

Dismissal Songs

"Go Now in Peace"

*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.*

"Let There Be Love"

*Let there be love shared among us,
let there be love in our eyes;
may now your love sweep this nation,
cause us, Oh Lord to arise;
Give us a fresh understanding,
of Christian love that is real;
let there be love shared among us,
let there be love.*

"May God's Blessing"

*May God's blessing surround you each day,
As you trust Him and walk in his way.
May his presence within
Guard and keep you from sin,
go in peace, go in joy, go in love.*

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April 6th & 13th, 2025 (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: Today we complete the five Sundays of Lent (April 6th) and next Sunday will be the beginning of Holy Week, and, and from Palm Sunday until Good Friday we will experience the heartache of seeing our Lord betrayed, arrested, placed on trial, mocked, physically tortured and, finally, crucified horrendously on a cross. It all begins on Palm Sunday, as Jesus rides into Jerusalem, where he is welcomed and celebrated as a king. The Jewish people had long awaited a Messiah, a warrior king who would lead them into victorious battle over the Roman oppressors, thus freeing them from many years of oppressive domination. So, the people lined the streets of Jerusalem shouting *Hosanna, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest*. They waved Palm branches, they placed their garments on the ground so that Jesus could parade in and not get dirty and dusty. Their first clue that Jesus was not the kind of king they were looking for should have been the donkey he was riding upon. A donkey, a symbol of humility and passivity, was the opposite of a mighty strong horse that can be aggressive and always ready for battle. It didn't take long before the people would realize that this man, Jesus, was not the one they were waiting for. Jesus would talk about love, forgiveness, turning the other cheek, so, within a couple of days those same people would be shouting out – *Crucify him, Crucify him*. I suppose, given their disappointment, it may have been a natural human response, all they could see now was a certain future of hardship under Roman rule, their hopes for freedom were dashed. We have never lived under an oppressive government where our rights and freedoms are restricted and violated, and any form of protest from us is met with physical punishment, prison or even death. Though the world we live in today does cause us great concern about our safety and freedoms. Perhaps most of us would be disappointed to had we been standing there given the hardship of life at that time under Roman rule. They could not see at that point that Jesus was truly a king, the greatest king that ever lived, and that his kingdom encompassed both heaven and earth. Though his birth was in a lowly stable, born of poor earthly parents, lived a simple life, and often had

nowhere to lay his head, had no luxuries afforded to him, he would be the most majestic king to ever live. Jesus, at his arrest and trial, makes it very clear that his Kingdom is not of this world. His Kingdom is a heavenly one, his servants are you and I, and everyone on earth that bows their knee to him and professes him as Lord and Saviour. You and I have the benefit of knowing how the story ends, but the people of that first Palm Sunday, had no way of knowing what was about to unfold before them, and so we can't be too critical of them. Perhaps there have been times in our own lives when we have praised the name of Jesus, only later to angrily take that same name in vain. Jesus harbored no ill will toward them, his love extended to them even as they shouted for his crucifixion, and he asked God to forgive them all, even his executioners. Many of them in the days after his death, resurrection and ascension would become believers and servants, and tireless labourers in the vineyard of service, people like Saul, the greatest persecutor of Jesus and his followers, who, after his conversion would be known as Paul. The drama that started then is still ongoing, the last word is still unspoken, and you and I are not merely spectators watching from the sidelines of history, we are part of the ongoing events of Christianity that started then and is still being worked out. Join us as we prepare for the final sprint toward Easter (April 20th) going from the glory of the palms to the glory of the Resurrection. At a time when the world tilts more and more toward secularism, may we make an intentional effort to make Holy Week and Easter a very special spiritual journey with Jesus this year.

Rev. Randy

Mid-week Lenten services will be held each Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm. The theme of our services this year is *Facing the Cross*, each week we will look at various areas of the Christian journey, such as, *facing temptation, facing our fears, facing our worldliness, facing one another, and facing suffering*. You are invited to join us each week for the services.

Altar Guild ladies and cleaners are needed. We have several teams that clean and look after the sanctuary of the church, and prepare the altar for Sunday Eucharist, setting up the vessels, cleaning and putting them away after, etc. As is the case in many churches, some of our ladies are unable to continue this, they get older and have health issues, etc. We are asking other ladies of our congregation to step in and take on some of this work. It might mean helping once per month, or whatever level of commitment you can make. If you are able to help with this please speak to Margie Tucker and she will be pleased to add you to the schedule and explain the work they do.

Thank you to Florence Morgan & Winnie Lynch for looking after the *Coffee Hour* at church today (April 6th). Our coffee hour is meant to provide fellowship, and an opportunity to get to know each other better. We also encourage parishioners to invite someone else to come with them as well.

Please note the Holy Week and Easter worship services will be held as follows: Palm Sunday usual service times; Wednesday and Thursday at 7:00 pm in Holy Week; Good Friday at 12:00 noon; Easter Sunday – 7:00 am Holy Communion followed by breakfast and 10:30 am Holy Eucharist. If you plan to attend the breakfast on Easter Sunday, following the 7:00 am service, please sign your name on the sheet provided in the foyer. There is no cost for breakfast.

Our parish is set-up to receive E-Transfers. If you would like to make online contributions to St. Philip's parish by EMT it is very easy to do so. Simply use the parish email as follows: stphilipsanglicanchurch@nf.aibn.com and use the message box of the transfer to indicate what your donation is for.

Many parishioners are also set up for automatic E-giving. If this is something you would like to do, please visit the parish office to obtain the proper form, fill it out and return it. Our parish treasurer will then set it up and biweekly or monthly deductions (whichever you prefer) are automatically transferred to the parish from your banking institution.

NOTICES /MEMORABLE DATES

Flowers for Easter - If you would like to give a donation towards flowers to be placed in the Sanctuary during Easter in memory of departed loved ones, please pick up a Sanctuary Fund envelope in the foyer. Deadline is Tuesday, April 15th (Holy Week). The names of loved ones will be printed and available on Easter Sunday morning if you would like a copy of the list.

April 15th. The next Vestry meeting will be held Tuesday, April 15th at 7:00 pm in the board room.

April 27th. The date for the next baptismal Sunday will be April 27th. Anyone with a child to be baptized at that time should speak to Rev. Randy very soon.

If anyone would like to donate a Gift Card as a prize for the ACW card game on **April 29th** It would be very much appreciated. The Gift cards can be dropped off to the church office.

June 23rd-29th. Anglican **Church of Canada General Synod** will be held June 23rd – 29th at London, Ontario, in the diocese of Huron.

July 28th. The date for the annual Flower service is Sunday, July 28th at 3:00 pm. Should the weather not be suitable the service will be held inside the church.

Diocesan mobile ministry bus. Our diocese is very excited about this project, and, if you receive the Anglican Life magazine every month, there is a big writeup in it about this new ministry. We recognize that many people in our metro region are homeless, sleeping on the streets or wherever they can find a place to tuck away for the night. As we can appreciate, our weather is not always suitable for this, and people are left in the cold, inadequately dressed, and lacking food. The diocese is going to receive a metro bus that is being taken out of service, free of cost, and it will be setup as a mobile unit that will go around the area, especially downtown, handing out essentials, such as socks, mittens, caps, coffee/tea, soup, muffins, sandwiches etc. Every parish is asked to get involved in donating items for the bus, operating the bus, or make monetary donations. Would be a great thing for our parish knitters to think about doing? We are excited to do our part once the bus is operational. **The bishop has called for the submission of names that the bus might be called. If you have one please submit it to: adminassistant@anglicanenl.net**

***THIS BULLETIN IS GIVEN
TO THE GLORY OF GOD***

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Derek Mercer
(April 16, 1953 – June 13, 2019)

*Forever in our Hearts
Carol & Family*



IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Randy Chafe
(April 8, 1952 – July 10, 2022)

*Sadly missed & forever loved
Marie & Nicole
Debbie & Bob*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Father – **William Joshua Rogers**
Uncle – **Nathanial Tucker**
Grandfather – **Joshua Rogers**
Grandmother – **Sylvia Rogers**

*Given By:
Kevin Rogers*

<p><u>Lenten Mid-week Service</u></p> <p><u>April 9th</u></p> <p><u>1st Reading</u> Job 19: 25-27 <i>(Harvey Hiscock)</i></p> <p><u>2nd Reading</u> Philippians 3: 8-11 <i>(Ruth Hiscock)</i></p> <p><u>Gospel</u> Matthew 27: 27-31 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i></p> <p><u>April 16th</u></p> <p><u>Service of Tenebrae</u> 7 P.M.</p>	<p><u>Lenten Mid-week Service</u> <i>(Maundy Thursday)</i></p> <p><u>April 17th</u></p> <p><u>1st Reading</u> Exodus 12: 1-14 Psalm 116: 1 & 10-17 Pages 864-865 <i>(Allie Wheeler)</i></p> <p><u>2nd Reading</u> 1st Corinthians 11: 23-26 <i>(Glenda Winter)</i></p> <p><u>Gospel</u> John 13: 1-17 & 31b -35 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i></p>	<p><u>April 6th</u> <i>5th Sunday in Lent</i></p> <p><u>Scriptural Sentence</u> <i>"All I care for is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection."</i></p> <p><u>1st Reading</u> Isaiah 43 : 16-21 Psalm 126 / Page 885 <i>(Rev. Russell Osmond)</i></p> <p><u>2nd Reading</u> Philippians 3: 4b-14 <i>(Joan Osmond)</i></p> <p><u>Gospel</u> John 12: 1-8 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i></p> <p><u>Collects & Prayers</u></p> <p><u>Collect</u> – Most merciful God, by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ, you created humanity anew. May the power of his victorious cross transform those who turn in faith to him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.</p> <p><u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – Eternal God, your only Son suffered death upon the cross to bring the world salvation. Accept the praise and thanksgiving we offer you this day, in the name of Jeus Christ the Lord. Amen.</p> <p><u>Prayer after Communion</u> – Merciful God, you have called us to your table and fed us with the bread of life. Draw us and all people to your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.</p>	<p><u>April 13th</u> <i>6th Sunday in Lent</i> <i>(The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday)</i></p> <p><u>Liturgy of Palms (at the back of the church) Luke 19: 28-40</u></p> <p><u>1st Reading</u> Isaiah 50: 4-9a Psalm 31: 9-16/Pages 768-770 <i>(Gloria Earle)</i></p> <p><u>2nd Reading</u> Philippians 2: 5-11 <i>(Dave Earle)</i></p> <p><u>Gospel</u> Luke 22: 14-23 & 56: <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i></p> <p><u>Collects & Prayers</u></p> <p><u>Collect</u> – Almighty and everliving God, in tender love for all our human race you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take our flesh and suffer death upon a cruel cross. May we follow the example of his great humility, and share in the glory of his resurrection: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.</p> <p><u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – Gracious God , the suffering and death of Jesus your only son, make us pleasing in your sight. Alone we can do nothing, but through his sacrifice may we receive your love and mercy. Amen.</p> <p><u>Prayer after Communion</u> – God our help and strength, you have satisfied our hunger with this eucharistic food. Strengthen our faith that through the death and resurrection of your Son, we may be led to salvation, for he is Lord now and forever. Amen.</p>	<p><u>April 18th</u> Good Friday</p> <p>Isaiah 52: 13-53:12</p> <p>Psalm 22: 1-17</p> <p>Pages 728-731</p> <p><u>2nd Reading</u> Hebrews 10: 16-25 <i>(Dr. Greg. Brown)</i></p> <p><u>Gospel</u> John 18: 1-19 & 42 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i></p>
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