

## Service Information

### We Sing God's Praises (New Books)

- 139 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"  
143 "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"  
154 "Silent Night"  
138 "While Shepherds Watched"

### We Read God's Word

Our Reader today is Paul Rowcroft

Responsive: Psalm 102:12-22

Scripture Lessons:

- Isaiah 9:2-7 (p. 598 in O.T.)  
Luke 2:8-14 (p. 50 in the N.T.)

The Message Today:

**"In Advent We Celebrate Peace"**

The shepherds on a hillside near Bethlehem received word of the birth of the Messiah from an Angelic chorus whose praises included the declaration,

**"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to those on whom his favour rests."**

(Luke 2:14)



Each Sunday during Advent our service will open with the lighting of an Advent Candle reminding us of one of the central themes of this season.

The Lord gives strength to his people;  
The Lord blesses his people with peace.  
Psalm 29:11

On this, the second Sunday in Advent, we are reminded of the peace that comes to us through Christ. Our hope is strengthened by the peace of Christ.

(This candle is a candle for peace.)

In Unison:

**May the peace of Christ so transform our lives that we will have tranquility even in a world of tumult.**

Let us pray:

Lord, help us to live trustingly in the peace of Christ so that we will not respond to others with anger or hatred. Set our feet on the path of peace in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



*Peace  
on  
Earth*

**Alberton Presbyterian Church  
Alberton, Ontario**

**Advent II**

**December 8, 2019**

## Our Order of Service

### Instrumental Opening Music

Greetings and Announcements

Advent Candle Lighting

- \* Hymn:  
Prayer of Invocation & Lord's Prayer
- \* Hymn:

Prayer

Scripture:

Responsive Reading:

Scripture Lessons

- \* Hymn:
- Sermon:

Offering

- \* Doxology & Prayer of Dedication
- Prayers of Intercession
- Invitation to the Lords Table

- \* Hymn
- \* Apostles' Creed
- Communion
- \* Benediction
- \* "Go Now in Peace" (words below)
- \* Threefold Choral Amen

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.  
Know he will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe.  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching from above,  
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.

### Instrumental Closing

- \* Congregation Standing.  
(For those who are comfortable to do so.)

## The Alberton Church

"Reflecting God's glory to others."

528 Alberton Rd. N., Alberton, ON, L0R 1A0  
905-648-3003

Rev. "Dr. Bob" Bernhardt 905-574-0096  
(Text) 289-244-3806 [bernhardt.r@gmail.com](mailto:bernhardt.r@gmail.com)

Clerk of Session Mrs. Ann Lukey  
905-648-1406 [plukey@cogeco.ca](mailto:plukey@cogeco.ca)

Deputy Clerk Mr. Ted Morwick  
905-304-7411 [edwardmorwick@cogeco.net](mailto:edwardmorwick@cogeco.net)

Pianist: Annette Colenbrander

The digital music in today's service is provided courtesy of Clyde McLennan (an Australian Baptist Minister and Church Musician) and our own Annette Colenbrander.

Copies of a Daily devotional guide for Advent are available in Johnston Hall and you are welcome to take a copy.

**White Gifts.** Thank you for your White Gifts. Your gracious contribution of non perishable food items will be delivered to Neighbour to Neighbour for distribution in our community. This is a season when the needs are great and your gifts will enable to continue their assistance to people with needs in the Hamilton area.



We invite you to visit our website at  
[www.albertonchurch.ca](http://www.albertonchurch.ca)

## Advent 2019

### Alberton Church

On each of the Sundays in Advent we will focus on one of the traditional Advent themes. The order in which we will feature them will be Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. At the commencement of each of the four Sundays we will light one of the candles in our Advent Wreath.

### Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. - Peace

Because of the cancellation of the service last Sunday our service today will include Communion. This Sunday is also "White Gift" Sunday and your donations of non perishable food items will be distributed through Neighbour to Neighbour.

Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. - Joy

Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>. - Love



On **Christmas Eve** we will gather for worship at 7 pm. This year we are making a special effort to promote this service. We will be inviting your assistance by inviting your friends and neighbours.