

**Collect for the Day:** (In Unison) Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit, keep your children, born of water and the Spirit, faithful to their calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**Prayer over the Gifts:** (In Unison): God of life and freedom, we celebrate the revelation of Jesus as the Christ who makes all creation new. Accept all we offer you this day and make us new in him, who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

**Prayer after Communion:** (In Unison): Gracious God, lover of all, by this sacrament you make us one family in Christ your Son, one in the sharing of his body and blood, one in the communion of his Spirit. Help us to grow in love for one another and come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ. We ask this in his name. Amen.

**Parish Cycle of Prayer:** We pray for our parish families. (This week we remember): Warren & Moya Tucker, William & Rebecca Tucker, William & Rhonda Tucker, Thomas & Leila Tulk, Kevin & Joyce Whelan, Jeff & Faye Williams, Mark & Glenda Winter, Ruby Woodward and their families.

**Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** We pray for the Anglican Military Ordinariate, LCdr. Rev. Canon Jennifer Gosse, Maj. Rev. Dennis Newhook, LCdr. Rev. Beverly Kean-Newhook, Lt. (N) Rev. John Housell Drover, Maj. Rev. Canon Shawn Samson (Reserve), Capt. Rev. Canon Kris Gosse (Reserve), The Parish of the Ascension, Rev. David Burrows, Rector, Rev. Lynn Courage, Assistant and The Parish of Badger's Quay/Pool's Island (2 congregations) Rev. David Cook, Rector.

**Provincial Prayer Care:** We pray for the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, Archbishop Ron Cutler.

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Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 (Year C)

**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.**

**From the Rector's desk:** As we follow our common lectionary, and, mark the events of Jesus' life and ministry, today we find ourselves commemorating the *Baptism of Jesus*. In our Anglican tradition, as many other Christian traditions, baptism is our initiation into the Christian faith; it makes us one with Christ, as we share in his baptism. In the church, we can do nothing greater, and, there is nothing more powerful, than baptism. As the birth of a child makes him/her part of a traditional family unit, and, a member of a much larger extended family, so too, baptism makes that child part of the family of God also, and, establishes a godly familial relationship with all of us. That's why baptism is no longer a private ceremony (unless in a case of medical emergency) but a sacrament of great celebration at the main service on a Sunday, that involves the entire congregation. We all share in the same baptism, and, we have a vital responsibility to support children and their families whenever we gather for baptism. Remember the question addressed to the entire congregation during the liturgy – *will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this child in his/her life in Christ?* Of course we all respond enthusiastically with two simple words – *We will*. Just two words but they place upon us an immense responsibility to that child. We are

to remember that child and his/her family in prayer, to ask God's grace upon them. As the godparents and parents are expected to honor the promises they make on behalf of the child, so too, we have an obligation to that child. It is not by coincidence that baptism services are combined with Holy Eucharist, as these two sacraments go hand in hand, and are the chief sacraments of the church. As a traditional family grows stronger as they share their lives together, so too, the family of God grows stronger as we meet regularly around the Lord's table and receive a holy meal of bread and wine, which becomes too us, the body and blood of Christ. Jesus was baptized by John in the Jordan river, not because he needed to have sin washed away, for he was without sin, but rather because he was leading us by example, showing us clearly how to become part of the family of God. Our next baptismal service will be held on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, and I pray we will already begin to pray for that child. As of now, I know of only one child to be baptized at that time, but there may be others, the child is *Jenna Beverly Anne Bartlett*, infant daughter of Kelly Squires and Francis Bartlett. Please keep that child and her parents in your daily prayers and devotions, for soon she will be part of our parish family here at St. Philip's. (Rev. Randy)

**A reminder to those who find themselves as patients in our local hospitals,** that hospital chaplains are available for pastoral care. Please don't assume that the chaplain will automatically know you are there. As we know, hospitals are very diligent in protecting the privacy of all patients, so it may be that your name will not be on the visitation list unless you specifically ask for it to be there. When you are admitted please be very clear that you want the Anglican chaplain to visit you if that is your wish.

**Planned Giving is an important teaching of the church.** Our diocese has a Planned Giving consultant that would love to speak to anyone that has an interest in learning more about how this works, especially the importance of having up-to-date wills, that state explicitly what a person's last wishes are for his/her estate. You can visit the diocesan website also to get more information, and, we do have brochures on the table in the foyer. Here is some of the information you will see on the website: *Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received – only what you have given: a full heart enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice and courage. Our parish has been the recipient of planned gifts in the past, from those who wanted to include their beloved church in their will. If you would like to speak to our diocesan consultant, Kevin Smith about this, please call*

709-576-6697 or by  
Email: [kevinsmith709@gmail.com](mailto:kevinsmith709@gmail.com)

**What are those blue envelopes in our boxes?** The Primate's World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF) is the Anglican Church of Canada's agency for sustainable development and relief. Through the support of Anglican parishes across Canada, PWRDF makes financial and human resources available to partners around the world working to improve health, food security and livelihoods for vulnerable people. Please make use of your envelopes and know that your contribution makes a difference to the lives of others all over the world.

"Working towards a truly just, healthy and peaceful world." – Micah 6:8

### **Dismissal Song:**

**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.**

**As we begin another year**, your rector and vestry are hoping that we will have ended 2018 financially on track as a parish. As we try to adhere to the diocesan expectation of parishes to be more ministry and mission minded going forward, we will need to put a special emphasis on envelope givings and less on fundraising. A financially healthy parish is one that meets at least 80 – 90 percent of its annual budget by free-will givings in the offering plate. Many of the folks that do fundraising in parishes are the ones that are getting older and just don't have the energy to keep up with it. We would like to arrive at a time and place where fundraising activities will be used for outreach ministry more than meeting parish budgets out of necessity.

**When do I stand, sit or kneel?** Some call this "Anglican Calisthenics"... sometimes people are confused especially when others around them are kneeling, standing or sitting. but feel free to follow your preferences. Our goal is worship and not conformity, so, whatever you choose to do is right for you.

**Our church band will begin early in the new year!** Rev. Randy will meet with those who have signed up, Dr. Greg Brown, Kenny Brown, Trevor Eddy, Dr. Keegan Au and Cathy Squires as soon as possible. Others are invited to be a part of this band as well.

## Notices

**St. Philip's ACM will be holding their January meeting at St. Luke's home on Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> (note change of date).** One of our faithful members, Clyde Bradbury, is a resident of St. Luke's, and no longer able to come to church, so we thought it would be good to visit him for a meeting, and share a snack and fellowship. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm and if any of our men plan to attend please let us know, as the home will need to know how many to prepare the snacks for.

**Bible Study resumes on Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.** Please note this is a change from the original startup date of January 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Annual Congregational meeting** will be held on **Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**. All groups and individuals in the parish that need to submit an annual report are asked to have them ready for copying by Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. Please pass them along to Rev. Randy.

**New Vestry members will be needed** at the annual meeting in February. Membership on the Vestry is open to anyone in the congregation with an interest in serving. Vestry meets once per month, on the second Tuesday, to deal with the business of operating our parish, and to plan and carry out many things. Please prayerfully consider giving of your time for this very important decision-making group.

**Still many boxes of church envelopes in the foyer** that need to be distributed. Please have a look, and, if you know any of the people, or if they are your friends, neighbors or relatives perhaps you can deliver them. If you are new to St. Philip's parish and require a package of envelopes please let us know and we will get them for you.

**Needed – someone to shovel out church doors.** Because we have the Canon EB Cheeseman Parish Centre rented out regularly, we need to ensure that all exits are cleared after every snowfall. Our biggest group is The Ballicatters, an after-school program, that rents the centre Monday – Friday, 2:00 – 6:00 pm. With all these children present we must ensure that all the doors are free of snow in case of emergency. If you know of someone that would like to accept this responsibility please speak to the rector or church wardens. Vestry is prepared to pay for this service.

**For the recently Confirmed young people –** Now that you have been Confirmed a month, Rev. Randy is very interested in meeting with you again as a group to talk about your experience of Confirmation and how you might be involved in the life of St. Philip's parish. You are invited to a pizza supper on Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm. Come along with any ideas you might have of what you do as a youth at St. Philip's church.

## Church Chuckle

**Did you hear about the new liberal branch of the Church of England? It has six commandments and four suggestions.**



**The church is on Facebook**

**Take a look!**

[www.facebook.com/stphilipsanglicanchurch](http://www.facebook.com/stphilipsanglicanchurch)

**Prayerfully consider your Parish in your estate Planning.**

## **Stewardship thought For the Week**

How can we say thanks to God for the awesomeness of his world? Our dedicated gifts today are one small expression.

<b>Yearly Budget for Envelope giving for 2018 - \$95,000.00</b>	
<b>Needed Monthly - \$7,916.67</b>	
<b>Needed Weekly - \$1,979.16</b>	
<b>Rec'd Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> Regular Giving Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 790.00 \$ 300.00</b>
<b>Rec'd Year to Date Regular Giving Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 790.00 \$ 300.00</b>
<b>Total brought in for Jan. 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>\$ 1,810.00</b>

**The Scriptural Sentence for our worship**  
today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary  
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***A voice came from heaven, saying,  
“This is my beloved Son with whom  
I am well pleased.”***

**The Baptism of the Lord – Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> -**

**8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)**

**Eucharistic Assistant – Mose Tucker**

**10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS) &  
Sunday School**

**Eucharistic Assistants – Ches Barfitt &  
Joan Tucker**

**Counters: John Parrell & Gloria Earle**

**Sidesperson: Todd Martin**

**Altar Duty: Jeanette Osmond, Phoebe  
Parrell & Joan Osmond**

**Second Sunday after Epiphany- Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>.**

**8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)**

**Eucharistic Assistant – Charlie Gosse**

**10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS) &  
Sunday School**

**Eucharistic Assistants: Dave**

**Bartlett/Todd Martin**

**Counters: John Parrell & Gloria Earle**

**Sidesperson: Gerald Sharpe**

**Altar Duty: Margie Tucker & Ethel Barfitt**

**The Collect, Epistle and Gospel for**  
**Today – The Baptism of the Lord**  
**Sunday – Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**Scripture Readings**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Isaiah 43: 1-7**

**Psalm 29; Page 738**

**(Joan Osmond)**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Acts 8: 14-17**

**(Rev. R. Osmond)**

**Gospel: Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22**

**(Deacon Bonnell)**

### **OTHER NOTES**

**Town of Portugal Cove – St. Philip’s Winter  
Carnival Celebrations** will be held Friday,  
February 8<sup>th</sup> until Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Thank you to all those who volunteer** their  
time and give so freely of themselves in our  
parish. We are really blessed to have so many  
committed and faithful lay people involved in  
the life of our parish. We encourage everyone  
to get involved in some area(s) of parish life in  
2019. You will be blessed by it and God will  
use you to bless others.

**Thank you to the congregation** for your  
support of the parish in 2018. Again, at the  
end of the year we were able to pay all of our  
bills and end the year on a sound financial  
footing. Our greatest single source of income,  
vital to the health of the parish, comes from  
your weekly envelopes and E-Transfer givings.  
In the past couple of years we set that part of  
our budget at \$95,000.00 In 2017 we reached  
\$88,448.00 of that amount, we are pleased  
that at the end of 2018 we achieved  
\$94,573.00, an increase of \$6124.00 or 7%.  
We were only \$427.00 from our budgeted  
goal, so we are very pleased with that  
increase. Please continue with your regular  
offerings, and, as God continues to bless you  
and bless our parish together, we have no  
doubt that at the end of 2019 we will surpass

this amount again. Remember your church  
depends entirely on you to remain healthy  
and vibrant doing God’s work in the parish, in  
the diocese and beyond.

**Many parishioners have signed up to be E-  
Givers** . This is simply a direct giving plan, you  
determine what you want to contribute to the  
parish weekly, bi-weekly or monthly, and it  
automatically transfers from your account to  
the parish account. This eliminates the need  
to prepare church envelopes on Sunday, and,  
the good thing is that even when you can’t  
make it to church you are still helping the  
parish to stay current with all its bills. When  
the offering plate comes around you simply  
drop in a small token card that says – *I Give  
Electronically to Anglican Parish of St. Philip’s*.  
For anyone interested in signing up for this  
we have the forms available in the parish  
office. E-Giving can be changed or stopped  
anytime you want.