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Anglican Church of St. Philip 895 -0715

Rector: The Rev. Edward Keeping (Home)- 754-3748 (Cell) - 687-7109 Deacon: The Rev. Edgar Bonnell

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The Rev. Canon Bert Cheeseman
The Rev. Canon Shirley Gosse
The Rev. Russell Osmond
The Rev. Canon Don Morgan

Rector's Warden – Margaret Boone 782-0988 People's Warden – Margaret Tucker 895-2251

November 15th, 2015 (Year B)

Parish Mission Statement

God's people in the Parish of St. Philip, in a covenant relationship with God through Baptism, are called....

- To be Fishers of people in response to the call of Jesus, in the power of the Holy Spirit;
- To be a House of Prayer
- To be a Centre for Christian Teaching;
- To be Disciples in learning;
- To be a fellowship of Loving and Sacrificial Service:
- To be Witnesses to our Lord's Love through Word and Example.

Launching out into the Deep... Into New Spiritual Depths



A WARM WELCOME IS EXTENDED TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS WHO ARE WITH US TODAY. WE HOPE THAT GOD WILL BLESS US AS WE WORSHIP HIM HERE TOGETHER AT ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH.

Office Hours: Mon-Thurs: 9 am - 1:30 pm Friday: 9 am - 12 noon From the Rector's Desk

November begins with All Saints' Day and ends in or near Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again.

So the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear and disbelief that these predictions provoke in us, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us where there is no way and we walk confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.

1 Samuel 1: 4-20 – This story introduces us to Elkanah, a devout Israelite, and his wife, Hannah, who is barren. God grants Hannah's prayer and she bears a son, Samuel, who will be an important figure in Israel's history. Samuel, the last of Israel's judges, anoints the first two kings of Israel, Saul and David.

Hebrews 10: 1-20 – Images of worship and sacrifice are used throughout Hebrews to highlight what Christ has uniquely accomplished through his death. Because we have received forgiveness through Christ's death, we live with sincere hearts by trusting in God's promise and encouraging love and good works from each other.

Mark 13: 1-8 - In the last week of his life, Jesus warned his disciples concerning trials that were to come upon them and upon the world. He exhorts the listener: Do not be alarmed.

According to Jesus, the end is neither immediately upon us nor in the far distant future; more labor pains, and agonies recur throughout time, but God promises new birth and life on the other side of sorrow. For some Christian spiritualities', a literal interpretation of such a passage remains significant. For others, such a passage would have continuous relevance, since we all face sorrow and death perpetually.

A Stewardship Thought for the Week

Sometimes we visit in a home and the folks there say, "At that last church all they talked about was give, give, give." It's great to be part of a church family in which we don't have to do that. You have just largely compelled yourselves. But in the business of God, that description isn't too far off. All God has done is "give, give, give, give."

Stewardship Statement

Nov. 8th, 2015

Regular Givings:

\$1,232.00

Maint. Fund

250.00

E-Giving

Church Chuckle

Sparse Church Attendance

The preacher was growing concerned about sparse attendance, so he published this item in the church bulletin: This...is...the...way...the...church... sometimes...looks...to...the...preacher... when...he...goes...into...the...pulpit.

Itwouldlooklikethisifeverybodybrought somebodyelsetochurch.

Thank You – The Select Vestry would like to thank Gary King for the repair work he did around the church. Gary was able to remove all the rotten wood from the windows and church building and replace it all with new wood. Thank you, Gary.

Milestones

If anyone knows of someone in the Parish celebrating a milestone in their lives, please contact the Church Office.

Canticle: 1 Samuel 2: 1 – 10

Refrain: My heart exults in the Lord; I rejoice in your salvation

My heart exults in the Lord, my strength is exalted in my God. My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in your salvation. There is no Holy One like you, O Lord, nor any Rock like you, our God.

For you are a God of knowledge and by you our actions are weighed. **Refrain**

The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength. Those who were full now search bread, but those who were hungry are well fed. The barren woman has borne sevenfold, but she who has many children is forlorn. Both the poor and the rich are of your making, you bring low and you also exalt. **Refrain**

You raise us the poor from the dust, and lift the needy from the ash heap. You make them sit with the rulers, and inherit a place of honour. For the pillars of the earth are yours and on them you have set the world. **Refrain**

The Scriptural Sentence for our worship today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary, Page 392: Watch at all times, praying that you may stand before the Son of man.

The Bulletin today is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

Uriah Tucker

May 14th, 1915 – Nov. 13th, 1988

By Walter & Susanna Tucker & Family

Schedule of Services

25th Sunday after Pentecost, Nov. 15th

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP) Eucharistic

Assistant: Jennifer Tucker

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS), & Sunday school Eucharistic Assts: Mose Tucker, Charlie Gosse

Counters: Don Morgan, Ruth Hiscock

Sidesperson: Todd Martin

Last Sunday after Pentecost, Nov. 22nd The Reign of Christ Children's Sunday

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP) Eucharistic

Assistant: Ches Barfitt

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS), & Sunday school Eucharistic Assts: Marianne Baker & Joan Tucker

Counters: Don Morgan & Ruth Hiscock

Sidesperson: Gerald Sharpe

Notices

ACW Fall Sale, Saturday, November 21st. 10:00 am – 4:00 pm – Parish Centre

Baked Goods, Crafts, Christmas Cake Table, Guess Cake, Christmas Stocking, White Elephant Table, etc. Lunch – Soup and Rolls plus Cookies, \$5.00.

Harvest Festival Event: 50/50 Ticket draw: up to Dec. 5th. Tickets are now available at the church office.

ACW Card Game: Monday, December 7th, at 8:00 pm. Lunch will be served. Cost \$5.00.

The Select Vestry is having a Moose Supper with Dessert on Saturday, December 12th 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm. Cost: \$15.00 per person. Tickets are now on sale from members of Vestry or at the Church Office. Supper by tickets only. Take-out available. Deadline for take-out Dec. 9th.

Cards & Darts: A decision will have to be made as to whether or not to continue with this group. We would need more participation than we have at present and although it was enjoyed by all who attended, the numbers are too small.

If you are interested and would like to keep this group going, please sign the sheet posted on the bulletin board posted in the foyer.

Memorial Windows: The current plan is to replace every second window on either side of the church with stained glass i.e. six windows. Todate, five windows have been generously donated by church families and we are hoping to have these windows installed by Christmas. Early in the new year, there will be a special evening service where the bishop will come and dedicate these windows.

We are still accepting donations to the stained glass window (St. Philip) in the back of the church. You can give a gift in memory of a departed loved one to this window.

Preauthorized Payment (e-Giving) of Church

Offerings is an option for our parishioners. Many people find it a safe and convenient way to make their offerings and, if you are interested, please complete the form which you will find in the pamphlet rack in the fover.

For those who are giving by Pre-authorized (e-

Giving), there are plastic cards available in the foyer which read "Giving electronically to the Anglican Parish of St. Philip". We want our people to think about giving to the church by this method.

2017 Confirmation: Notice to Parents of children who will be confirmed in 2017. We have begun the new Two Year Confirmation Program for

candidates **who will be confirmed in 2017**. Please note candidates must attend this two-year program in order to be confirmed. Please contact the church office as soon as possible if you want your child to attend.

Maintenance Fund: We want to thank you for your continued support. It is very important for us to build on this fund so that the necessary repairs to the church can be completed in a timely manner. Please keep in mind that we were encouraged after the church was debt free to continue to give a dollar per day to this fund.

Parish Hall Rentals: The Parish Centre is available to members of the congregation and the public to rent for birthdays, weddings and anniversaries. Please consider renting the hall for your next important event. Any person wanting to rent the Parish Centre can call the church office at 895-0715.

Noteworthy Events

Portugal Cove ACW - Monthly Card Games are held the third Tuesday of each month (or the 2nd last Tuesday, if applicable) at St. Lawrence Parish Hall at 8:00 pm. Cost \$5.00 and lunch is served.

HELP WANTED

The Anglican Diocesan Resource Centre located at 19 King's Bridge Road in St. John's, NL requires a person to work part-time in the bookroom on Tuesdays and Thursdays for the month of November 2015. The applicant should have a working knowledge of using cash register and customer service. Training will be provided. Hours are 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. with a lunchbreak. Salary is \$12.00 per hour. Interested persons should apply to Archdeacon Sam Rose, Diocesan Executive Officer, via email at srose@anglicanenl.net or by phone (709)576-6697.

Beaumont Hamel – On the Trail of the Caribou – June/July 2016 – 10 days/16 meals – Bishop Geoff will be leading a tour to Beaumont Hamel to mark the 100th Anniversary of the First World War. For further information, please see the brochure in the foyer or see the Diocesan website.

Response after the Scripture Reading:

Reader:

For the Word of God in Scripture; For the Word of God among us;

For the Word of God within us:

Response: We give you thanks, O God.

Dismissal to be sung at the end of the service.

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.

Collect, Epistle and Gospel for 25th Sunday After Pentecost

Scripture Readings for today, November 15th

1st Reading: 1st Sam. 1: 4 - 20, Canticle: 1st Sam. 2: 1-10 (Ethel Barfitt)

2nd Reading: **Hebrews 10: 11 – 14, 19 - 25** (Wendy Decker)

Gospel: Mark 13: 1 - 8 (Rev. Ed Bonnell)

Collect for the Day: (In Unison): Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the world. Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us, and bring us to eternal light and joy; through the power of him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Collect for Launching out into the Deep: (In Unison): Bless, O Lord our God, the worship and work of this church. Grant that it may faithfully "launch out into the deep" and respond to the call of Jesus to be Fishers of People. By the power of your Holy Spirit, make it a house of prayer, a Centre of Christian teaching and disciples in learning; a community of loving and sacrificial service and a witness to your redeeming love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

<u>Prayer over the Gifts:</u> (In Unison): Holy God, in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant. Help us, through our offering this day, to renounce all things that draw us from your love. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

<u>Prayer after Communion:</u> (In Unison): Gracious God, in this sacrament we have shared the body and

blood of Christ. May we who have been nourished by holy things bear witness to his light, and share in his eternal priesthood; for he is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

Today in our Parish Cycle of Prayer we pray for our parish families. (Each week we remember a number of our families in our Prayers of the People): Arthur & Lisa Ryan, Beverly Sharpe, Blair & Tracy Sharpe, Boyde & Madonna Sharpe, Eddie & Dawn Sharpe and their families.

In our Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Parish of Holy Innocents, Paradise, Rev. Byron Barter, Rector, and The Anglican Life Newspaper.

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Venezuela – (IX, The Episcopal Church)), The Rt. Rev. Orlando Guerrero.

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador Bishop: The Right Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Peddle