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**Anglican Church of St. Philip
895 -0715**

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November 8th, 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

The widow in today's Gospel gave all she had to the work of the Lord, putting her two copper coins into the temple treasury. Faithful

stewards give all that is asked and trust the Lord to be faithful to his promises.

The Gospel story for today's service is about a widow who is in the temple and Jesus is there also. He is watching as they give to the treasury. He notices this woman giving all that she had: two coins.

This story from Mark's Gospel is truly a story of stewardship. When Jesus called the disciples together, he said to them, "the poor widow has put in more than all those who have given to the treasury, for they all put in out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty, put in all that she had, her whole livelihood." (Mark 12: 43 & 44)

This woman gave willingly, joyfully and from the heart. That is the way we should give to the work and ministry of the church today. When we give like that, then we know the true joy of giving.

Here is a quote that I came across as I was preparing this for the bulletin. "If our giving is less than it should be – if it is less than that of the widow in the Gospel – then Jesus is speaking to all of us today, directly and personally." This is what he is saying to you: "Give to others and God will give to you." Try it!!

"You will receive a full measure, a generous helping poured into your hands – all that you can hold."

What this is saying is that God will bless you if you will bless others willingly, joyfully and from the heart.

God gave so generously and we are called to follow his example. Trust in Him and then you will see his blessings.

Here is another quote I'd like to leave with you today.

"We ask for flowers, he gives us a bouquet.

We ask for a drop of water, he gives us an ocean.

We ask for a grain of sand, he gives us a beach.

We ask for a blade of grass, he gives us a lawn.

We ask for something to eat, he gives us his own body and blood."

When we are filling out our offering for the Church, let us give willingly, joyfully and from the heart because of what God has done for us.

A Stewardship Thought for the Week

Can I afford to tithe?

The church is right: That mission has a real need. That school fills a really important role. That service is important to a lot of people.

But can I afford to help? Just about all of us have asked that of ourselves.

I wonder if God – as He put this place together, as He infused the good earth with nourishment, as He prepared to make the supreme personal investment, sending His Son – asked, "Can I afford this?"

Stewardship Statement

Nov. 8th, 2015

Regular Givings:	\$ 1,237.00
Maint. Fund	565.00
E-Giving - October	1,500.00

Church Chuckle

Cars In Heaven

It seems the Deacon died and went to heaven. When Saint Peter met him at the gate, he explained that because of all of his good deeds done on earth, he would be given a Mercedes for his heavenly transportation. It could have been a Rolls Royce", the Deacon commented. "But there were a number of deficiencies in your record, so this is the best we can do for you."

A while later, the Music Director died, and also appeared before Peter. She didn't fare quite so well, but was given a Yugo to drive. Although she accepted this graciously, inwardly she was upset, especially when she saw the Deacon driving around heaven in his silver grey Mercedes.

Then one day, as the Deacon rounded a corner, he saw that the Music Director had had a terrible accident. Her Yugo had crashed into a tree, and it appeared to be totally wrecked. And then he noticed that the Music Director was outside the car and was laughing uncontrollably.

So the Deacon pulled his Mercedes to the curb and jumped out to inquire what had happened. "What's going on?" he asked. "Why are you standing here laughing when you just smashed up your car?" "Because", said the Music Director between gasps for air, "I just saw the Pastor go by on roller blades."

Milestones

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

The Scriptural Sentence for our worship today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary, Page 391: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

BAPTISM

We welcome today, through the waters of Holy Baptism,

Stella Rose Bragg

daughter of

Jonathan and Susan Bragg

Schedule of Services

24th Sunday after Pentecost, Nov. 8th Remembrance Sunday

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP) **Eucharistic Assistant:** Christopher Earle
10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS), & Sunday school
Eucharistic Assts: Harve Hiscock, Debbie Collis
Counters: Linda Roberts & Todd Martin
Sidesperson: Karen Puglisevich

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

Notices

Vestry Meeting – Monday, Nov. 9th at 7:30 pm.

Women's Institute Card Game – Monday, November 9th at 8:00 P.M. Community Rec Centre. Admission \$5.00 - Lunch provided - Usual Prizes - Bring your own cards.

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.

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.

Prayers of the People Group: More recruits are needed for our group. If anyone is interested, please contact the rector.

Memorial Windows: There is still an opportunity for families who would like to donate a Memorial Window in the Church in Memory of Departed Loved Ones. The cost ranges from \$2,075.00 to \$2,395.00. We are hoping to put in at least three windows on each side of the church for the time being. The cost depends on the design, so if you are interested, please come to the church and look at the designs that are available. On the bulletin board in the foyer are samples of the designs with or without the emblem. Some will have the emblems added so that is why there is a cost range.

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 foyer.**

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 rose@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 24th Sunday After Pentecost (Remembrance Sunday)
Scripture Readings for today, November 8th**

1st Reading **Ruth 3: 1 - 5, 4: 13 - 17** Psalm: **127:**
(Page 886) (Nina Martin Sheppard)
2nd Reading: **Hebrews 9: 24 - 28** (Todd Martin)
Gospel: **Mark 2: 38 - 44** (Rev. Ed Bonnell)

Collect for the Day: (In Unison): Eternal God, who caused all scriptures to be written for our learning, grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our

Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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): Gracious God, your word to us is food indeed. Receive all we offer you this day, and let your loving-kindness be our comfort, for the sake of Jesus Christ, your living Word.. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: (In Unison): Living God, in the eucharist you fill us with new hope. May the power of your love, which we have known in word and sacrament, continue your saving work among us, and bring us to the joy you promise. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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): Roy & Linda Roberts, Baxter and Catherine Rose, David & Cheryl Rouse, Violet Ruelokke and their families.

In our **Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**, we pray for **The Parish of Port de Grave, (3 congregations), Rev. Paul Rideout, Rector, and The Parish of Churchill Falls (Joint Ministry), Rev. Julie Brace, Rector.**

In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for **Upper Shire (Central Africa), The Rt. Rev. Brighton Vitta Malasa**

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Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador
Bishop: The Right Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Peddle**