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Anglican Church of St. Philip

895-0715

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Oct. 2nd, 2016 (Year C)

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

There are some people who do not want their rector to talk about money or stewardship in the content of worship. I believe it is a mistake and my experience of over 30 years in ministry letting people know where the needs of the Church are in worship has left them in good financial standing after I have left.

Today, in this report, I am going to let you know our needs and let you judge accordingly what you can do to help us improve our financial picture.

First, we met as a vestry on Tuesday evening and from last year to this year at the end of August, our regular giving is down by \$8,000.00. It is our belief that many people are giving to the cemetery and other funds which have shown an increase. Our regular envelope budget is \$95,000.00.

We are borrowing \$50,000.00 from the Bank of Montreal for a five year period for our new heating system. We are hoping that we can go back and ask our people to give \$30.00 per month to the maintenance fund to pay off this loan.

The work done around the Church and our "Memorial Garden of Peace" plus new gates to the cemetery was accomplished by the generous estates of the late Dr. Grace Layman and Louise Tremblett. Without these estates, that work would never have been done. The after school program has provided the fence and ground work behind the church offices at no cost to the church.

There is something drastically wrong if this congregation cannot now meet the needs of the parish financially. We are spending more each month than what we are bringing in and if that continues, you know where we are heading.

With all the programs going on in the parish center (rentals), we need to look at having a part-time janitor.

I think it is important to bring before the people the needs of our congregation and

challenge people to give the life of our congregation.

I encourage you to go back and look at the annual report of 2015 and see how many people are giving less than \$5.00 per week. I know some cannot give any more but many can and don't.

We are called to be good stewards of what God has given us. What we give the Church is a thanksgiving offering – giving back to God.

These are some of the reasons that I am having a **Day of Visioning** for the parish as we move forward. Our needs are great at this time and we call upon our people to look at what they are giving and ask themselves if they can give a little to cover the cost of the furnace, a janitor and meet our regular (white envelope) giving budget for 2016.

I want to thank you all for your gifts to the life of the church in this community. May God continue to give to you in many ways so that you can give back to him as a thanksgiving offering.

May God continue to bless you and yours.

Rev. Ed

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 Song - 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.**

Milestones

Please let the office know if there are any milestones that you would like printed in the bulletin.

**The Scriptural Sentence for our worship today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary.
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The word of the Lord abides forever. That word is the good news which was preached to you.

Collect, Epistle and Gospel for the 20th Sunday after Pentecost
Scripture Readings for today, Oct. 2nd

**1st Reading: Lamentations 1: 1-6
Psalm 137 (page 895)
(Jeanette Osmond)**

**2nd Reading: 2nd Timothy 1: 1-14
(Lloyd Osmond)**

Gospel: Luke 17: 5-10 (Rev. Ed Bonnell)

Schedule of Services

20th Sunday after Pentecost Oct. 2nd.
8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)
Eucharistic Assistant: Ches Barfitt

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS) & Sunday School
Eucharistic Assts: Joan Tucker & Dave Bartlett
Counters: Linda Thomas & Lori Mercer
Sidesperson: Gerald Sharpe

21st Sunday after Pentecost Oct. 9th
8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)
Eucharistic Assistant: Todd Martin

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS) & Sunday School
Eucharistic Assts: George Sharpe & Debbie Collis
Counters: Susan Powell & Tom Tulk
Sidesperson: John Parrell

Notices

Prayer Group Meeting: Tuesday, Oct. 4th at 7:30 pm.

ACW Meeting: Wednesday, Oct. 5th, at 7:30 pm.

Junior Choir: Any young boys or girls ages 7- 9 interested in joining a Junior Choir for our church, please contact the church office for further information.

We are looking for someone to type the bulletins every third month. If you can help the other two ladies, it would be most appreciated. Please contact the rector.

A note from The Anglican Chaplaincy:

If you are admitted to hospital you should be asked by admitting if you would like the services of Pastoral Care. If you say “Yes”, you will sign a consent form and the chaplain will see you within 24 hours. If you decline

pastoral care and later change your mind, have a nurse call the chaplain. You will be asked to sign a consent and the chaplain will visit. Please note that due to confidentiality, the chaplains can only contact your parish priest with your permission.

Stewardship Thought for the Week:

A couple of years ago a series of humorous commercials was aired on television for Buick dealers. The same grizzled, finger pointing fellow acted like he was the local dealer in about twenty mid western cities. “Why should you buy a new Buick from Ed Houlihan Buick?” he asked. “Because old Ed needs the money, that’s why!” It is not exactly in that spirit that we approach the offering today . There are many more significant reasons for our giving than the church’s need for money to carry out its ministries and pay its bills. But to support missionaries, provide materials, underwrite salaries, have a meeting place, and equip a facility, our gifts of money are essential – and it costs more than a little.

That these activities continue is of high importance to us, so we bring prayerfully prepared gifts gladly.

Stewardship Statement

Sept. 18, 2016	
Regular Givings	\$ 1,720.25
Maint. Fund	\$ 120.00

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.

“Prayerfully consider your parish in your estate planning.

SYRIAN REFUGEE FAMILY – As you are now aware, five parishes have come together to form a Committee and hope to raise enough funds in these five parishes to sponsor a Syrian Refugee family. I hope every family in this parish will give to this appeal. **No amount is too small.**

+Recyclable Donations: -Recycling is a fundraising project of the ACM and **your assistance is needed.** *“We thank you for your co-operation in removing screw top covers from all bottles – plastic & glass - and further ask that you remove corks and screw tops from alcoholic beverage containers.”* For your convenience, boxes are located near Sharpe’s Store on Thorburn Road and Country Convenience, corner of Old Broad Cove Road and Bennett’s Road. If you can help with sorting the recyclables on Monday or Tuesday nights please call John Parrell. **The ACM could really use your help.**

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. **As per the motion passed at the Annual General Meeting on**

Feb. 21/16, any money received for this fund will go into a separate account and will not be used for general operating expenses. Please note: We will have to use money from this fund to replace the furnace in the near future. Please give to this fund on a monthly basis.

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.

Volunteers Needed - We would like to have a few more volunteers to help with the counting of collection after our 10:30 am services. If you can help, please let your rector know.

Church Chuckle

We were celebrating the 100th anniversary of our church, and several former pastors and the bishop were in attendance. At one point, our pastor had the children gather at the altar for a talk about the importance of the day. He began by asking, “Does anyone know what the bishop does?” There was silence. Finally, one little boy answered gravely, “He’s the one you can move diagonally!”

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.

Collect for the Day: (In Unison): Almighty God, you have built your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone. Join us together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may become a holy temple, acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives 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 of truth, receive all we offer you this day. Make us worthy servants, strong to follow in the pattern of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: (In Unison): Almighty God, may we who have been strengthened by this eucharist remain in your steadfast love and show in our lives the saving mystery that we celebrate. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

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): **Arthur Squires Jr, Catherine Squires, Christine Squires, Lydia Squires, Edith Lawrence, Laura Squires and their families.**

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the Church of the Province of West Africa The Most Revd Dr. Daniel Sarfo Primate of Metropolitan, CPWA, Archbishop of the internal province of Ghana and Bishop of Kumasi.

Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Parish of Plum Point, (5 congregations); Rev. Harold Harvey, Priest in Charge and The Parish of South East Labrador (10 congregations); Rector awaiting appointment.

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Peddle**