

# Steveston United Church

Dec 27, 2020

10:00am

## Blessing

"May God's blessing surround you each day,  
as you trust God and walk in his way.  
May God's presence within  
guard and keep you from sin.  
Go in peace, go in joy, go in love,  
Go in peace, go in joy, go in love."

## The Benediction

"We go now, proclaiming to all the world  
the joy and blessing we have received  
from a tiny baby.  
May the world hear us as we hear you.

Please don't forget to pick up your 2021 Offering Envelope boxes  
from the church kitchen. Please phone first to see if someone is here.  
Thank you.

## Thought for the Day

"No matter how carefully you put away your  
Christmas lights, when you open the box next year,  
they're always a tangled mess."

Anon.



With the Post Office being so busy, and the two  
Holiday days, you might get this on Wed...Thurs..!

## Lighting the Christ Candle

"Let light of Christ fill this space! Amen"

Carol "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" 35

Good Christian friends, rejoice,  
with heart and soul and voice!  
Give ye heed to what we say:  
News! News! Jesus Christ is born today!  
Ox and ass before him bow,  
and he is in the manger now;  
Christ is born today! Christ is born today!

Good Christian friends, rejoice,  
with heart and soul and voice!  
Now ye hear of endless bliss;  
Joy! Joy! Jesus Christ was born for this!

He hath opened heaven's door,  
and we are blest evermore.  
Christ was born for this! Christ was born for this!

**Good Christian friends, rejoice,  
with heart and soul and voice!**  
Now ye need not fear the grave;  
Peace! Peace! Jesus Christ was born to save!  
Calls you one and calls you all,  
to gain his everlasting hall.  
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!

## Prayer

**All: Holy God, we saw the baby in Mary's arms;  
we sing out in praise and thanksgiving  
for all you have given us with unfailing love  
and compassion. We too, want to hold you,  
worship you, feel your love in all directions  
of our lives. We gather here. Amen.**

**Story, poetry, reading: love and blessing**

**Carol "Away in a Manger" insert VU 69**  
**Carol your choice ...**

**We Hear God's Word Psalm 147:12-20**  
**Mark 9:33-37**

**"The word of God for the people of God.  
Thanks be to God"**

**"Gloria, Gloria in excelsis Deo,  
Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia.  
Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!  
Glory to God, hallelujah, hallelujah!"**

**Reading insert**

**Hymn "Great is Thy Faithfulness" insert 288**

**Carol "O Come, All Ye Faithful" insert 60**

## Prayer

**All: At once you came in the hush of  
darkness, O God, to still our hearts  
by the wonder of Christmas night.  
Make us wise with the wisdom of a  
little one, that truth may be born  
afresh in us. Let not our hearts  
be busy inns with no room, but doors  
opened wide to welcome the Holy Guest,  
who is Jesus Christ, alive with you and  
the Holy Spirit, O God, now and for  
ever. Amen."**

**Carol "O Holy Night" insert**

**Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

**Carol "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks"**  
insert 75