St. Aidan
Anglican Church

Holy Eucharist

Advent 1

November 29, 2026

Order of Service is followed in the (green) ***Book of Alternative Services*** *(BAS).*
Hymns are found in the (blue) ***Book of Common Praise*** *(CP).*

A baby room is located next to the sound board for those with infants.
A supervised nursery for children ages 1 to 3 is available in the parish hall.
Children ages 4 to grade 5 are invited to remain in the service.
Youth in grades 6 to 12 are invited to the Upper Room.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Welcome

Processional Hymn "The Advent of Our God"

The advent of our God
with eager prayers we greet,
and singing haste upon his road
his coming reign to meet.

The everlasting Son
came down to make us free;
and he a servant's form put on
to gain our liberty.

Daughter of Sion, rise
to meet thy lowly King;
let not thy faithless heart despise
the peace he comes to bring.

As judge, on clouds of light,
he soon will come again,
his scattered people to unite
with them in heaven to reign.

Then evil flee away
before the rising dawn!
Let this old Adam day by day
God's image still put on.

Praise to the incarnate Son,
who comes to set us free,
with Father, Spirit, ever one,
to all eternity.

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Greeting and Collect for Purity ..... p. 185 BAS

Advent 1—Lighting of Candle

Leader: Lord God, bless this wreath and bless us as well. May this wreath remind us of the hope and joy that Jesus brings into the world. Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. May he come quickly and not delay. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: **Amen.**

Leader: Advent means "arrival." In the season of Advent, the church prepares to celebrate the coming of Jesus. We recall the past, celebrate the present, and look to the future with hope. We prepare to celebrate not only the birth of Jesus but also his presence in our family. We wait for the return of the Lord at the end of time when all hopes will be fulfilled. We await the coming of the light that will shine in the darkness, shining light on our path to peace.

Lighting of Advent Candle

Leader: This week we recall the hope we have in Christ. The prophets of Israel all spoke of the coming of Christ, of how a saviour would be born, a king in the line of David. They spoke of how he would rule the world wisely and bless all nations. Let us pray

All: **Loving God, we thank you for the hope you give us. Help us prepare our hearts for the Lord's coming. Bless our worship. Help us live holy and righteous lives. We ask it in the name of the one born in Bethlehem, Jesus our Lord.** Amen**.**

Praise Song "Prepare the Way" .....#107 CP

Collect of the Day.....p. 268 BAS

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading *(Jason)*..... Isaiah 64:1-9

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18 *(we stand)* .....p. 812 BAS

Second Reading *(Agwalonye)* .....1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Gradual Hymn "Hail to the Lord's Anointed" .....#101 CP

Gospel Reading ..... Mark 13:24-37

Acclamation: Before—Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo
Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia.
After— Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest,
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia.

Sermon *(Fr. Louis)*

The Nicene Creed *(we stand)* .....p. 188 BAS

Prayers of the People *(Jason)*

Confession and Absolution ..... p. 191 BAS

The Peace *(we stand)* .....p. 192 BAS

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

The Preparation of the Gifts

Offertory Hymn "When the King Shall Come Again".....#109 CP

Prayer over the Gifts *(we stand)*.....p. 269 BAS

Eucharistic Prayer #3.....p. 198 BAS

The Lord's Prayer .....p. 211 BAS; music p. 918 BAS

The Breaking of the Bread #5..... p. 212 BAS

God of promise,
you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.
Happy are those who are called
to the supper of the Lamb.

The Communion

All who are baptized in any Christian church and seek to follow Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour may receive communion.

- *To receive the bread, hold out your hands, crossed with palms up.*
- *The celebrant will place the bread in your hands.*
- *If you require gluten-free wafers, please indicate at the time of receiving.*
- *To receive the cup, guide it to your mouth using the base.*
- *If you prefer not to drink from the cup, bow slightly in reverence.*
- *If you prefer to receive a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.*

Songs during Communion: Wait for the Lord, Whose Day Is Near—#94 CP
He Will Search for His Sheep *(by Luke Johnson)*
Come, Thou Long-expected Jesus—#88 CP

Prayer after Communion *(we stand)*.....p. 269 BAS

Doxology.....p. 214 BAS

SENDING FORTH OF THE COMMUNITY

Announcements

Blessing *(we stand)*

Recessional Hymn "Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending".....#114 CP

The Sending

Go forth in peace to prepare the way of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

WORSHIP AND COMMUNITY LIFE

Sun, Nov 29 at 7:00 p.m.—**Evensong Bells**
Tues, Dec 1 at 8:30 a.m.—**Holy Eucharist** in the chapel (said BCP)
Tues, Dec 1 at 9:00 a.m.—**Morning Prayer** on Zoom (join using this link)
Wed, Dec 2 at 8:00 a.m.—**Morning Prayer** in the chapel
Wed, Dec 2 at 7:00 p.m.—**Prayer Hour** in our library
Thurs, Dec 3 at 9:00 a.m.—**Moms & Tots** in the parish hall
Thurs, Dec 3 at noon—**Holy Eucharist** (said BCP)
Sun, Dec 6 at 10:30 a.m.—**Advent 1: Holy Eucharist** in the nave

Pray for those in need, especially:

Bob N., Bret, Dani, Kira, Laura, Margaret, Shirley, Tom, Tracy

NOTE: To include someone in this list, please contact the Prayer Chain leaders Jacquie Gibney (306-631-0202), Deacon Arleen, or the church office.

In prayer we remember our parishioners in care homes:

Carol, Don, Isabel, Margaret Sm, Marjorie, Mervin

Diocesan Prayer Requests

Please include the following in your prayers
November 29 - December 5

- **Bishop Helen** and those serving with her in our Diocese of Qu'Appelle
- **Vocations:** Those exploring a call to ordained or lay ministry, the Committee on [Ordained] Ministry, and the postulants of the Diocese.
- **Those who are waiting**: for a diagnosis, treatment, news or justice.
- Our **companion dioceses of Lichfield, England and Muyinga, Burundi**
- Our **ecumenical partners** in the Lutheran, Anglican, Ukrainian Catholic, Roman Catholic Covenant (LAURC)

PRAYER HOUR IN OUR LIBRARY

Join other Aidanites on **Wednesdays 7-8 PM** for a prayer time for St. Aidan and the City of Moose Jaw. All pray-ers welcome!

GAUDETE PARTY

Sunday, December 13, 5:30-8 PM

Carol sing-along, festive treats and table games!

Bring a snack or Xmas treat to share.

Gaudiest sweater competition!!

YOUTH EVENT—Friday, Dec 4, 7-9PM

St. Nicholas Party

Our youth are invited to join the fun of baking, cookie decorating, games, and a reenactment of the life of St. Nicholas.

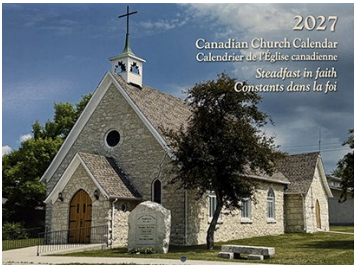
For info, contact Olivia: 639-355-7770

2027 CHURCH CALENDARS—$7

A very limited number of church calendars are available for purchase. We're in it!

See Sandra Messner.

Cash only please.
Buy today to be sure to get one—you might need to run! :)



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Donations toward flowers to decorate for Christmas are appreciated and may be made through the Sunday offering. You will find envelopes at the back of the church or include a note as you give electronically. If you wish to designate your gift as a memorial please include the information on the form provided in the envelopes or add to your notes.

FINANCIAL UPDATE from our VESTRY

As a vestry, we approved our 2027 budget last week with hope for what is ahead. Our 2026 giving is up from previous years and, barring a significant change in pattern, should surpass our expenses. Even still, as we look at 2027, we are cautiously projecting our giving to be about $20,000 short of what we expect our costs might be.

The primary reason for the increased financial need is that, even though it has been approved since 2023, 2027 looks to be the first year that we will have a full-time rector and a full-time parish administrator in place.

Therefore, we are sharing the need with you now so that you can prayerfully discern what you are called to give in the remainder of 2026 and into 2027.

MESSAGE VIGILANCE

Please be vigilant in regards to messages coming from our clergy that are either extremely vague (e.g., Hi, how are you?) or requesting information (e.g., a parish directory). Such messages have already started under the false pretense of being from Fr. Louis.

It is a good practice to verify the email or phone number of origin for messages—particularly if they seem a bit off. Fr. Louis's info is on the back of the bulletin.

Land Acknowledgement

Welcome to this place of worship where we acknowledge that Jesus, the Lord of all, has called His Church to be a Church of all nations. With joy and in humility we gather on Treaty 4 Territory, the traditional lands of the Cree, Ojibwe, Saulteaux, Dakota, Lakota, Nakoda, and the homeland of the Métis Nation.

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Jeremy Dyck, Jacquie Gibney,
Rosalyn Poettcker, Brad Thorpe

MINISTERS TODAY

Presider/Preacher
Rev. Louis Harris

Deacon
Rev. Dn. Nathan McLean

Altar Guild
Jill Childerhose, Shelby O'Brien,
Maddox, Ainsley, Megan Ryerson

Bells
Alina

Greeters
Glynn Wright (outside)
Jon and Joyce Walters

Godly Play
Children invited to remain in service

Nursery
Diane Dyck, Sarah McLean

Youth Class
Rosalyn Poettcker, Glynn Wright

Lectors
Agwalonye Aghamelu, Jason Antonio

Intercessor
Jason Antonio

Music
Luke, Molly, Rowan Johnson,
Ellen Redshaw

Server
Brad Thorpe

LCAs
Agwalonye Aghamelu, Jason Antonio,
Carla Hoffmann, Ndidi Uzo

Tech
Liam McPaul

Parish Coffee
Cheryl Mowchenko, Dawneil Wall

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Lorraine Cushway, Michael Wall

Lockup
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