

# BURLINGTON EAST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 17, 2017

10:30 a.m.

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - JOY

### 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  
David Wood and family**

\* HYMN: Joy to the world

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PRAYER OF ADORATION, CONFESSION & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**ANTHEM: "LONG, LONG TIME AGO"**

Choir and Halyna Dickison (piano)

### WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

\*HYMN: We have heard a joyful sound 681

Let the children gather with the Minister **during** the singing of  
verses 1 & 2

**"THE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT THAT ALMOST WASN'T**

CHILDREN'S TIME followed by singing verses 3 & 4

RESPONSIVE PSALM: Psalm 126

OLD TESTAMENT: Isaiah 61 : 1 – 4, 8 - 11 (Page 691)

NEW TESTAMENT: 1 Thessalonians 5 : 16 - 24 (Page 205)

GOSPEL READING: John 1 : 6 – 8, 19 – 28 (Page 91 )

\* HYMN: Oh come, oh come, Emmanuel

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**SERMON: "ADVENT 3 – JOY"**

## **WE RESPOND IN FAITH**

OFFERING - Madeleine Beaudin (Recorder) "Ode to Joy"  
\* DOXOLOGY HYMN: (Hymn No. 79)  
\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION  
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## **WE GO FORTH IN GOD**

\*HYMN Joyful, joyful we adore you

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\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORALE

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 in loving memory of husband, Paul Wilhelm by Sharon Wilhelm as well as brother and sister-in-law, Richard and Betty Jack by Mary Eidsforth and Lorna Jack.

### **EVENTS/MEETINGS**

Mon.,	Dec. 18	- Social Club	- Douglas Hall	- 1:00 pm
Thurs.,	Dec. 21	- Men's Card Group	- Douglas Hall	- 1:00 pm
		- Choir Practice	- Sanctuary	- 7:00 pm

### **WEDNESDAY LUNCH GROUP**

The Wednesday Lunch Group will be going to Swiss Chalet at Fairview Street and Guelph Line on December 20<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon. Please let Christine Alexander (905-33-51701) know if you can join them.



## MILK BAGS



The Guides are no longer making the milk bag carpets, so please **DO NOT** bring any more milk bags to church. We are trying clean up and organize our storage areas.

## BEPC @ A GLANCE

	<b>December 17 Third Advent</b>	<b>December 24 Fourth Advent 10:30 am</b>	<b>December 24 Christmas Eve 7:00 pm</b>
<b>Duty Elder</b>	Ray Paquette	Donna Beaudin	Beryl Gorrie
<b>Responsive Reader</b>	Ray Paquette	Donna Beaudin	Beryl Gorrie Ann David
<b>Ushers</b>	Bill French Wayne Freeman	George Rodgerson	Bob Dickison Halyna Dickison
<b>Greeters</b>	Walt & Lois Richards	-	
<b>Flowers</b>	Mary Eidsforth, Lorna Jack & Sharon Wilhelm	<b>NO FLOWERS NEEDED</b>	
<b>Fellowship (Douglas Hall)</b>	Moira Fielding & Friends	<b>NO FELLOWSHIP</b>	
<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>Shout with Joy</b> Michelle Stock Denise Crockford	<b>NO SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>	

## OUR DAILY BREAD



Arise, slumber for your light has come! And the glory of the Lord is risen upon you.  
—Isaiah 60:1

## OUR DAILY BREAD DEVOTIONS

“Our Daily Bread” devotionals booklets have arrived this week and are on the table in the Narthex. Please take a booklet and use them every day for Spiritual guidance as you spent some time alone with God.

## 2018 ENVELOPE BOXES in YOUR MAIL-SLOTS



**IMPORTANT:** Please check the name/address on the boxed set to be sure you've got the right one! Your mail-slot is **ABOVE** your name.

**WOULD LIKE A SET?** Please let the envelope secretary, Halyna Dickison, know. You can catch her at church, email [rh dickison@cogeco.ca](mailto:rh dickison@cogeco.ca), phone **905-632-6856**, text at **905-510-6856**, or leave a note either in the offering plate or at the office.

## CHANGES TO ENVELOPE (Listing of Allocations)

The boxed envelopes have been updated this year to better reflect the allocations at BEPC. Allocations are now shown as: Local; Presbyterians Sharing; PWS&D; Other (i.e. Food for Life, Heritage Fund, Local Mission, Memorial Fund, etc.).

## PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance)



If you would like to move to the ease of **once-a-month, automatic-withdrawal offerings** using **PAR** or, if you already use **PAR** and would like to change either the amount of your contribution and/or the allocations, please contact Halyna Dickison as per above. PAR forms are available at the back of the church. A cancelled cheque is also required. These can be put in the offering plate or dropped off at the office.

## 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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Remember

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| December 17 | - Longest Night Service at 3:00 pm           |
| 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 |

**COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER**  
**DECEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2017.**

This year we are planning to serve more than 100 people from the community with a **Turkey or Ham Dinner**. **The Publicity Committee is now busy advertising this. Volunteer help is needed for:**

1. This year, members of the W.A. will be baking the pies. **We will still need Christmas goodies (cookies, shortbread and squares)** to be turned in by the evening of the 24<sup>th</sup>.
2. Volunteers needed from **11:45 – 3:00 on December 25<sup>th</sup>**.
3. **Drivers**. We are offering a ride to the Church (**within the City of Burlington**) for those who would not otherwise be able to attend or if they would just plain like a ride to the **Christmas Dinner**.
4. **Donations** of cash to assist in the purchase of food, gifts and decorations.

This may be made by:

- Write on your regular givings envelope the amount you would like moved to the dinner (Christmas Dinner \$\$\$)
- Use one of the envelopes we have on the tack boards located at both the front and rear entrances to the church.
- Use a yellow envelope that are located in many of the pews in the sanctuary and mark on it "Christmas Dinner Donation".

**PLEASE DO NOT DIRECT YOUR REGULAR OFFERING TO THIS. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP, THIS MUST BE AN EXTRA!**

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**COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER – MY RESPONSE**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **I can volunteer for:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

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Note: Social Club – No cards on Christmas  
Cards on Jan 1, 2018

This Announcement (below) & should go in for December 24, 31 and  
January 7th. We need it put in for 3 weeks because we changed the date.

**WA - JANUARY MEETING DATE CHANGED TO JANUARY 10TH**

The WA meeting will now be held on January 10th. We hope for good  
weather and that many of our members will be able to attend that day!