#### Service Information

We Sing God's Praises (New Books)

147 "Angels We Have Heard on High"

160 "Unto us a Child is Born"

166 "Once in Royal David's City"

148 "It came upon the Midnight Clear"

#### We Read God's Word

Our Reader today is Cathy Reid

Responsive: Psalm 25:1-7

Scripture Lessons:

Isaiah 52:7-10 (p. 642 in O.T.) Luke 2:1-7 (p. 50 in the N.T.)

## The Message Today:

"In Advent We Celebrate Love"





"Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love from me." Psalm 66:20

As our observance of Advent nears its culmination in the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ, we are overwhelmed with gratitude for God's love.

(This candle represents God's love.)

#### In Unison:

We want our lives to be transformed by the love of God represented in the gift of his son Jesus Christ. We want to live in his love always.

### Let us pray:

Lord, though disdain and contempt so often destroy human lives and human loving, we pray that by your grace we may be enabled to live in love. We want to have love for you and love for one another in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.







Alberton Presbyterian Church
Alberton, Ontario

Advent IV

December 22, 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

- \* Hymn
- \* 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."

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Please join us for coffee in Johnston Hall following the service.

White Gifts. Thank you for your White Gifts. They have been delivered to Neighbour to Neighbour for distribution in our community. This is a season when the needs are great and your gifts will enable them to continue their assistance to people with needs in the Hamilton area.



We invite you to visit our website at www.albertonchurch.ca

# Advent 2019 Alberton Church

On each of the Sundays in Advent we 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 22<sup>nd</sup>. - Love



## Christmas Eve at 7:00 pm



On **Christmas Eve** we will gather for worship at 7 pm. This year we are making a special effort to invite friends and neighbours to join us. Notices of the service for you to give to people you know are available in Johnston Hall.