

AVCRC exists to reach people, bringing them to a loving relationship with Jesus and membership in the Christian Community; helping them to grow in their faith, guiding them to serve in their gifted ministry, and honouring God with their lives.



SUNDAY DECEMBER 1, 2019

Welcome to Advent, a season of waiting and preparing for the arrival of the King. We take heart, knowing that he will not arrive in some lofty location that ordinary people will never find. Jesus comes to the middle of everything - in the middle of longing, of joy, of hope, of despair. He will arrive exactly where we need him. While we wait, we can find encouragement and hope in the Word.

Prayer

Songs of Praise: "Everlasting God"; "Emmanuel"

Lighting of Advent Candle: Scripture and Poetry

Song: "King of Kings"

Offering: (Young Life)

Song: "Lord I Need You"

Morning Prayer

Scripture Reading: **Isaiah 2:1-5** (pg, 664);

Romans 13:11-14 (pg. 1101); **Matthew 24:36-44** (pg. 960)

Message: *Jesus in the Middle of History*

Song: "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

Blessing

Song: "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Please keep these matters in your prayers:

-Pray for Naji and Anne and their family, they are busy with study (Anne's PhD work, Naji's Arabic studies and Jonathon is applying at universities). They will attend a conference in Berlin in January. With Global Resonate Ministry, they are assembling a strategic plan for the coming months. See the newsletter emailed earlier this week or find a print copy in the foyer.

-Pray for opportunities to invite people to the candlelight worship service on Christmas Eve (6:00pm).

-Give thanks for the blessing received and shared at the ladies' coffee break Bible study.

Advent At-home Faith Formation Tip: During Advent, we light the candle of Hope. Through Jesus Christ, God provides us with hope for our daily living and hope for our future. How can you be a messenger of hope this week? Wonder and talk about that with someone this week.

(Tip from Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Tonight: 6:00 – 7:15 pm Youth Bible study

Wednesday: 10:00 am Ladies Coffee Break Bible Study
3:15 pm Safe Church Conference follow up meeting

Advance Notice:

Christmas Eve, December 24: 6:00 pm Candlelight Service

AVCRC Christmas Dinner ~ Saturday, Dec 7 @ 6pm

The annual Christmas dinner is being held downstairs in the church. This is a family friendly event in which the church provides the turkey & ham. The rest of the food is organized by sign up lists.

If you haven't received a call from us, please contact Marjie @ 250-724-3636 or Lois @ 250-723-5143, or speak with Marjie after the church service near the coffee area downstairs.

Give Joy this Advent with World Renew: *World Renew's 2019-2020 Gift*

Catalogue helps people, families, and communities experience more of the joy that God intends for them.

Find a special gift that helps someone in need this Christmas.

Give at worldrenew.net/gifts or call 888-WRLD-RNW.

Updates to our Church Directory are being made. If you are new to CRC and would like to be included, please email your contact information as well as a photo (if you wish) to: ***bulletin@avcrc.org***. If you are already listed, you may wish to provide a new photo, or update your address/contact information, your family size etc. A paper copy of the directory is available on the table in the upstairs foyer and in the fellowship area downstairs. *Please have changes submitted before Thursday.*

Speak with Kathie G for more information.

OFFERING SCHEDULE

December 1 – Young Life
 December 8 – Bread of Life
 December 15 – Free a Family
 December 22 – ACAWS
 December 29 – Shelter Society

COUNTER

Janay G
 Patty T
 Pete B
 Janay

HELPERS

Alsie S & Mitzie C
 Bert & Pat B
 Renger D & Margrit D
 John K & Elaine V
 Kim M & Lois L

December 1
 December 8
 December 15
 December 22
 December 29

GREETERS

Bert & Pat B
 Bert & Pat B
 Bev & Brian H
 Bev & Brian H
 Alice & Theo V

NURSERY

Eileen D, Jill V
 Pat B, Erin K, Sarah
 Pam S, Carol D
 Roy K, Yvonne C, Curtis
 Jessica O, Anita B

COFFEE MAKERS

December 1 Willem & Helle C
 December 8 John & Margrit D
 December 15 John & Erin K
 December 22 Bob & Joan W
 December 29 Roy & Joanne K

LIBRARIAN

Margrit D
 Bev H
 Joan W
 Anita B
 Alice V

SECURITY

Pete B
 Pete B
 Pete B
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