

Oct. 4th

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 forever. 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 (this week we remember) Scott & Sheri Howe, Maple Hussey, Ernest & Maxine Jones, Canon Edward & Joyce Keeping, Bernice King and their families.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Anglican Church of Tanzania – the Most Revd Dr. Maimbo Mndolwa, Archbishop of Tanzania & Bishop of Tanga.

Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Parish of St. Lawrence (Portugal Cove) – Rector, Rev. Canon Amanda Taylor and the Parish of St. Luke (Springdale) – Rector, Rev. Madonna Boone.

Provincial Prayer Care: We pray for the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador and for all parishes now closed due to the pandemic.

Oct. 11th

Collect for the Day: (In Unison): Almighty God, in our baptism you adopted us for your own. Quicken, we pray, your Spirit within us, that we, being renewed both in body and mind, may worship you in sincerity and 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: (In Unison): God of constant love, in this eucharist you renew the covenant made once with us in baptism. As you are faithful in all things may we, in our offering, be faithful to our calling. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer after Communion: (In Unison): Faithful God, in baptism and eucharist we are made one with you. May we who have shared in holy things always bear witness to your covenant, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for our parish families (this week we remember) Georgina King, Lloyd & Phyllis King, Selina King, Yvonne King, Reg Kirkpatrick and their families.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Church of the Province of Uganda – the Most Revd Stephen Samuel Kaziimba, Archbishop of Uganda & Bishop of Kampala.

Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Parish of St. Mark (Shearstown/Butlerville) – Rector, Rev. Paul Thoms and the Parish of St. Mark the Evangelist (St. John's) – Rector, Rev. Robert Cooke.

Provincial Prayer Care: We pray for the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador and for all parishes now closed due to the pandemic.

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Oct. 4th and Oct. 11th, 2020 (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: In just 5 weeks our friends and neighbours to the south will be heading to the polling stations to cast their votes to determine who will serve as their president for the next 4 years. This, I believe, will be one of the most important elections in U.S. history, and not only for Americans but also for Canadians and perhaps the world. Having minored in political science during my university undergraduate program in the 1980's, I have always had a keen interest in both domestic and foreign politics, because I believe our lives are greatly affected by both as we live together in this global village. The advances in communications, travel and technology has opened the world wide to us all, if something happens in the far reaches of the globe we can watch it play out in real time. Not so many years ago we relied on radio and newspapers to find out what was happening in the world, and often events were long past before we ever heard of it. This was especially true during past world wars as loved ones at home waited for news of what was happening at the front. With all of the advances of the latter part of the 20th century and the first 2 decades of the 21st century it is too bad that the human capacity for love, care, compassion, racial equality and justice has lagged behind so far. Like many on Sept. 29th, I decided to watch the first American presidential debate live on television, looking for signs that great change might be on the horizon, that there might be a recognition of all the societal ills affecting America and spilling over into Canada and beyond, and a willingness to cooperate together in finding resolution. It was not long into the so-called debate before I realized that nothing good would come from it, as it quickly disintegrated into a shouting match of insults and personal attacks. I should have known better than to expect Mr Trump to play by the rules and be courteous to either the moderator or his opponent. It was just a continuation of dirty American politics that we have been accustomed to for so long now. I have a great fear of what this election will do to the world. On a smaller scale perhaps, but everything is relative, we see some of this style of politics play out in Canada as well. It seems this global pandemic has really brought out both the best and the worst of nations. On the one hand we are encouraged by the generous and kind spirit of our neighbours and communities as we help each other out during this critical time, and, on the other hand we are discouraged by our

If anyone is going through a difficult time and in need of food because of the Covid-19 closedown please contact Rev. Randy by calling the church office at 895-0715 We have been reminding people that the church is here to help, and, if someone is in need of food we will do our very best to help with that.

Rev. Randy is available for prayer – during this time of separation and isolation many people may be feeling lonely. If you would like prayer please contact the office (895-0715) and Rev. Randy will pray with you on the phone.

What is the status of parish hall rentals? At this time The Canon EB Cheeseman Parish Centre is not available for general rentals. As of September, we made the hall available to our major renters, The Ballicatters and Eastern Health group, as long as they had documentation from Eastern Health showing their start-up plan.

We received a grant from the Anglican Foundation to help with the plans we have for the cemetery space around the columbaria. Given the difficult year it is shaping up to be for investments we are very fortunate and grateful to receive this grant of \$2500. When we start and complete these beautifications will depend on the lifting of restrictions around Covid-19. Our parish supports the work of the Anglican Foundation, and, our own Debbie Collis is a member of the Foundation.

Dismissal Song

**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.**

NOTICES/MEMORABLE DATES

The 8:30 am worship service will begin again on Sunday, October 18th. Anyone attending the service will have to register the same as for the 10:30 am service, and adhere to the diocesan and medical officer's restrictions.

THE ANNUAL FLOWER SERVICE will take place this Fall. Because of Covid-19 restrictions we were prohibited from gathering in large numbers in our cemeteries this Summer, hence Flower Services were cancelled throughout the diocese. This service is a long standing tradition here at St. Philip's, because we believe in the importance of gathering to remember and celebrate the lives and faith of our loved ones. The service will be held on **Sunday, November 1st** (All saints day) at **10:30 am** inside the church building. We are still limited to gatherings of no more than 100 but if we surpass the registration numbers a second service will be held in the afternoon at 3:00 pm. Please remember the second service will only take place if we have more than 100 register for 10:30. So please register with Donna and Janice soon by calling 895-3581 or by email: dandjspurrell@nl.rogers.com

Diocesan Electoral Synod will be held on Saturday, **November 28th**, to elect the next bishop to lead our diocese. Bishop Peddle will retire from this position on December 31st. In addition to Rev. Randy our other delegates are Moses & Linda Tucker, and Brady Snow is our youth representative. Please pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we chose our next bishop. This will be a different Synod from the past as it will be all held virtually.

Please keep our bishop in your prayers. Bishop Peddle, who is set to retire as our bishop on December 31st, is currently on an indefinite medical leave by his doctor. We will respect his privacy at this time and keep him in prayer. In the meantime Archdeacon Sam Rose will step in to

**THE BULLETIN FOR THE
WEEKS OF**

Oct. 4th and Oct. 11th

**IS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF
GOD AND IN LOVING
MEMORY OF:**

**Mother
Emma Squires
Born: Sept 11**

**Brother
Clayton Squires
Born: Sept. 27**

**Given by
Lorraine, Bob and
Susan Halfyard
&
Maria Squires**

The Scriptural Sentence for our
worship
as appointed in our BAS Lectionary.

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*I chose you and
appointed you, says
the Lord, that you
should go and bear
fruit, fruit that will
last.*

**Epistle &
Gospel**

**1st Reading
Exodus 20:
1-4, 7-9,
12-20**

**Psalm 19:
Pages 725-726**

**2nd Reading
Philippians 3:
4b-14**

**Gospel:
Matthew 21:
33-46**

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*May the Father of
our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of
our hearts, that we
may know what is
the hope to which he
has called us.*

**Epistle &
Gospel**

**1st Reading
Exodus 32:
1-14**

**Psalm 106:
1-6, 19-23
Pages: 849-850**

**2nd Reading
Philippians 4:
1-9**

**Gospel:
Matthew 22:
1-14**

Notes

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.

St. Philip's building is now open for public worship. After much preparation, our bishop has given us permission to reopen at this time based on our following all public health and diocesan guidelines. We are excited to once more, after 6 months, be able to gather together inside our building. Things won't seem the same for some time, but at least we can be together.

Bulletins will continue to be printed every second week for the foreseeable future. Presently, because of Covid-19 restrictions, outside of regular worship there are not many other activities to report on. A limited number will be available on Sunday mornings, however, we do encourage parishioners to go online at stphilipsanglicanchurch@nf.aibn to read the bulletins.

Primate's World Relief and Development Fund World of Gifts - Are you thinking of gift giving for friends and family? Why not check out World of Gifts! Go to gift guide online at pwrdf.org/worldofgifts and make your purchases 24/7. These gifts can truly change lives! As Christmas may look much different this year in terms of family getting together from away, and many of the traditional gift-giving ideas will not take place, maybe this venue with PWRDF may be a great way to give a gift to a family that will make a meaningful difference. Check out the site and see how cheap it is to provide a family with a gift of a goat, or chickens, or a donkey to carry water, or to provide PPE equipment to keep clinics safe. You can truly give the gift that gives life.

Remember (when things get back to normal) that the first Sunday of each month there will be coffee/tea, juice and other refreshments served prior to the 10:30 am worship service. This is an opportunity for fellowship and welcoming everyone that comes. Thank you to Lisa for organizing it each month and to the youth that help her to serve. Anyone wishing to sponsor refreshments for a future time please contact Lisa Lake (Brown).

St. Lawrence's Pop-up Pantry will continue to operate during this difficult time. As you can imagine, there are a number of vulnerable people in our community who are in need. We are anticipating an increased demand for the pop-up pantry and as such we are asking those of you who are able, to continue to donate. Donations may be dropped off between 10 am and 1pm Mondays and Tuesdays at St. Lawrence's Anglican church. Please note that we now accept frozen items as well. Though it is at St. Lawrence's church it is a community venture supported by other churches and community organizations including our own parish of St. Philip.

Even though our church building is now open for worship services E-Giving is still a good way to make regular offerings. The form for this is available on the church website with all the relevant information. This is an excellent way to give because even if one cannot get to the church the offering is still given. We do have a number of people making their

Church Chuckle

The sermon was about throwing all your alcoholic beverages into the river! The next hymn was called "Shall we gather at the river?"

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Stewardship thought for the Week

If God used my financial commitment alone to determine my gratitude to Him, would it pass the test?

St. Philip's parish is now setup to receive E-Transfers. With the church building closed some people are looking for ways to make their weekly, biweekly or monthly contribution to the parish. After being closed down now for 7 Sundays the parish really does need those offerings. These days many of us do online banking and send e-transfers, so this is another way to make your contribution to the parish. Simply go online and use the parish email address as follows: stphilipsanglicanchurch@nf.aibn.com and please enter your name and envelope number (if you have a number) into the message box. 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.

contributions bi-weekly or monthly in this way.
You can also call the church office to get the
form.