

## Christmas Services

### Christmas Eve, December 24

4:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist – Children’s Service  
6:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist – Family Service  
11:00 p.m. Choral Eucharist with Choir

### Christmas Day, December 25

11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Carols & Homily

#### And which Christmas service should I attend this year?

Each of the Christmas services has its own atmosphere and feeling. The 4:30 children’s service focuses on the youngest children and allows them the opportunity to tell and experience the Christmas story, complete, with a live baby. It is held early so that children can be home before 6 p.m. The Family Service is also at an earlier time, 6 p.m. This service involves the youth in the liturgy and music. The “Midnight” (11 p.m.) service is a choral eucharist, with anthems by the choir. The stillness of gathering around midnight and lighting candles is a beautiful tradition. Christmas Day is a happy service (11 a.m.) It is a good option for families and those who find negotiating the dark streets a problem. Children are often awake at 5 a.m. and there might be nothing better for everyone’s mental health than to get out of the house for 45 minutes, sing some carols, and greet your neighbors. We hope this helps you decide which service works best for you. Please invite your family and neighbors to join with us. We will be thrilled to welcome them. And ... you can attend more than one service if you like!

**Please Note: There will not be a service of Holy Communion**  
on Tue, Dec 22 at 7 p.m. or on Sat, Dec 26 at 5 p.m.

#### Shannex Holy Communion - Tuesday, December 22

2:00 p.m. Embassy Hall Chapel  
3:00 p.m. Jubilee Hall Activity Room

#### An Unexpected Christmas Gift for Sigowet School

Last week we reported to the Parish that we were running a little behind in our scholarships for students at Sigowet School in Africa. We received news this week that the Diocese continues to receive funds related to the Bishop’s Walk for Aids, which was held almost ten years ago. Bishop Edwards has decided to give \$4300 of the received funds to St. Paul’s to assist the Sigowet School! What an unexpected and happy Christmas gift! We did not communicate our need to the Bishop! An answer to pray! Thanks be to God.

#### Donations for 2015 Income Tax Receipts

Donations for which a 2015 tax receipt is required should be received in the office by noon on **Wed, Dec 30**. This will allow time for a final bank deposit to be made for the end of 2015. If you have any questions, please contact the Church Office at 847-1812.



## Welcome to our Annual Service of Lessons & Carols

A warm welcome to all visitors and guests. We are so glad you have joined us. We are grateful to Charles Willett for arranging the musicians and selecting the music for today’s glorious service. Our extended choir and Chiming Cherubim have been working for many weeks on their music. Adding to the glory of the service are Rob Dutton, Trumpet, John Buckley, cello, Danielle Sametz, violin, Deantha Edmunds, Soprano, and Jim Stewart, Pipes and Flute. Thank you for bringing your gifts to our worship this morning. We would like to acknowledge the *St. Paul’s Foundation* for their financial assistance. *O Come, let us adore Him.*

#### Sunday School today

In their extended class today, the children are preparing for their presentation at the 4:30 service on Christmas Eve, as well as having a Birthday Party for the baby Jesus. We thank them for their presentation last Sunday. This is the last week of classes before our break. Sunday School classes will resume on January 17. **Please Note:** Children participating in the 4:30 crèche presentation can arrive around 4 p.m. to put on their costumes. We extend an invitation to all pre-schoolers and early elementary children to join us. We have a good supply of sheep costumes, and all the little ones are invited to wear a costume and take their place at the manger. Just come 15 minutes before the service to get your costume.

#### It’s Time to Decorate the Church for Christmas!

Following the 10 a.m. service, the Altar Guild will be decorating the church and hanging the greens. Help is greatly appreciated, especially some tall men who don’t mind ladders.

#### KV Fire Fighters

A car load of lovely toys, puzzles, books and games was delivered this week to the fire hall. The KV Fire Fighters prepare the baskets for deserving families in our area. We were also pleased to deliver cheques from the Mission Beyond Committee, ACW and parishioners totally \$1765.

#### Christmas Memorial Flowers

Anyone who wishes to make a donation towards Christmas flowers in the church in memory of a loved one is asked to please call the church office at 847-1812