

# Knox Presbyterian Church

5406 Roome Street, Halifax, NS. B3K 5K7

Prayer on Entering the House of the LORD

O God you come into our lives in ways that startle us; you are the potter and we are the clay. As we begin this season of Advent: A season of waiting, of anticipation, of hope; your faithful gather eager to know your presence and to be guided by your Holy Spirit. We await your shaping us into the people you desire us to be, that we may go out in service to your Kingdom in the name of Christ. Come LORD Jesus come. Amen.

Order of Worship for 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent November 27, 2011

## We gather in God's name to worship

Organ Prelude

Welcome and announcements

Call to Worship

Lighting the Advent Candle of Hope – Reta Tulloch

\*Hymn #477: *Your hand, O God has guided*

Prayer of Adoration, Confession and Assurance of Pardon

\*Hymn #296: *The clay-stained hands of love*

## We hear the Word proclaimed

Children's message

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 64:1 – 9 (727)  
Psalm 80:1 – 7, 17 – 19 Book of Psalms  
1Corinthians 1:3 – 9 (1105)  
Mark 13:24 – 37 (984)

Leader: The Word of the LORD **People: Thanks be to God**

Choir Anthem

Sermon: A wake-up call from God

## We respond to God's Word

\*Hymn #626: LORD of all power

The Offering

\*Presentation & Dedication of our Gifts (Doxology #830)

Pastoral Prayer and the LORD's Prayer (*debts & debtors*)

## We go forth to serve God

\*Hymn #110: *Come, thou long expected Jesus*

\*Commissioning and Benediction

\*Choral "Amen"

Organ Postlude

\*Please stand if you are able

We extend a warm welcome to all who are joining us for worship this morning. If this is your first time worshipping with us, we would be delighted if you would sign our Guest Book. We invite you to stay for coffee/tea and fellowship following the service in the lobby so that we may have an opportunity to get to know you a little better. May God grant His blessing upon you and this gathering of His people.

Ministers: The whole people of God who call Knox their home

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**Greeter: Jackie Robertson**

Today's bulletins are in memory of Catherine Cook

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

~ Thank you to all who contributed to a most enjoyable pot luck and decorating party. The food and fellowship was wonderful.

~ In light of the discussions at the meeting last Saturday with the special committee of Presbytery, I will be leading a time of prayer in the Parlour on Sunday mornings from 10:15 – 10:45. If anyone is interested in joining in, please come and offer your prayers for this, Christ's church.

~ There are a few unaddressed copies of the Advent Letter and calendar on the table in the lobby. If you know of anyone who would enjoy having a copy, please feel free to take one for them.

**Thurs Dec 1<sup>st</sup>** – 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. – Everyone is invited to our Bible study as we continue to prepare our hearts to receive our King.

~ *Special Days* ~

Nov 27 – Rod Dunn – Happy Birthday Rod

## Texts for next Sunday – Advent 2 – Peace

Isaiah 40:1 – 11

Psalm 85:1 – 2, 8 – 13

2Peter 3:8 – 15a

Mark 1:1 - 8