BURLINGTON EAST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 10, 2017

10:30 a.m.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT - PEACE

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 **Ingrid Golbeck and family**

* HYMN:

Away in a manger

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PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

ANTHEM:

"ONE CHILD"

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

*HYMN:

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine

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Let the children gather with the Minister during the singing of

verses 1 & 2

CHILDREN'S TIME

followed by singing verse 3

RESPONSIVE PSALM:

Psalm 85: 1,2, 8 - 13

OLD TESTAMENT:

Isaiah 40: 1 - 11 (Page 667)

NEW TESTAMENT: GOSPEL READING: 2 Peter 3:8 - 15a (Page 238)

Mark 1:1-8

(Page 34)

* HYMN: Hark the glad sound

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SERMON:

"Advent 2 - PEACE"

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

OFFERING

- * DOXOLOGY HYMN: (Hymn No. 79)
- * PRAYER OF DEDICATION PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE GO FORTH IN GOD

*HYMN

Make me a channel of your peace

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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 by June Spence in loving memory of Jean Douglas.



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.

EVENTS/MEETINGS

Mon., Dec. 11 - Social Club

Christmas Lunch - Tucker's Marketplace -12 noon

Wed., Dec. 13 - Women's Coffee with Minister - 10:30 pm Thurs., Dec. 14 - Men's Card Group - Douglas Hall - 1:00 pm

- Choir Practice - Sanctuary - 7:00 pm

Second Sunday in Advent: Peace



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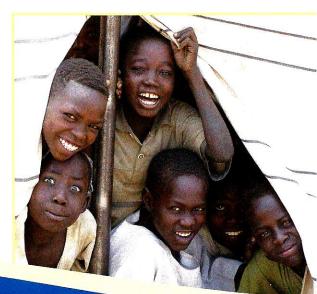
- L: The Baptist cries out:

 "Prepare the way of the Lord,
 make his paths straight!"
- P: Help us, Lord, to repent.
- L: The way of God is made crooked by our sin.
 Will we confess our failings and repent?
 Will we remember God's steadfast love and faithfulness?
- P: Restore us again and grant us your salvation.
- L: As we have been baptized with God's mercy and grace,

will we have the courage to forgive one another?

P: We pray that your light, O Lord, will guide our feet into the way of peace.

(Light the candle of peace.)





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CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS WISH PROJECT

There are still names 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.





ALREADY HAVE BOXED OFFERING ENVELOPES? You will automatically receive a new set for 2018.

DON'T, BUT WOULD LIKE A SET? Please let the envelope secretary, Halyna Dickison, know. You can talk to her at church, email rhdickison@cogeco.ca,

phone 905-632-6856, text at 905-510-6856, or leave a note either in the collection plate or at the office.

ENVELOPE BOXES in mail-slots: Sunday, Dec. 17



If you would like to move to the ease of once-a-month, automatic-withdrawal offerings using Authorized Remittance) 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.



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

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER DECEMBER 25TH, 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:

- 5. 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 24th.
- 6. Volunteers needed from 11:45 3:00 on December 25th.
- 7. 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.
- **8. Donations** of cash to assist in the purchase of food, gifts and decorations.

This may be made by:

- (c) Using your regular offering envelope under section "Other" mark "Dinner" and the amount. or –
- (d) Put it in a plain envelope with your name on it. Marked "Dinner" or –
- (c) Just use the enclosed envelope.

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

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BEPC @ A GLANCE

	December 10 Second Advent	December 17 Third Advent	December 24 Fourth Advent	
Duty Elder	Jerry Fairbridge	Ray Paquette	Donna Beaudin	
Responsive Reader	Jerry Fairbridge	Ray Paquette	Donna Beaudin	
Ushers	Walt Richards Ron Dekker	Bill French Wayne Freeman	Beryl Gorrie George Rodgerson	
Greeters	Janet Izatt Jean North	Susan & Michelle Stock	-	
Flowers	June Spence	Mary Eidsforth, Lorna Jack & Sharon Wilhelm	NO FLOWERS NEEDED	
Fellowship (Douglas Hall)	Susan Lee & Stuart Lawton	Moira Fielding & Friends	NO FELLOWSHIP	
Sunday School	God's way of Love lasts forever Michelle Stock Denise Crockford	Shout with Joy Michelle Stock Denise Crockford	NO SUNDAY SCHOOL	



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 cozy 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.

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.



Saving Lives in South Sudan

Leaving home and walking for days with three little children wasn't an easy decision for Sarah.

But she didn't have a lot of options.

A nearly four-year civil war ravaging South Sudan left Sarah's village in ruins. Fleeing to a Protection of Civilians Camp would save her family from mounting violence.

But the journey to safety brought a new challenge—a lack of food. Sarah was deeply concerned for her one-year-old daughter Martha who was suffering from severe acute malnutrition. Without immediate help, she would soon die.

Upon arrival at the camp, Martha was admitted to a PWS&D-supported Canadian Foodgrains Bank project that is providing nutrition support to children as well as pregnant and lactating mothers.

With treatment and a weekly supply of nutrient-rich therapeutic food,

Martha is stronger, playful and has an increased appetite.

"I fear what might have happened to my daughter without this program," says Sarah.

This Advent, help those displaced by conflict strengthen their hearts and bodies on the journey to find peace.

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