



Advent 1
November 29th 2020
Morning Prayer

St Clement's Anglican Church

We welcome everyone worshipping with us online today!

The Gathering of the Community

Officiant

We acknowledge with respect that we worship on the traditional territories of the Tseil-Waututh – *People of the Inlet*, the Musqueam – *People of the River Grass*, and the Squamish – *Mother of the Wind*.
Let us pray that we may live more deeply into the calls to action from Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

People

May the living Christ lead us all on pathways of reconciliation and peace.

The Lighting of the Advent Candle

Following the ringing of the bell, a moment of silence is kept

Introductory Responses

Officiant O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise
People **and your glory all day long.**
Officiant Reveal among us the light of your presence:
People **That we may behold your power and glory.**
Officiant Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit:
People **as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.**

People **Blessed are you, Gracious God,
to your praise and glory for ever.
In your tender compassion
the dawn from on high is breaking upon us
to dispel the lingering of shadows of night.
As we look for your coming among us this day,
open our eyes to behold your presence
and strengthen our hands to do your will,
that the world may rejoice and give you praise.**

Officiant Blessed be God: Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit.
People **Blessed be God for ever.**

Hymn **O come, O come Emmanuel**
O come, O come Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.

Refrain *Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.*
O come, O Key of David, come, and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high, and close the path to misery.

Refrain *Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.*

Text: Latin (9th cent.?).; tr. John Mason Neale (1818 – 1866), alt. / Music: Plainsong, Mode 1, Processionale (15th cent.); arr. Healey Willan (1880 – 1968) alt. George Job Elvey (1916 – 1893).

The Proclamation of the Word

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah (64 : 1 – 9)

At the end of the reading, the reader says

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 80 : 1 – 7, 16 – 18

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.

2 **In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh,
stir up your strength and come to help us.**

3 Restore us, O God of hosts;
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

4 **O Lord God of hosts,
how long will you be angered despite the prayers of your people?**

5 You have fed them with the bread of tears;
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

6 **You have made us the derision of our neighbours,
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**

7 Restore us, O God of hosts;
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

16 **They burn it with fire like rubbish;
at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.**

17 Let your hand be upon the one at your side in honour,
the one you have made so strong for yourself.

18 **And so will we never turn away from you;
give us life, that we may call upon your name.**

**Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.**

Gradual Hymn O come, O come Emmanuel

O come, O Wisdom from on high, who orders all things mightily;
to us the path of knowledge show, and teach us in her ways to go.

Refrain Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

O come, Desire of nations, bind in one the hearts of humankind;
O bid our bitter conflict cease, and be for us our Prince of Peace.

Refrain Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

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The Gospel Reading

All stand for the Gospel

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark (13 : 24 – 37)

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

At the end of the Gospel, the Deacon says

Deacon The Gospel of Christ

People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

Homily:

The Rev. André Stephany

Anthem Prepare the Way, O Zion

Prepare the way, O Zion, your Christ is drawing near! Let every hill and
valley a level way appear. Greet one who comes in glory, foretold in
sacred story. Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most holy name.

Fling wide your gates, O Zion; your Saviour's rule embrace. His tidings of salvation proclaim in every place. All lands will bow before him, their voices will adore him. Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most holy name.

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

All I believe in God,
the Father, the Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.

The Prayers of the Community

Confession and Absolution

Reader Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbour. *(Silent reflection)*

Officiant Most merciful God,

All we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our
neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Officiant May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
heal and strengthen you by the Holy Spirit,
and raise you to new life in Jesus Christ.
Amen.

The Collect

Officiant Let us pray *(Silence)*

Presider Almighty God,

All **give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the
armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your
Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both
the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.**
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant Gathering our prayers and praises into one, and in the language
closest to your heart, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

All **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.**
Amen.

The Peace *All stand, and the Presider addresses the people*

Officiant The Peace of God be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

Announcements

Blessing

Closing Hymn

Joy shall come

Joy shall come even to the wilderness,
and the parched land shall then know great gladness;
as the rose, as the rose shall deserts blossom,
deserts like a garden blossom.

For living springs shall give cool water,
in the desert streams shall flow;
for living springs shall give cool water,
in the desert streams shall flow.

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The Dismissal

Deacon Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

This week

Wednesday	TBD	Bible Study on Zoom (former in-person Bible study) Meeting ID: 884 6699 6272 Passcode: 208894
Wednesday	12 noon	Noon Prayer in Advent on Zoom Meeting ID: 884 6699 6272 Passcode: 208894
Wednesday	7.30pm	Bible Study via Zoom
Friday	8.00am	Men's Fellowship Bible Study via Zoom

2021 Church Calendars

These are available – cost \$6 each.

Please call the office (604-988-4418) or e-mail (office@stclementschurch.ca) if you wish to buy one – just 2 left to sell.

Altar Frontal and Wall Hangings

A Thank You to our artist Joanne who made the beautiful new wall hangings for Advent and gave our purple altar frontal a new and fresh look.

May their beauty prepare our hearts for the coming of the Beauty Incarnate, which is Jesus. Amen

Scripture readings for next Sunday

Isaiah 40 : 1 – 11 / Psalm 85 : 1 – 2, 8 – 13 / Mark 1 : 1 – 8

Prayers – *The following are for your prayers this week*

In our own Diocese: Pray for Melissa, our Archbishop and Metropolitan; for John, our Coadjutor Bishop-elect; for Stephen, Archdeacon; and Patrick, Regional Dean; for the North Vancouver Regional Ministry Team and churches. For Linda, our Primate; and the General Synod staff. For Mark, the National Indigenous Archbishop.

For the wider Church: For the Lusitanian Church. For Bishop Brent Alawas, the clergy and people in the Episcopal Diocese of Northern Philippines, specifically for our partner Parish of St Clement of Alexandria, Payeo – its ministry and mission; and for all the Churches and clergy of North Vancouver.

In our Parish community: for André, our Priest; for Elizabeth and Peggy, our Deacons; for the Wardens, Philip and Phoebe. For the staff: Lynley and Yvonne; and Lay Leaders: Lynda, Mike and Robin. For the Youth and Children’s ministries in our parish.

In our parish cycle of prayer: for Sean, Lynda, Aidan, Jacqueline and Lily Faivre-Duboz; Ursula Eigen; Stephanie Geoffrion; and their families.

For healing: Pray for Jill Allerton; Beth Bailey; Rob Bloye; Betty Downing; Marion Edwards; Fiona; Colleen and Matt Foster; Jack Griffiths; Marjorie and Michael Jeffries; Lachlan Keir; Joseph Liu; Maria; Lynda Mills; Carol Norwood; Joyce Oswald; Judy; Suzi Smith; Vanessa; Maryam Zamani; for their families & carers.

For Outreach: for all newcomers to Canada: for Saber (learning to be a barber) and his family; Qods (*pronounced Coo-dus*) Al-Azaizeh (adapting to on-line studies at UBC); Honada, Said and family; Bukhari; Neema Grace, (attending Laurentian University); Malis (*pronounced Ma-lees*) & his family; for Fatemeh, Nasrullah, and the successful sponsoring of Nazrin & family; For the community groups which use our building.

Pastoral Care

Pastoral concerns may be referred to our priest, the Rev. André Stephany at

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Please let the clergy know if you or a family member is in hospital.

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