:00 p.m. and the concert begins at 3:00 p.m.. For more information go to cbc.ca/montreal.

ADVENT CHAPEL SERVICES

Join us for midweek worship during the 2017 season of Advent. Chapel Services are held on Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. Light lunch to follow in the Kildonan Hall for a nominal cost. All are welcome!

December 7 - Ms. Katie MacIntosh, Student Minister

December 14 - Ms. Edythe Arnott

December 21 - The Rev. J.S.S. Armour



2017 CHRISTMAS SERVICES

CHILDREN'S PAGEANT: Today, December 3 at 4:30 p.m. followed by a Family Christmas Dinner. Please see insert.

THE CBC CHRISTMAS SING-IN: Sunday, December 10 at 3:00 p.m. Our choir is joined by a brass and percussion ensemble, directed by Jean-Sébastien Vallée, with organist Jonathan Oldengarm. This year's freewill offering supports West Island Community Shares. The admission procedure is new this year: please see the CBC Christmas Sing-In insert.

WHITE GIFTS SUNDAY: on Sunday, December 10, a collection of gifts will be accepted for White Gift Sunday. If you would like to participate, please bring a small, unwrapped gift that would be suitable for a child of any age.

FAMILY CHRISTMAS RECEPTION: Sunday, December 17 after the service, hosted by the Guild, with the help of the A&P Youth Group.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT: Sunday, December 17 at 7:00 p.m. A traditional service of lessons and carols, this solemn, joyous celebration of Christmas in Word and music is one of the many highlights of our church family's Christmas celebration. Directed by Jean-Sébastien Vallée, with organist Jonathan Oldengarm. The evening's freewill offering supports the church's music ministry.

THE LONGEST NIGHT SERVICE: Wednesday, December 20 at 6:00 p.m. A service of hope, comfort and prayer in the depths of winter for those experiencing loss, and for anyone seeking a time for reflection and commemoration amid the Christmas festivities.

CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY SERVICE: Sunday, December 24 at 4:00 p.m. The special offering at this service goes to Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS & D), the overseas relief and development arm of the Presbyterian Church of Canada.

CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE: Sunday, December 24 at 11:00 p.m. The special offering at this service goes to Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS & D), the overseas relief and development arm of the Presbyterian Church of Canada.

The Christmas Story



The old story, made new once again
because of the children.

Today, December 3, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.
The Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul

A freewill offering to benefit
"PWS&D" would be appreciated.

A Family Christmas dinner follows the pageant. A freewill donation
would be greatly appreciated.

RSVP grammy.shani@sympatico.ca or 450-689-4379
for the dinner.