

# BURLINGTON EAST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 3, 2017

10:30 a.m.

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - HOPE

### WE GATHER IN GOD

MUSICAL PRELUDE

\* ENTRY OF GOD'S WRITTEN WORD

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN: (Hymn No. 299, verse 1)

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

**Lighting of the Advent Candle by  
Bill and Esther French**

\* HYMN: Hark! The herald angels sing 139

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

**ANTHEM: "IT CAME UPON A MIDNIGHT CLEAR"**

### WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

\*HYMN: Hope is a star 119  
Let the children gather with the Minister **during** the singing of  
verses 1 & 2

CHILDREN'S TIME followed by singing verses 3 & 4

**ORDINATION AND INDUCTION OF NEW ELDERS - Jean Fortune  
- Susan Lee**

RESPONSIVE PSALM: Psalm 80 : 1 – 7, 17 - 19

OLD TESTAMENT: Isaiah 64 : 1 - 9 (Page 694)

NEW TESTAMENT: 1 Corinthians 1 : 3 - 9 (Page 166)

GOSPEL READING: Mark 13 : 24 - 37 (Page 50)

\* HYMN: Come, thou long-expected Jesus 110

**SERMON: "Advent 1 – HOPE"**

## **WE RESPOND IN FAITH**

OFFERING

\* DOXOLOGY HYMN: (Hymn No. 79)

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## **THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

THE INVITATION

Hymn: All who hunger, gather gladly (verse 3)

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\*THE APOSTLE'S CREED (Hymn Book No. 539)

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord,

Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

Born of the Virgin Mary,

Suffered under Pontius Pilate,

Was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,

And sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;

The Holy Catholic Church;

The communion of saints;

The forgiveness of sins;

The resurrection of the body

And the life everlasting.

*AMEN.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THANKSGIVING (Hymn Book No. 564)

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

## **WE GO FORTH IN GOD**

\*HYMN Christ is coming (Our Hope in God)

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\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORALE

**“Go now in Peace”**

Go Now In Peace...Never Be Afraid.  
God Will Go With You Each Hour Of Every Day.  
Go Now In Faith, Steadfast, Strong And True.  
Know He Will Guide You In All You Do.  
Go Now In Love, And Show You Believe.  
Reach Out To Others So All The World Can See.  
God Will Be There, Watching From Above.  
Go Now In Peace, In Faith, And In Love.  
Amen, Amen, Amen.

**MUSICAL POSTLUDE**

\* - *Stand as you are able*

**WELCOME TO BURLINGTON EAST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Worship Service. The Duty Elder is available for your assistance. If you are a visitor and are considering this Church as your new home congregation, please sign the Guest Book so that Rev. McAnsh may contact and welcome you. A Nursery is available in the McRae wing. Please join us for Fellowship Hour following the Worship Service.

**FLOWERS** in the sanctuary are placed by Susan Stock in loving memory of her mother-in-law, Jane Stock.

**CRIEFF HILLS**



**Once again Crieff Hills is hosting their Christmas Buffet Luncheons.**

**Cost is \$18 p.p (tax included).**

**This year Burlington East Presbyterian Church wants to make a group booking for Tuesday, December 5 at 12 noon. If you are interested in joining us for lunch, please let Rinatha know before December 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

**If you need a ride to Crieff, please also call the church office.**



**POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER**



Order forms for Poinsettias for the Christmas season will be available on Nov. 26, Dec. 3 & Dec. 10 in Douglas Hall during Fellowship Hour. The This and That group will be there to take your order.

## **BEPC @ A GLANCE**

	<b>December 3 First Advent</b>	<b>December 10 Second Advent</b>	<b>December 17 Third Advent</b>
<b>Duty Elder</b>	Bob Dickison	Jerry Fairbridge	Ray Paquette
<b>Responsive Reader</b>	Bob Dickison	Jerry Fairbridge	Ray Paquette
<b>Ushers</b>	Jean Fortune Ed Bromley	Walt Richards Ron Dekker	Bill French Wayne Freeman
<b>Greeters</b>	Ruth Faris Karelin Skrovonek	Janet Izatt Jean North	Susan & Michelle Stock
<b>Flowers</b>	Susan Stock	June Spence	Mary Eidsforth, Lorna Jack & Sharon Wilhelm
<b>Fellowship (Douglas Hall)</b>	This and That Group	Susan Lee & Stuart Lawton	Moira Fielding & Friends
<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>Two sided coin</b>  Michelle Stock Donna McAnsh	<b>God's way of Love lasts forever</b> Michelle Stock Denise Crockford	<b>Shout with Joy</b> Michelle Stock Denise Crockford

### **EVENTS/MEETINGS**

Mon., Dec. 4	- Social Club	- Douglas Hall	- 1:00 pm
Tues., Dec. 5	- Crieff Christmas Lunch	- Crieff Hills	- 12 noon
Thurs., Dec. 7	- Men's Card Group	- Douglas Hall	- 1:00 pm
	- Choir Practice	- Sanctuary	- 7:00 pm



### **Mitten "Knitten" Tree**

This year the "Mitten Tree" will be in the Sanctuary on Sunday, Dec. 3 and Dec. 10. Please fill the tree with anything cosy and warm – mittens and scarfs– either knitted, crocheted, stitched or bought! This year all donations will go to the Halton Women's Shelter and the Compassion Society, both located in Burlington.

### **White Gifts**

"White Gifts" this year can be placed under the Christmas Tree in the White boxes in the form of non-perishable food products for our Food for Life foodbank on December 17.

## WA Christmas Potluck



The Women's Auxiliary will meet on Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at 12:30 pm for our Christmas Potluck Lunch. All ladies of the Congregation are invited to join us. Please let a member of the WA know if you plan to attend. Come early and enjoy a glass of punch. Following lunch, we will have a presentation from the Wellington Square Bell Ringers. Come out and enjoy the ringing in of our Christmas Holiday Season!



For many years our BEPC Congregation has been sponsoring children through Christian Children's Fund of Canada. We are currently sponsoring 2 girls who live with their parents, subsistence farmers, in Burkina Faso and Ghana, Africa. Our donations help to provide Sana and Felicite, their families and communities with improved education, health care, nutrition and clean water. To make a donation for the upcoming year, please see Janine Dekker today at fellowship through to December 3rd. Thank you for your most generous donations in previous years and for your anticipated support this year.



## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS WISH PROJECT

This Sunday, December 3rd, the envelopes will be available for members of the congregation to choose a name for the Children's Christmas Wish Project. This is a very worthwhile and rewarding project. **It is suggested that, two, three or even four join together for one child, making it easier for choosing your purchases.** For further information, contact Beryl Gorrie, either by phone or e-mail.



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to  
Remember

- December 3 - First Sunday of Advent, Communion,  
- Induction of Elders
- December 3 -10 - Mitten Tree
- December 10 - Second Sunday of Advent
- December 17 - Third Sunday of Advent  
- White Gifts (Non-perishable food)
- December 24 - Fourth Sunday of Advent at 10:30 am  
- Christmas Eve Service at 7:00 pm
- December 25 - Hymn sing prior to dinner at 11:30 am  
- Community Christmas Dinner at 12:00 – 2:00

**TIME CAPSULE**

At the Gala Dinner on October 15, there was a Time Capsule started that is going to be sealed on Sunday, Dec. 31. If you have anything about BEPC that you want to add, please bring in to the church office so that we can place it in the capsule.



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