

FARRINGDON CHURCH



Faith

ADVENT WEEK TWO

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021

WELCOME TO FARRINGTON CHURCH!

Thank you for being with us for our Worship Service today!

We have made some temporary organizational changes to our usual service in order to exercise health and safety protocols during the ongoing pandemic.

Pews are marked off to enable social distancing. Please follow the direction of our deacons as you are seated. If you make use of one of our pew cushions, please leave it on the pew at the end of service so that it can be sanitized before next use.

Hand sanitizers are provided throughout the building. Please be sure to sanitize your hands and refrain from hand-shaking or physical contact. **Masks** are mandatory while in the building as per city bylaws at this time.

Everything you need for the service can be found in this booklet or on the screen at the front. Hymn books and Bibles have been temporarily removed from the pews for sanitary purposes.

If you are looking for a **spiritual home**, we have a variety of services and programs to meet your needs. Please introduce yourself to the morning greeters or Rev. Mike after the service to learn more about what our church has to offer.

Washrooms are located on the lower level, either a barrier-free washroom below the Narthex, or in the Christian Education wing on the lower level – both are accessible via the elevator or stairs. Just ask one of the greeters for directions.

Children are a special part of our church family, and we do our best to make them feel at home. We include a Children's time in our Sunday morning service however, children will not be coming forward during the children's hymn.

After the Children's time, Children will then head to the conference room to Sunday School.

Sunday School will be available to children ages 5-12 with a capacity of 15 children. Priority will be given to children ages 5-10. We are not

providing nursery care at this time due to health precautions. If your child wishes to remain with you in service that is wonderful, feel free to pick up a copy of the "Sermon Notes" page from the narthex to help your child stay engaged.

All parents must pick up their children from Sunday School.

The **offering** is a member responsibility. You are welcome to make a contribution. However, if you are visiting us for the first time, we don't expect you to donate – we'd rather ask you to pay attention to God's blessings in your life, return next week, and make your gift then if you so choose. The offering plates will not be passed but are located at the front and rear exits for you to leave your donation.

Corporate communion is now being held on the second Sunday of each month. This is a change from celebrating on the first Sunday of the month as in the past.

Please exit at the front or rear doors following service and refrain from gathering in the Narthex or aisle at this time. Our usual coffee hour is temporarily suspended.

If you are **visiting for the first time**, please let us know after the service, as we have a **welcome gift** for you.



WE WILL WELCOME NEW MEMBERS IN THE MORNING SERVICE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19. SPEAK TO REV. MIKE ASAP IF YOU WANT FARRINGTON TO BE YOUR NEW HOME CHURCH. WE'D LOVE FOR YOU JOIN US!

Announcements:

WELCOME BACK!! - We are happy to have been able to open our doors for in-person worship at Farrington starting Sunday, September 19. It is so wonderful to be back together as a church family after such uncertain times. Due to the continuing concern regarding Covid cases and variants in the province, we will need to continue with precautions and restrictions in order to keep everyone safe and healthy. Please be advised of the following as we return to worship.

- Masks will be required at all times in the building, except for those speaking or singing from the chancel area. Disposable masks will be available for anyone who forgets to bring one.
- We will continue to maintain social distancing. Pews will be marked off accordingly. Those from the same households may be seated together. Once we have reached our seating capacity in the sanctuary, seating will be available in the auditorium where you may view the service live on the big screen.
- We will not resume coffee hour after church at this time. Please exit the building after worship without excessive gathering.
- We will continue to record attendance for contact tracing purposes.
- Please make use of hand sanitizing stations throughout the building.
- We will be recording the live service each week to be posted online for anyone not yet comfortable returning to worship.

We hope that by following these guidelines, we will be able to safely worship together once again. We will keep everyone advised of any changes that may occur.

Stay safe and stay well.

~*Cyndy Kirk* ~ Senior Elder

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Advent 2

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021

10:30 A.M.

“Unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.” Isaiah 9:6

OPENING HYMNS:

COME, THOU LONG EXPECTED JESUS

- 1 *Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art;
dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.*

2. *Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a king,
born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
by thine all sufficient merit, raise us to thy glorious throne.*

ARISE, YOUR LIGHT HAS COME

- 1 *Arise, your light has come, the Spirit's call obey;
Show forth the glory of your God, which shines on us today.*

- 2 *Arise, your light has come, fling wide the prison door;
Proclaim the captive's liberty, good tidings to the poor.*

3 *Arise, your light has come, the mountains burst in song
Rise up like eagles on the wing, God's pow'r will make us
strong.*

THE FIRST NOEL

1 *The first Noel, the angel did say
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.*

Chorus: Noel (X4), born is the King of Israel.

2 *Let us go and tell this wonderful sight
of Jesus, our Saviour, the ruler of light
Who, with the Father, we adore
And so, we are blessed forevermore.*

3 *Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord;
Who hath made heaven and earth of naught,
And with his blood our lives hath bought.*

PRELUDE: O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL *by Jerry Carraway*

THE CHIMES SUMMON US TO WORSHIP (stand, if able)

THE GREETING: Leader: The Lord be with you
People: And also with you

CALL TO WORSHIP: (Read Bold Section)

Let us worship the only true God
Who turns our despair into hope, and our darkness to light.
We thank him for Jesus, the Messiah
Who came to us 2,000 years ago
We need him more than we ever have
So, come to us again Lord Jesus

We long for you this Advent
And pray for your soon return.

HYMN: BLESSED BE THE GOD OF ISRAEL

1. Blessed be the God of Is - ra - el who comes to set us free
2. With prom-ised mer - cy will God still the cov - e - nant re - call,
3. My child, as proph-et of the Lord, you will pre - pare the way,

and rais - es up new hope for us: a Branch from Da - vid's tree.
the oath once sworn to A - bra - ham, from foes to save us all;
to tell God's peo - ple they are saved from sin's e - ter - nal sway.

So have the proph-ets long de-clared that with a might-y arm
that we might wor - ship with-out fear and of - fer lives of praise,
Then shall God's mer - cy from on high shine forth and nev - er cease

God would turn back our en - e - mies and all who wish us harm.
in ho - li - ness and right - eous-ness to serve God all our days.
to drive a - way the gloom of death and lead us in - to peace.

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MUSIC: Traditional English melody

KINGSFOLD
C.M.D.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Old Testament Lesson: Psalm 96:7-13 read by Anna Locke
(After lesson) Leader: The word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

New Testament Lesson: Hebrews 1:1-6 read by Steven Somerton
(After lesson) Leader: The word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

The Gospel Lesson: Luke 1:26-38 by Rev. Mike (After lesson)
Leader: The Gospel of Christ
People: Praise be to Thee, O Christ

CHILDREN HYMN: O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL

1 *O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant
O come ye, o come ye to Bethlehem
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels*

Chorus: O come, let us adore Him (X3) Christ the Lord!

2 *Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above.
Glory to God, all glory in the highest*

CHILDREN'S TIME WITH KATELYN HINES

(Children remain in pews until Katelyn directs them for Sunday school.)



Light Advent Candle #2



*Amanda Stubbert-Martin, Henry & Clara Martin
Isaiah 40:3-5*

---Children leave to go to Sunday School---

3 *O Father eternal, Thine is the glory
Veiled now in flesh, from heaven he came
God as an infant, swaddled in a manger*

Chorus: O come, let us adore Him (X3) Christ the Lord!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (spoken prayerfully in unison)

God of grace, we need your mercy today.
We have failed you, our neighbours, and ourselves.
Forgive us, Lord.
We have not praised you as you deserve.
Help us, Lord.
Cleanse us and heal us for Jesus' sake.
Thank you that your grace is greater than all our sins.
Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SERMON: **SIMPLE FAITH**

OFFERING: *Please, place your Tithes and Offerings on the offering plate at the front or back of the church as you exit at the end of service.*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we
forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory
forever and ever, Amen.

OFFERING RESPONSE:

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly Host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost

SPOKEN BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION CLOSING HYMN:

*Go now in peace, never be afraid;
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true;
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe;
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.*

THREE-FOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE:

ADESTE FIDELIS

by Laura Anna Page

Thank you to our song leaders Leesa and Hanna Meijerinck
along with all the musical participants for their
contributions to today's service music.



If you are visiting today,
welcome and thank you for joining us in worship of God!
We hope your experience at Farrington is uplifting and hope to see you
again very soon. Please, sign our guest book in the Narthex!

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS MUSIC – As we approach the Advent & Christmas season, we know that many of you have favourite hymns at this time of year. We would like to include as many of your favourites as possible during our Advent & Christmas services. Please contact the office or Rev. Mike with any favourite hymns and we will do our best to include them!

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Assisting with Worship Service for Sunday, December 5, 2021

Door Greeters: Wendy Bethune

Deacon: Dave Kennedy

Meetings and events next week, December 6 - December 12, 2021

Sunday, Dec. 5 - 10:30 a.m.
Monday, Dec. 6 - 6:30. - 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 7 - 6 - 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 8.- 7 p.m.

Farringdon Church Service
Jr. High Bible Study
Kids Club & Jr. High Bible Study
Advisory Committee

December 12th during our 10:30am service, you are Invited to our
FARRINGDON FAMILY CHRISTMAS PRESENTATION.
Join us for Carols, Poems, Skits and more. Featuring Farringdon's
own Children and Youth!

Our Midweek Children and Youth **Christmas Party** will be on **Tuesday
December 14th from 6-8pm.** We are looking for two adult helpers and
pre-wrapped Christmas treats! If you are interested in helping out please
connect with Katelyn! And... if you're a child or youth don't forget
to register through Eventbrite!

Midweek programs will be on a break from **December 20th - January 3rd.**
We hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas Break!

The flower arrangement I received for my birthday is so beautiful. Thank
you for always remembering my birthday. - Isabel Tollar

CHRISTMAS PLANTS AND DECORATIONS



From - Wendy Bethune in Memory of Don Bethune

If you would like to use the church hall for an event, please complete a “Building Use Request Form” and forward it to the Board of Deacons c/o, Chair ~ Wyatt Thompson for approval at 226-922-1927. You can get this form on the CE wing bulletin board or in the Church Office during office hours.

Barb & Dave Gilbert, of our Farrington family, tragically experienced a house fire this week. They have lost everything. Barb is currently in hospital. We will reach out in all possible ways as a church family to assist them at this time. A financial donation will be made through the Farrington Benevolent Fund. In addition, a GoFundMe page has been set up by a neighbour to support the family. If you wish to make an online donation, the website is: <https://gofund.me/3a25e4d9> If you prefer to make a private donation, you may mail or bring a cheque **Payable to Dave Gilbert** to the church, marked for this purpose, and we will be sure all donations reach the family. We will update the congregation with the family’s future needs as we can. Please keep the Gilbert family in your prayers at this time. Anyone wishing to send a card or note to the Gilberts can drop off at the church also and the family will pick up from there.

Farrington Children's Ministries Is Collecting...

Juice Box Donations



Orange • Apple • Grape • Peach • Fruit Punch • Mixed Berry • Strawberry Kiwi • Mango • Kool Aid Jammers

The Options are Endless. And we are not Picky.
Any kind of juice box will do.
Drop of to Katelyn, or her Office.

THANK YOU

Birthdays and Anniversaries - Do we Have Yours?

If your birthday, family members’ birthdays and/or anniversaries are not in our newsletters or bulletin and you would like them to be, please make sure we have them. We know from the list we have that some are missing. We don’t print the year 😊 Please provide the dates to Cindy in the Church Office.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Celebrating Birthdays in December

4- Sheila Ray, 5-Pat Johnston & Mya Nielissen, 7-Katelyn Hines, 9-Lindsey Butler, 15-Sarah McGoldrick, 19-Mason Dumais, 24-Carole Scordino



Celebrating Anniversaries in December

24-Derek & Claudette Tiller

For any Bulletin News or Announcements please contact Cindy Hossack at the Church Office by Thursday mornings at: secretary@farringdonchurch.com or 519 759-2495 EXT #4

Website Address and Social Media Check out the Farringdon website and Facebook page for all updates and information. To access Member's content, you need to register on the website. You will receive a temporary password via email which can be changed when you log in. Our website address is www.farringdonchurch.ca

Dimes For Ethan



We are resuming our dime drive for Ethan as he continues to raise money for Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis. Please view the display in the Narthex. One water bottle= \$100. Do you think we can collect five by January 2022? Let's give it a shot!



LAY READERS NEEDED - With our reopening, we are inviting members of the congregation to participate in the service as lay readers. You would be scheduled approximately once every 2-3 months to read one of the scriptures during the service. Rev. Mike will provide you with the reading in advance. You will also receive a readers' schedule so that you can trade dates with someone if you know you will be away on a given Sunday. If you would like to be added to the lay readers' list, or if you are currently on the list and are unable to continue, please contact Cyndy Kirk.



SINGERS NEEDED! – Although we have reopened for worship, due to pandemic precautions we will not yet be resuming our choir or congregational singing. Therefore, we would like to have two or three volunteer singers each week to lead the hymns from the chancel area. You would only need to volunteer occasionally depending on the number of volunteers we have. You do not need to be a choir member. Derek will arrange a time to rehearse the hymns with you prior to the service. If you would like to volunteer for this music ministry, please contact Derek.

FARRINGTON NEXT WEEK

Assisting with Worship Service for Sunday, December 12, 2021

Door Greeter: Annett Holyhomes

Deacon: Dave Kennedy

Meetings and events next week, December 13 – December 19, 2021

Sun, Dec. 12 - 10:30 a.m. Farrington Church Service

Mon, Dec. 13 – 6 - 8 p.m. Jr. High Bible Study

Tue, Dec. 14 – 6 - 7:30 p.m. Kids Club & Jr. High Bible Study

Wed, Dec. 15 – 7 p.m. Joint Board / Elders / Deacons Meetings

FARRINGTON CHURCH REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

Monday	~ Closed ~
Tuesday	~ 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday	~ 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Thursday	~ 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Friday	~ 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Office: 519 759-2495 EXT. #4

**If calling after hours, please leave a message and
your call will be returned the next business day.
Rev. Mike can be contacted on his cell phone when
the office is closed at 1-226-339-4340**

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COME AND SEE