

## *Dismissal Songs*

### *“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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**July, 2023 (Year A)**

**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 I write today (June 29<sup>th</sup>) we are approaching the Canada Day celebrations, a time for us to reflect on all that is good about our nation. There are many who chose to dwell on what is negative, which, unfortunately, overshadows our gratitude for all the blessings we enjoy as Canadians. Of course, we don't live in a perfect nation, for such a place does not exist on earth, we pay way too much in taxes, we have some degree of political corruption, we have families that live in abject poverty, individuals that live on the streets, families that rely on food banks to get by each month, seniors that choose between buying medications, eating healthy, or heating their homes, our national healthcare system facing the biggest challenge since the beginning of universal healthcare in 1959, with a shortage of doctors, nurses and other medical professionals. This list can go on and on, and I'm sure you add your own examples of what is wrong with our nation to it. If we spend all our time focusing on the things that are wrong, then we miss out on the joy of celebrating all the good things about life in Canada. That is really the meaning of Canada Day, to really express why we are proud to be Canadian. It might even be a day to disconnect from social media, to give ourselves a break from the flying arrows of negativity that seems to dominate these mediums.

With all that we can find undesirable about our nation, we can find much more to celebrate. Many legion groups across our province, on July 1<sup>st</sup>, will carry out commemorative ceremonies to honor the sacrifice of Newfoundland soldiers in 1916. The Battle of Beaumont-Hamel was a part of the Battle of the Somme in World War One. It took place on

July 1, 1916, when the British and Newfoundland forces attacked the German lines near the village of Beaumont-Hamel in northern France. The attack was a disaster for the British and Newfoundland troops, who suffered heavy casualties from the German machine guns and artillery. The 1st Newfoundland Regiment was almost wiped out in the battle. Their sacrifice is perhaps one of the greatest examples of why we are thankful to be Canadian. One of the marks of being citizens of this nation is our gratitude for freedom and democracy, and our unwavering desire to preserve it at all costs. The freedom we have in Canada, as well as much of the free-world came at a very high cost to millions who gave their lives for it in WW1, WW2, Korea, Vietnam, Korea, Iraq and Afghanistan, to name a few of the major conflicts in the last century. So, as we put out our flags, decorate our yards in red and white, and proudly declare our love for Canada, let us do with a sense of pride and thankfulness, for many gave a lot to make this possible. Over the next couple of months of summer, my prayer is that you and your family will have a very safe and happy summer, doing all the fun things that come with the season. Each Sunday our church doors will be open at 8:30 am and 10:30 am to welcome parishioners and visitors to worship, for our worship too is an expression of gratitude to God for all the good things we enjoy about freedom. It is perhaps hard for us to comprehend that there are still places in our world where people are not free to gather for public worship, where it is illegal to express Christian faith, and those who dare to do so face persecution and imprisonment. When we gather on a Sunday morning, we must be grateful for the right to do so. As we live out, and express our faith, we are ever mindful of Jesus' sacrifice that makes this possible. God gives us so much because Jesus did so much to make us worthy. That is at the very heart of the Eucharist – our joy and thanksgiving for what Jesus gave for us. Let us be ever mindful and grateful to God for this grace.

Have a blessed Canada Day celebration, and have a wonderful summer!

*Rev. Randy*

## **Services for July:**

**July 2** – 8:30 am – Holy Comm. (BCP)  
10:30 am – Holy Euch. (BAS)

**July 9** – 8:30 am – Holy Comm. (BCP)  
10:30 am – Holy Euch. (BAS)

**July 16** – 8:30 am – Holy Comm. (BCP)  
10:30 am – Holy Euch. (BAS)

**July 23** – 8:30 am – Holy Comm. (BCP)  
10:30 am – Holy Euch. (BAS)  
**3:00 pm – Flower Service**

**July 30** – 8:30 am – Holy Comm. (BCP)  
10:30 am – Holy Euch. (BAS)

*(Note: Flower service is scheduled for July 23, 2023 at 3:00 pm. If inclement weather, service will be held in the church)*

**Envelope drop-off box in the foyer.** The box formerly used to collect Canadian Tire money, has now been re-purposed to receive weekly envelopes. This box is accessible most days of the week (Monday – Friday) in the afternoons, when the main doors are open. If you have church envelopes to drop off to the church during the week, and the office is not open, please drop them into the box next to the nursery room door. This box will be checked at the end of each day and any envelopes inside will be transferred to the office safe until monies are counted on Sundays.

**St. Philip's parish is set up to receive E-Transfers.** These days many of us do online banking and send e-transfers, so this is another way to make your contribution to the parish.. The parish will receive your offering instantly and a message will be sent to our treasurer and she will ensure the amount gets added to your envelope offerings for tax purposes. It's very easy and convenient. **As we move toward the Summer Season, please remember the needs of the church.** Summer is a time when many parishioners are away on holidays, camping, spending time at the cottage, etc. There are several ways that we can still be regular in our weekly offerings, so that the treasurer is able to keep all our commitments up-to-date. We have many signed up for regular E-Givings, if this is something you would like to do, simply pick up a form from the parish office. We can keep post-dated cheques in the office safe, and we can use the Email Transfer method, by simply using the parish email: [stphilipsanglicanchurch@nf.aibn.com](mailto:stphilipsanglicanchurch@nf.aibn.com) You may simply type the message "weekly offering" in the message box. Thank you for all your generous support to the parish, it helps us stay financially strong and viable. This is especially important at a time when some parishes are struggling to stay afloat and joining up with other parishes to share a priest.

Our parish website can be accessed now through a **QR Code** (Quick Response Code). By scanning the code with your cell phone, tablet or some other compatible device you will immediately be taken to the parish website. We are also in the process of updating our website so it can be current. Here is the QR Code:



## **NOTICES / MEMORABLE DATES**

**July 23 - The 2023 Annual Flower Service** will be on Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3:00 pm. We want to give everyone lots of advance notice, as some people living away may schedule their visit home around the time of the service.

**We are now receiving names for the 2024 Confirmation class.** If you have a child that you would like to have enrolled in Confirmation class later this Fall, please speak to Rev. Randy. The child should be, or will be age 11 by the time the bishop comes for the service (no date set yet but probably in Spring).

**More help is needed with the ACM recycling program.** Did you know that over the many years our ACM has been collecting recyclables they have brought over \$250,000 into the parish? Each week the recyclables are picked up from designated drop off bins in town, taken to the sorting and counting location, and counted and bagged on Monday nights. Once there is enough collected, they are taken to the recycling depot in St. John's. There is a need for more help in doing this work. If you would like to be part of this very important work, and can spare a couple of hours on Monday nights, please speak to Gary King or John Parrell.

**A Summer student has been hired.** Once again, we received a government grant to hire a student for 8 weeks. The job was advertised and we did receive a small number of applications, each one was interviewed, and we wish we could hire them all. It was agreed to hire Kaiden Snow, you will remember him from last Summer, he did an excellent job before and is excited to be with us again this year. Much of his work will be in the cemetery, getting everything looking good in preparation for our annual Flower Service on July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**The Canon EB Cheeseman Parish Centre is now available for rentals.** If you would like to book the hall, or would like information about rental costs, please contact Donna or Janice Spurrell at 895-3581. Because of costs, earlier this year Vestry made a slight increase to rental rates. It was a very minimal increase and the facility is still the least costly venue in the town.

**A few of the new lights have been donated** but there is still opportunity for others to be donated. The cost of a light purchased and installed is approximately \$1150 and can be donated in memory of loved ones. This project is expected to be started within the next few days. At a later time, we will dedicate the lights given as memorial gifts.

**We will be re-shingling the church roof soon.** In the past year we have noticed that each time we have strong wind we lose a few shingles. We have determined that the life of the shingles have now expired and the problem will only get worst over the near future. We also want to avoid the damage that comes from water leaking through the roof. We were hoping to do this work another year, especially doing the lighting project this year, however, it is necessary to get it done now. Vestry received a number of bids on the work, and they did range in price vastly; we decided to accept a bid from Metro Roofing of \$56,850.00 plus HST for a total of \$65,377.50 We will receive half the HST back (4,263.75) and we will receive a rebate from our diocesan account (2,500). Once we receive these rebates the cost of doing the roof will be approximately \$58,613.75. We ask all our parishioners to support the ongoing work of maintaining our building, by regularly contributing above and beyond our regular offerings, to the Maintenance Fund.

**Columbarium niches** are still available for purchase. Approximately 36 of the 48 available have been sold since they were first installed in 2016. The cost is still \$3000 (no tax if purchased from the church, funeral home will charge tax) The plan is to install more of them once these are sold, however, the cost of future units will be determined by the cost of purchase and installation at that time. Anyone requiring more information about the columbarium is asked to speak to the rector.

**If you would like to receive the rector's messages, bulletins and other parish information** from time-to-time please provide him with your email address by contacting him at the following address: [lockyerrandy@gmail.com](mailto:lockyerrandy@gmail.com)

**Please check our parish Facebook page as well as our website** for weekly updates. Any information we want to get out to our parishioners will be shared and please pass it along to others that may not be using this technology.

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**We give thanks for the life of Bishop Edward Marsh.** Bishop Eddy, as he was so affectionately known, retired bishop of the diocese of Central Newfoundland, passed into God's eternal presence on Wednesday (June 28<sup>th</sup>). Please keep his wife Emmie (a Bell Islander) and family in your prayers.

**We also give thanks for the life of Archbishop Claude Miller,** retired bishop of Fredericton, and Archbishop of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, of which we are part of. Archbishop Miller passed away in hospital on Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. We give thanks for his faith, and his service to the church, and we remember his family in prayer.

**Summer bulletins will be printed once a month for July and August.** Over the summer most of the regular activities in the parish are recessed and there is not as much information to share. The bulletin for each of these two months will include all the services for the month, with collects, prayers, readings and readers for each Sunday.

**Please keep our bishop and delegates in prayer** as they represent us at the 43<sup>rd</sup> General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada, taking place in Calgary June 27<sup>th</sup> – July 2<sup>nd</sup>. This coincides with the national Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Church In Canada, also meeting in Calgary. We are in full communion with the Evangelical Lutheran church, and some of the sessions will be held jointly. The focus of the General Synod gathering will be on diversity and transformation. We pray for the guidance and moving of the Holy Spirit on the bishops and lay people assembled from all over Canada.

**Anglican Charitable Foundation For Children** is a tri-diocesan fund in existence for many years, and is available to help families in need of assistance. If you know of a family that could avail of this assistance and meet the criteria, please let the rector know. This fund is also available to children that would like to attend the Church Camp this summer at Max Simm's Camp in the Central diocese. Those who qualify may be able to have their camp fees paid. As well, later when school reopens there may be families in difficult financial positions that could use assistance in getting the children ready for school again.

## **THE BULLETIN FOR THE**

### **Month of July**

### **IS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD**

### **IN LOVING MEMORY OF**

### **Phyllis Sharpe**

**(July 2, 1956 – July 1, 1990)**

*"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die... ."*  
*(Ecclesiastes 3.1)*

**Lovingly remembered  
By her family**

**"Forever in our hearts"**

**July 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Scriptural Sentence**  
*“If any serve me,  
the Father will honour them”*

**1st Reading**  
*Isaiah 32: 1-5, 16-18*

*Psalm 85: v. 7-13*  
*Page: 819*  
*(Joyce Keeping)*

**2nd Reading**  
*Colossians 3: 12-17*  
*(Rev. Russell Osmond)*

**Gospel**  
*John 15: 12-17*  
*(Deacon Bonnell)*

**Collects & Prayers**

**Collect** – Almighty God, whose wisdom and whose love are over all, accept the prayers we offer for our nation. Give integrity to its citizens and wisdom to those in authority, that harmony and justice may be secured in obedience to your will; 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** - Judge eternal, accept all we offer you this day, and grant to our nation unity and peace. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

**Prayer after Communion** – God of love, may we who have taken holy things grow in unity and peace. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

**July 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Scriptural Sentence**  
*“Blessed is our Father, Lord of  
heaven and earth, who has revealed  
these things to the simple.”*

**1st Reading**  
*Zechariah 9: 9-12*

*Psalm 145: v. 8-14*  
*Pages: 904-905*  
*(Brenda Harding)*

**2nd Reading**  
*Romans 7: 15-25a*  
*(Todd Martin)*

**Gospel**  
*Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30*  
*(Deacon Bonnell)*

**Collects & Prayers**

**Collect** – Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has taught us that what we do for the least of your children we do also for him. Give us the will to serve others as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us, but lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

**Prayer over the Gifts** – God of heaven and earth, receive our sacrifice of praise, and strengthen us for the perfect freedom of your service, through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

**Prayer after Communion** – O God, may we who have shared in holy things never fail to serve you in your world, and so come to the fullness of joy, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**July 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Scriptural Sentence**  
*“The word is very near you; it is in  
your mouth and in your heart, so  
that you can do it.”*

**1st Reading**  
*Genesis 25: 19-34*

*Psalm 119: v. 105-112*  
*Pages: 875-876 and 881*  
*(Dr. Greg Brown)*

**2nd Reading**  
*Romans 8: 1-11*  
*(Betty Lewis)*

**Gospel**  
*Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23*  
*(Deacon Bonnell)*

**Collects & Prayers**

**Collect** - Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. May we find peace in your service, and in the world to come, see you face to face; 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** - Father, your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom. Receive all we offer you this day, and keep us in your peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

**Prayer after Communion** – Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom. May we who take this mystery forever serve you in faith, hope, and love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

**July 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Scriptural Sentence**  
*“My word shall accomplish that which  
I purpose, and prosper in the thing for  
which I sent it.”*

**1st Reading**  
*Genesis 28: 10-19a*

*Psalm 139: v. 1-12, 23*  
*Pages: 896-898*  
*(Rev. Russell Osmond)*

**2nd Reading**  
*Romans 8: 12-25*  
*(Joan Osmond)*

**Gospel**  
*Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43*  
*(Deacon Bonnell)*

**Collects & Prayers**

**Collect** - Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence. Give us pure hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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** - O God, accept our praise and thanksgiving. Help us in all we do to offer ourselves as a true and living sacrifice; through Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

**Prayer after Communion** – O God, as we are strengthened in these holy mysteries, may our lives be a continual offering, holy and acceptable in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**July 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Scriptural Sentence**  
*“Lord, to whom shall we go? You have  
the words of eternal life.”*

**1st Reading**  
*Genesis 29: 15-28*

*Psalm 105: v. 1-11, 45b*  
*Pages: 845-846 and 848*  
*(Todd Martin)*

**2nd Reading**  
*Romans 8: 26-39*  
*(Joyce Keeping)*

**Gospel**  
*Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52*  
*(Deacon Bonnell)*

**Collects & Prayers**

**Collect** - O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, increase and multiply upon us your mercy, that with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

**Prayer over the Gifts** - God of grace, accept all we offer you this day, as we look toward the glory you have promised. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Prayer after Communion** - God of grace, we have received the memorial of the death and resurrection of your Son. May your love, poured into us, bring us to your promises. We ask this in the name of our Redeemer Jesus Christ. Amen