

# All Saints' Anglican Church

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**December 30 – January 5, 2025**

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## **As you prepare – Christmas 1C**

**1 Samuel 2:18-20:** Elkanah had two wives, Peninnah and Hannah. Peninnah had borne him children, but for many years Hannah was childless. Even so, Elkanah loved her. After years of Peninnah's taunting, Hannah could take it no longer. During an annual pilgrimage to the temple at Shiloh, she sought out Eli the priest; before him she vowed that if God granted her a son, she would dedicate him to the Lord. Further, he would refrain from drink and not allow his head to be shaved throughout his life. Eli interceded with God on her behalf and she trusted in God to grant her wish. After returning home, a son was born to her and Elkanah. When Samuel was old enough (probably aged three or four), she took him to Eli, to serve in the Temple.

**Colossians 3:12-17:** Chosen by God as they are, Paul wrote to the Colossians what virtues and ethical qualities are expected of them. Paul mentioned "compassion" (sympathy for the needs of others) and "meekness" (gentleness and consideration towards others). Christ's forgiveness of them (and us) is a model for their (and our) conduct towards each other. The primary quality for the Christian is "love."

**Luke 2:41-52:** Jesus is twelve years old in this reading. After the eight days of the festival, the group, (probably the whole village) began the journey back to Nazareth but Jesus wasn't among them! Joseph and Mary returned to Jerusalem and found Jesus in the outer court of the Temple "among the teachers," experts in Jewish law. Respectful of the law, he not only listened and asked questions, but he also answered their questions.

Next week's readings: Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matt 2:1-12

## **Christmas Carol Synonyms**

Last weeks answer to **Small municipality in Judea southeast of Jerusalem.**

O Little Town of Bethlehem

## Activities this Week

### **Monday**

**Dec 30** 7:00 pm—Group Meeting, Basement

### **Wednesday**

**Jan 1** 12:00 pm – Lambton Outdoor Club, Parish Hall/Kitchen

### **Thursday**

**Jan 2** 3:00 pm – Choir Practice

### **Friday**

**Jan 3** 8:00 pm – Group Meeting, Parish Hall

### **Sunday**

**Jan 5** 8:00 am & 10:30 am Joint Service, Canon Davis Memorial

## **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

### **PLEASE NOTE \*\***

**(Every Tuesday, 10:30 am Walking Group with a 11:30 pm Lunch.**

This week TBA.

**(Every Wednesday, 10 am & 7 pm - Bible Study at the Rectory.**

**Jan 10 7 pm – Creative Word, TBA**

**Jan 13 1:30 pm – Bible Crossword, Rectory**

**Jan 20 1:30 pm – ACW meets, Parish House**

**Jan 24 5 pm – The Slice**

**6 pm – Hymn Sing**

## **OFFICE HOURS:**

Tuesday - Friday: 9am-1pm. **Steve Harnadek** - Tues - Fri: 10 am - 12 Noon

(Day off: Mon) (These are estimated times and do fluctuate, depending on circumstances. It is best to call first.