

Holy Communion - Advent 1  
Sunday, December 2, 2018

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**We Draw Near to God**

Prelude

Welcome and announcements

Lighting of the Advent Candle "HOPE " - Marjorie Knights

Call to Worship

♪ Opening Hymn 119 Hope is a star

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

The Lord's Prayer (831)

Assurance of Pardon

♪ Hymn 113 Comfort , comfort you my people

**We Listen to God's Word**

The Written Word of God - Melisa Reid

Old Testament: Jeremiah 33: 14-16 (OT 738)

Psalm 25: 1-7

The Lord will come and not be slow, God's foot-steps can not err.

R To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

**O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame;  
do not let my enemies exult over me.**

Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;

**let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.**

Make me to know your ways, O Lord;

**teach me your paths.**

Lead me in your truth, and teach me,

**for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.**

Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love,  
for they have been from of old.

**Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;  
according to your steadfast love remember me,  
for your goodness' sake, O Lord! R**

Epistle 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 (NT 204)

Gospel Matthew 1: 18-25 (NT 1)

Sermon "Hope Over Doubt"

♪ Hymn 124 People in darkness (remain seated)

**We Respond to God**

We present our gifts to God

Doxology (830)

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Anthem Bread of life, Feed my soul

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

Invitation to the Lord's Table

♪ Communion Hymn 534 All who Hunger, gather gladly  
Apostle's Creed (found on inside cover of hymnbook)

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♪ Hymn 556 Now let us from this table rise

Charge & Choral Blessing (Hope) (See insert)

Choral Amen (780)

## Iona Announcements

**Financial update** as of November 30, 2018

	Where we are:	Should be:
Congregation	52,785.00	57,129.42
Presbyterian Sharing	3,740.00	5,500.00
Overall	81,693.90	81,001.01

### Annual Christmas Dinner

We hope everyone will join us for our annual Christmas dinner and games and sing-a-long, and visit from Santa on Fri day, December 7, 2018 at 6 pm. This is a wonderful evening of good food and fellowship that we share with Trinity Mandarin.

## Tri-Church Announcements

### Four Church Choral Concert

Please join us this evening at 7:30 pm for the four church choral presentation and carol sing , followed by a time of fellowship and refreshments, hosted by the four choirs.

### Christmas Hampers 2018

Our annual Christmas food hampers will be distributed to members of our community on request on **Saturday, December 22, 2018.**

You are invited to help with the packing and distribution of the gifts with the hampers.

***If you took and angel from the tree,  
the gifts have to be in by Sunday, December 16, 2018.***

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Sacrament of Holy Communion

Advent 1

December 2, 2018

A cordial welcome is extended to our visitors this morning.

**Ushers today:** Joe & Anna Subrata

**Ushers Next week:** Greta Baksh, Christine Ramdeen

**Fellowship Hosts** Marjorie Knights, Melissa Reid

**Hosts next week:** Marg Black, Maureen McNeish