

**Chalmers-Wesley United Church**  
**Second Sunday in Advent**  
**December 6, 2009**  
**Worship Leader: Beth Huse**  
**Director of Music: Alain LeBlond**

**Personal Reflections:**

**Jeremiah 6:16**

Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths. Ask where the good way is, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your soul.

**Hebrews 1:14**

Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Prayers of the People** What good news is ours! God gave us his promise that a Savior would come, and he has kept his word. This is the joy, the heart of advent.

- **Hymn** *People Look East* **VU 9**

**Lighting of the Second Candle: Faith**

- **Hymn** *A Candle is Burning—2<sup>nd</sup> verse* **VU 6**

**Responsive Singing: Good King Wenceslas**

**All:** Good King Wenceslas looked out, on the Feast of Stephen,  
When the snow lay round about, deep and crisp and even;  
Brightly shone the moon that night, tho' the frost was cruel,  
When a poor man came in sight, gath'ring winter fuel.

**Solo:** Hither, page, and stand by me, if thou know'st it, telling,  
Yonder peasant, who is he? Where and what his dwelling?

**All:** Sire, he lives a good league hence, underneath the mountain;  
Right against the forest fence, by Saint Agnes' fountain."

**Solo:** Bring me flesh, and bring me wine, bring me pine logs hither:  
Thou and I will see him dine, when we bear them thither.  
Page and monarch, forth they went, forth they went together;  
Through the rude wind's wild lament and the bitter weather.

**All:** Sire, the night is darker now, and the wind blows stronger;  
Fails my heart, I know not how; I can go no longer.

**Solo:** Mark my footsteps, good my page. Tread thou in them boldly  
Thou shalt find the winter's rage freeze thy blood less coldly.

**All:** In his master's steps he trod, where the snow lay dinted;  
Heat was in the very sod which the saint had printed.  
Therefore, Christian men, be sure, wealth or rank possessing,  
Ye who now will bless the poor, shall yourselves find blessing.

**Gospel:** Luke 2: 8-14 The Shepherds

- **Hymn** *Angels We Have Heard on High* **VU 38**

**Gospel:** Matthew 1: 18- 24 Joseph

**Community Prayer**

**Sermon:** *The Angels of Christmas*

**Minute for Mission  
Presentation**

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; **VU 542**  
all that we have is thine alone, a trust O Lord from thee.

**Announcements**

All night, all day.  
Angels watching over me, my Lord.  
All night, all day. Angels watching over me.

Bless my friends and family.  
Angels watching over me, my Lord.  
Bless the ones who care for me. Angels watching over me.

Angels watching all through the night.  
Angels watching over me, my Lord.  
Keep me safe till the morning light. Angels watching over me.

All night, all day,  
Angels watching over me, my Lord.  
All night, all day, Angels watching over me.

**Blessing and Sending Forth  
Postlude**

## Announcements

**Welcome to worship** with the Chalmers-Wesley community of faith. If you are a visitor or newcomer to the city, we invite you to sign our guest book and join us for tea, coffee and fellowship in the hall downstairs following the service. This Sunday we welcome our worship leader Beth Huse.

**The CW Official Board** will hold a special meeting on Tuesday, December 8 at 5pm in the church lounge.

The **Joint Search Committee** meets on **Tuesday, December 8**, in Valcartier.

The **C-W women's Christmas Party** will be held on **Thursday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>**, at 7:00pm. Please bring a wrapped gift (value under \$10 – “re-gifting” is permissible, even encouraged during the party!) for the gift exchange, and a sweet or savoury to share.

**Sunday School** class for younger members of the congregation is provided during the worship service each week by members of the congregation, on a rotating basis.

The annual **Community Christmas Hamper Campaign** is underway! This year, the fund-raising objective is \$20,000. The community fund-raising and non-perishable food drive will run from Sunday, November 8, to Sunday, December 13. Our congregation played a vital role in the success of last year's campaign and we count on your involvement again this year. Grocery bags with a list of non-perishable food items which you could donate are now available on a table in the lower church hall. Please help yourself to one this Sunday or bring items in any bag you have at home. Please, no homemade items or food with expired “best-before” dates. Volunteers to help with the sorting, packing and delivery of the hampers are also in demand. For more information, please speak to Shirley Nadeau, C-W's representative on the Community Christmas Hamper Organization Committee (418) 649-5394. Cash donations are needed to buy the perishable food which goes in each hamper – fresh fruit and vegetables, bread and meat. Please give generously. Make cheques out to the **Community Christmas**

**Hamper Fund** and mail it to: Community Christmas Hamper Campaign, c/o Jeffery Hale Community Services, 1250 chemin Sainte-Foy, Québec, QC, G1S 2M6 or give your donation to Shirley Nadeau and she will see that it gets to campaign headquarters. A tax receipt will be issued for donations of \$10 or more.

A series of concerts by the **Conservatoire de musique de Québec** will be taking place at **Chalmers-Wesley** over the next several months. For a complete list of concerts, please pick up a brochure at the church.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

Edmonde Poirier-McConnell is showing a piece in a Christmas Art Exhibition called "Ah, que l'hiver..." from December 5th to January 15th at La Nef Gallery, 750 Côte de la Pente Douce (near St-Sacrement hospital), open Wednesday to Sunday each week from 1-5 PM.

Eglise Unie St-Pierre also invites you to participate in a family Christmas Party. "Préparons Noël ensemble". The party will take place on Saturday Décembre 12th from 1:30-4:30pm in the parlour and lower hall of Chalmers-Wesley United Church. Note that leadership will be given in French. More information available on the St-Pierre bulletin board.

**OTHER:** On the You Tube web site, you can see a recent video of the Rev. Darla Sloan speaking about the presence of a French-speaking United Church congregation (Église unie Saint-Pierre) in Quebec City. It is a message (in English) with lots of shots of the exterior and interior of our Chalmers-Wesley Church. Go to the following link:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6lfQZhrQoys>

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