St. John's Presbyterian Church 28 Second Street East Cornwall, ON K6H 1Y3

December 3rd, 2023

1st Sunday of Advent

God's People Are Gathered

Prelude

Call to Worship (on screen)

Prayer of Approach

Hymn # 118 Hark, the glad sound

Prayer of Confession (on screen)

Assurance of Pardon Lighting of the Candle

God's Word Is Proclaimed

Old Testament: Isaiah 7:10-15

Responsive Reading: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

New Testament: Galatians 4:3-7 Hymn #114 Emmanuel

Mary Monologue

New Testament: Matthew 1:18-25 Sermon: When God Breaks In.

God's People Respond

The Offering

The Nicene Creed Invitation to the Table

Hymn # 542 Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving & The Lord's Prayer

The Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn # 121 Long ago, prophets knew

The Benediction

Minister: The Rev. Robert L. Adams

Guest Musician: Minna Cornelisse

Scripture Reader: Alex Plant

Techs: Roy Choi, Brian Markell, Alex Plant, Dan Plant

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coming up at St. John's:

Sunday @ 10:00 a.m. Worship Sunday following worship Choir Practice

Sunday @ 1:30 p.m. Pickleball for Beginners

Dec 6 @ 7:00 p.m. Bible Study

Dec 8 @ 11 a.m. Jack McMartin Funeral

Giving Goal

We deeply appreciate the generosity of our congregation members who contributed \$8,711 in November towards our church's operations. Although we aimed for \$15,269, we remain positive as the year concludes. We encourage everyone to review their contributions to St. John's, make up for any missed Sundays, and if blessed, please consider an extra gift to help us finish the year on a high note. Your continued support is truly valued!

Pies for Sale & Fundscrip

The Women of the Church are selling a variety of pies! Large meat pies (7") for \$13, small meat pies (5") for \$7, and apple pies (7") for \$9! Be sure to grab one on Sunday before they're all gone! Also, December 10th is the last Fundscrip order before Christmas. Please contact Gail or Connie if you plan to order cards!

Christmas Choir

Interested in singing for the choir for the holidays? Join us! Practice will be held in the choir room following worship every Sunday.

Collection Volunteers

Assistance is needed for collection and counting of the weekly offering. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet outside the kitchen if you're interested. Speak to Keppel or Michele for more information.

Memorial

A project team of 3-4 people is being formed to plan a memorial for the late Rev. Dr. Fred Rennie. Please speak to Michele is you are interested.

Condolences

Condolences of the congregation are extended to the family of Jack McMartin. Funeral services will be held at St. John's on Friday, December 8^{th} at 11 AM.