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To all MCBC Congregations,

Welcome to the wonder, assurance, and mystery of Advent. May your congregation experience the joy and inspiration of Jesus' birth.

New worship service health orders have recently been announced by the BC Government because of the increased risk of Covid transmission during the cooler winter months.

Worship services must be limited to 50% of seated capacity, unless all the participants are fully vaccinated, in which case the capacity could increase to 100%. Vaccination status may be determined using the BC Vaccine Card or another method that church leaders design to ensure all participants are fully vaccinated.

Masks are now required for all indoor worship services for persons aged five and up [including choir members]. Masks can be removed for eating or drinking during communion. Worship team, preachers, and readers will be allowed to speak without a mask subject to being appropriately distanced.

Restrictions regarding personal and organizational gatherings in the Fraser Valley East region remain.

We offer our prayers to those in BC who have experienced the devastating impact of flooding and landslides. May God provide comfort and assurance.

MCBC wishes your congregation many blessings during this Advent season. May we all embrace God's grace, mercy, and wisdom.

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Gerry Grunau  
Moderator  
[On behalf of the MCBC Executive]

*Let us fix our eyes on Jesus the Pioneer and Perfector of Faith. Hebrews 12:2*

We respectfully and gratefully acknowledge that we gather on the unceded, traditional, and ancestral lands of Indigenous First Nations