

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

**Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador
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**A WARM WELCOME IS EXTENDED TO ALL OUR
PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS
WHO ARE WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY**

December 8, 2013 (Year A)

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

**The Bulletin is given to the glory of God and in loving memory
of Garfield Strowbridge
Sept. 27, 1945 – Dec. 8, 2002
Remembered by Edna & family**

**Also in loving memory of Malcolm Eric Tucker
June 14, 1952 – Dec. 2, 2013
Remembered by Sister Millicent & Brother-in-law Ray Mercer**

**The Mercer family wish to express their thanks and
appreciation to all who helped in any way to help alleviate the
sadness caused by his passing – Malcolm – Rest in Peace.**

Schedule of Worship

2nd Sunday of Advent – Dec. 8th.

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)

Eucharistic Assistant: Dave Bartlett

10:30 am Holy Baptism (BAS) & Sunday School

Eucharistic Asst: Joan Tucker, Larry Bradley

Counters: Don Morgan & Ruth Hiscock

Sidesperson: Karen Puglisevich

3rd Sunday of Advent – Dec. 15th

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)

Eucharist Assistant: Christopher Earle

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

Eucharist Asst: George Sharpe, Todd Martin

Counters: John Parrell & Gloria Earle

Sidesperson: Todd Martin

Our sympathy is extended to the families of the late Malcolm Tucker, Walter Tucker and Jessie Bradbury who passed away this past week.

Today we welcome the newly Baptized

Miya Nadine daughter of Bradley & Heather Bursley.

William Jeffrey James son of Jeffrey & Amanda Royal.

Paige Aimee Emily daughter of Bradley & Danielle Sharpe.

Lila Rebecca daughter of Joseph & Melissa Tucker.

Notices:

Advent Bible Study continues to take place each Wed. morning at 10 am. The Bible study will take place on Dec. 11th, and 18th. The Theme "Preparation, Expectancy & Patience."

ACW & ACM & Vestry members and spouses Christmas Pot Luck will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 6:30 pm. Come along and enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship.

A Memorial Christmas Tree will be placed outside the church . You may purchase a bulb to light the tree in memory of a departed loved one. All donations can be placed in the collection plate marked "Christmas Tree Bulb" or brought to the church office until Dec. 18th. During the 10:30 service on Dec. 22 we will have prayers, reading of the names and the lighting of the tree.

Services for December 24, - Christmas Eve:

- 4pm – Children’s Program & Eucharist**
- 7pm – Family Eucharist**
- 11 pm – Midnight Service**

Christmas Food Hamper anyone who would like to give a donation towards a food hamper for a needy family this Christmas please contact the church office 895-0715.

Christmas Flowers – If you wish to make a donation in memory of departed loved ones for flowers to be placed in the Sanctuary during the Christmas season, please do so before Dec. 18. Envelopes for the Sanctuary Fund are available in the foyer.

Advance Notice New Year’s Eve Dance, St Philip’s Parish Centre, Cost \$10. Single. Music by Nuttin Fancy (Dean Sharpe). Soup & Rolls will be served. BYOB, Door Prize and Dance Prizes. Deadline for tickets is Dec. 20, 2013. Tickets may be purchased at the church office, Wardens, Margaret Tucker & Margaret Boone; or Committee members Cecile Bradbury, Gary King and Barbara Skinner.

Boxes of Offertory Envelopes for 2014 may be pick-up in the foyer today.

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.

Financial Report to October 13, 2013

Weekly Envelope	1480.00	Maint. Fund	623.00
Loose Offering	67.35	Sunday School	12.00
PWRDF	265.00	Advent	45.00
Sanctuary	155.00	Christmas	25.00
Belize/Chairs	20.00	Bulletin	75.00
Harvest Fest.	25.00		
Window Rep.	30.00		

Maintenance Fund Offering – Please your pink envelope to contribute now to our new maintenance fund. If you are not already contributing to this fund, please consider it to help us with the ongoing upkeep of our complex.

Parish Hall Rental - any person wishing to rent the parish is asked to call the church office at 895- -0715.

Recyclable Donations – for your convenience, boxes are located near Sharpe’s Store on Thorburn Road and Country Convenience,

corner Old Broad Cove Road and Bennett’s Road. This is a project of the ACM.

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9am-1:30pm. Friday 9am-12 noon.

Collect, Epistle and Gospel for The 2nd Sunday of Advent
Scripture Readings for Today, December 8th..

Isaiah 11: 1-10 Psalm 72, 1-7, 18-19 Page 797

Romans 15: 4-13

Gospel: Matthew 3: 1-12

The Scriptural Sentence for our worship today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary, page 269: **Let us say it together:**

“Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. All flesh shall see the salvation of God”. Luke 3.4,6

Collect for the Day (In Unison) Almighty God, who sent your servant John the Baptist to prepare your people to welcome the Messiah, inspire us, the ministers and stewards of your truth, to turn our disobedient hearts to you, that when the Christ shall come again to be our judge, we may stand with confidence before his glory; 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

Prayer over the Gifts: (In unison) God our strength, we are nothing without you. Receive all we offer you this day as you sustain us with your mercy; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer after Communion: (In unison) Faithful God, we thank you for feeding us with this heavenly banquet. Help us always to hear the prophet’s call to turn our hearts to you; in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. 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: Courtney Hiscock, Harvey & Ruth Hiscock, Mabel Hiscock, Greer & Donna Hunt, Edgar & Maple Hussey, Ken & Colette Jewer, Gerald & Brenda Johnson, and their families.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Western North Carolina (1V The Episcopal Church) The Rt. Revd. Porter Taylor

Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Parish of St Mary, Clarendville

Rector: The Rev. Daphne Parsons

The Parish of Bay of Islands (two congregations)

Rector: The Rev. Nelson Chatmam