

WINE, WOMEN and WORDS BOOK CLUB

A new group designed for ladies who are busy professionals, busy moms, workers, students and others looking to get to know other women from our church and community. WWW will be a bi-monthly, informal book-club style gathering for women. Our first book will be "What is the Bible" by Rob Bell, and our first meeting will be Thursday, January 18, at 7:30 pm at Tara MacDougall's house.

If you're interested in attending, please get in touch with Tara at ntaramacdougall@gmail.com

St. Thomas History books

We just have a few copies left of "The History of St. Thomas – Stanley's Corners-Stittsville" which covers the 150 year story of St. Thomas and includes many pictures, both historical and contemporary. They will be available after church this Sunday, December 17th, or you can call the church office at 613 836-5741. Cost is \$20 (plus mailing costs if mailed).

A Word of Welcome

We welcome you to our service today and hope that your spirit will be refreshed and strengthened as you join us for worship. Please check the appropriate item(s) and leave this form with a sidesperson or place it on the offertory plate. Thank you!

I am: Newcomer Visitor Parishioner

I would like to be placed on the parish list

have clergy call be remembered in prayer

Other have my address changed

receive offering envelopes receive information about PAR (Pre Authorized Remittance)

Name(s) _____

Phone _____

Children _____

Address: _____

email: _____

St. Thomas Anglican Church

sets its heart toward being a Christian home which welcomes, encourages and seeks to inspire All People.

**St Thomas Anglican Church,
December 17th, 2017**

8:30

**The Third Sunday of Advent
Holy Eucharist**



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Envelope Secretary: Bob Lomas (613-836-5229)

Office Hours: Wednesdays 9:00 – 4:30 Thurs 9:00-4:30

Holy Eucharist

Third Sunday of Advent 8:30

Call to Worship

Processional Hymn # 307 **When Long Before Time**

Lighting Ceremony for the Advent Wreath - Christ, Be Our Light

Vs 1, 2, & 3

The Grace

Sung 3 times Prepare the way of the Lord

Prepare the way of the Lord

And all people will see the salvation of our God

Collect of the day page 270

First Lesson Isaiah 61: 1-4, 8-11

Psalm 126 page 885

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24

Holy Gospel John 1: 6-8, 19-28

Homily

The Apostle's Creed

Prayers of the People page 119

Confession and Absolution

The Peace

Offertory Hymn # 412 **O God, Beyond All Face and Form**

Prayer over the Gifts page 271

Eucharistic Prayer # 3 page 198

Holy, Holy, Holy

The Lord's Prayer

Sentence for Breaking of Bread # 5 page 212

Lamb of God

The Communion

Ablution Hymn # 446 **Word of God, Come Down on Earth**

Prayer after Communion page 271

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn # 383 **Jesus Shall Reign Were'er the Sun**

Dismissal

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER

In Our Diocese: We pray for Bishop John, Rev. Jane, Canon Michael, and Pastor Sharron; Julian of Norwich; The Ven. Mary Ellen Berry and Deacon Elizabeth December-Lovell. For all church musicians serving in the Diocese of Ottawa. For the residents and staff and Chaplains of the Ottawa-Carleton Detention Centre Deacon Caroline Ducros, Chaplain.

In the wider Anglican Community: Pray for Christ Church, Bells Corners.

We pray for members of our Parish Family: Lynne Adkins; Wendy Allerton; Erika, Audrey & Alexander Anderson; Ken & Leslie Andrews; Wayne & Bev Ashford; Mary Attwell; Mike Attwell; and Roy & Linda Banister.

We pray for the Sick: Jean, Pat, Joanne, Myrna, Daisy, Marion, Ruth, Linda, Nancy, Irene and Nicholas

Assisting in Today's Liturgy

Chalice: Arlene Simonovich

Readers: Hilary Shouldice

Intercessions: David Dallaway

Projectionist: Audrey Robinson

Sides people: Judy and David Dallaway

Altar Guild: Arlene Simonovich, Beth Barden, Sylvia Stephens

Notice Board

Mon Dec 18	Tues. Dec. 19 th	Wed Dec. 20 th	Thurs Dec. 21 st	Friday Dec. 22 nd
	Cornerstone Practice 7:15 Advent Study 7:00		Choir Practice 7:00	
Readings for next Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Advent 2 Samuel 7: 1-11, 16 Luke 1: 46b-55 Romans 16: 25-27 Luke 1: 26-38			Saturday Dec. 23 rd	Sunday Dec. 24 th
				Fourth Sunday of Advent 9:00 am Christmas Eve 4:30 & 8:00 p.m.

Next Sunday, December 24th there will be one service at 9:00 am.



Christmas Flowers: Let's decorate our church for Christmas! Anyone wishing to donate towards flowers for Christmas, please fill in the form in the white envelopes in the Narthex. A list of donors and the memorials will be put in the Christmas Bulletins.

Donations should be in by **Wednesday,**

December 20th. Thank you from the Altar Guild.

The Altar Guild will be decorating the Church for Christmas services on Sunday following the 9:00 am service. Welcome to anyone wishing to help.

Christmas Services

Christmas Eve 4:30 and 8:00 p.m.

Christmas Day 10:00 am

Dec. 31st

First Sunday after Christmas one service at 10:00 a.m.

ACW wishes everyone a very **Blessed Christmas surrounded by family and friends.** Our next meeting will be on Monday January 8th, 2017 at 1:00pm in the Council Room. We look forward to greeting old friends and new at the start of another year. God bless us all.