

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.*

“Go Now in Peace”

*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.*

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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. <i>Message from the Rector</i> Greetings from your parish of St. Philip’s, I trust you are well, and adjusting to cooler temperatures, as we begin to transition ourselves to winter. I have often reflected on the changing of seasons as they correlate to the changing seasons of our own lives, and as we get older, perhaps we reflect more. At the same time, there is an excitement about what lies ahead of us, an anticipation of what God may be leading us to. I hope we don’t bemoan the passing of time, but, in a spirit of thanksgiving for blessings of the past, we eagerly look forward to what is to come. The seasons of life are different for everyone because our circumstances of life are different. We are just four weeks away from the beginning of a new liturgical church year, which always begins on the first Sunday of Advent (Nov. 30), and that means we are only about 7 weeks from Christmas. Advent is a time of preparation for Christmas, not commercially but spiritually, though it seems that the commercial emphasis often sidetracks us from spiritual preparation. At this time of year, I always think about the kind of world it was that the people were living in, as they anxiously awaited their messiah. I think about that young couple, Joseph and his very pregnant wife, Mary, as they made the 105 km trip from Nazareth to Bethlehem, perhaps alternately walking and riding a donkey. Joseph originated from Bethlehem, and was a descendent of King David, therefore he was obligated to return “home” to Bethlehem to register in the census. With their mode of transportation, and Mary’s condition, it must have taken at least 5 or 6 days to reach their destination. When they arrive in Bethlehem there is no place to stay, others had gotten ahead of them with the influx of people for the census. I’m sure we have all experienced the frustration of arriving in a town or city, perhaps late at night, after driving many hours, only to find there aren’t any available hotel rooms, they have all been taken up because of a major event in that town. We can imagine Joseph’s frustration, and Mary’s concern, as she could give birth anytime. Who knows, the long trip may have caused her to go into labor even earlier than anticipated. Alas, the young child is born, amidst very challenging circumstances. The Savior of the world, the King of kings, the light in the darkness, the long-awaited messiah, had arrived. God, incarnate, was now physically among us in the flesh, as a helpless and vulnerable baby. What caused the birth of Jesus was the sin of the world, people had	moved away from God, forgotten God’s promises, broken the covenant relationship, and now the only way to draw them back was for God to take on human form and come among us, what we call the incarnation, God becoming one of us, to save us. We do not know God’s present, or future plan for the world, but it does seem that somehow or other we have damaged that covenant relationship again. When we look at the world, the state of our churches, we call to relevance the verse from Isaiah 53: 6 – “<i>All we like sheep have gone astray, we have turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all</i>”. In a sense, we have moved away from God again, or simply assume God will fix it without our help, and many question or outright deny the existence of God at all. It is true that the world has never been a perfect place, and likely never will be, after all, it is led by imperfect human beings, some who conscientiously work against God’s will and design. The forces of evil and darkness are always at work, but are we fighting against them less vigorously now? I suppose a good question for the church to ponder is – <i>have we given up the fight for justice, truth and love? Are we content to stay in our corner and ignore the call of Christ to change the world by his word?</i> Advent, is a time for us all, both collectively as the church, and individual Christians, to wrestle with questions such as this, and determine what God may be calling us to do and to be in the world today? One thing is for sure, there is much to be done to right the ship we are on, and to get back on the course Jesus set for us and the Church. After so many centuries, the words of Jesus still ring through - <i>the harvest is plentiful but the laborers are few!</i> Blessings! Rev. Randy	A reminder that we still collect non-perishable for items for the local food pantry at St. Lawrence’s church. The bins are in the main entrance of our church, and once they are full of food items we bring them to the pop-up pantry at St. Lawrence’s. The use of food banks in Canada, and our province is no exception, is increasing at an alarming rate. So far in 2025, there is an average of 15,422 monthly visits to food banks in our province. That’s an increase of 8.3% over 2024, and includes an average of 4700 children per month dependent on food banks. Our province has seen a 44.1% increase increase of food bank usage since 2019. We are pleased to be able to support this need and encourage parishioners to help fill our bins.	THIS BULLETIN IS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD <i>IN</i> <i>LOVING MEMORY OF:</i> <i>Uriah & Louisa Tucker</i> <i>&</i> <i>Benjamin & Evelyn</i> <i>Squires</i> <i>Given by:</i> <i>Walter, Susie & Family</i> **** Leila Tulk Nov. 29, 1957 – Feb. 7, 2019 “Lovingly Remembered” Given by: Tom, Renee, Jerred & Alexis
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<u>NOTICES /MEMORABLE DATES</u>	<u>THANKYOU</u>		
<u>Nov. 9th</u> - Our next monthly Coffee Hour will be Sunday, November 9th. Thank you to Donna and Janice Spurrell for hosting this one. Come along a little bit earlier for the 10:30 am worship and join us for coffee/tea/juice and refreshments in the foyer, and spend a few minutes getting to know one another better. Future coffee hours will be December 14th, January 11th, February 8th, March 8th, April 12th, May 10th, June 7th. If you would like to sponsor one of these events please contact Lisa Brown by email llake99@hotmail.com or speak to Rev. Randy and he will pass it along. <u>Nov. 11th</u> - Vestry meeting will be held this Tuesday, November 11th at 7:00 pm in the boardroom.	Thank you to Carol Bartlett for organizing another dessert party on behalf of the parish. Thank you to those who came and supported it and contributed the variety of tasty desserts. On behalf of our ACW, thank you to everyone who supported our recent sub sandwich sale. More than 500 sandwiches were prepared and sold, and the proceeds to be included in their annual contribution to the parish budget. Thank you also to those who helped in any way to make it a huge success.	There will not be Confirmation in 2026. No candidates came forward this year to begin preparation, so we will see if we have sufficient numbers for 2027. The bishop is still scheduled to visit us for a Sunday in 2026, so we will make that another kind of celebration. The annual Christmas Tree of Remembrance sheets are now available at the back of the church. Please return them by Sunday, December 7th. A message from our hospital chaplains – whenever you are admitted to one of our local hospitals, and would like to receive a visit from one of our Anglican chaplains, please register as “Anglican” and indicate at that time that you wish to see a chaplain during your stay. Unless you do this the chaplain may not know you are there. Anglican Life is the tri-diocesan newspaper for the three dioceses across Newfoundland & Labrador. What will you get with your subscription? Stories and photographs from our many contributors Regular and guest columnists providing spiritual and thoughtprovoking insight on a variety of topics. Your subscription includes The Anglican Journal, the newspaper for the Anglican Church of Canada, bringing you news from across the country and beyond. If you are a member of one of our congregations, you can receive the church’s newspaper for free by subscribing! Write to anglicanlifennl@gmail.com or call The Rev. Fred Marshall, Officer of the Anglican Joint Committee, at (709) 727-4346.	There are still a number of 2026 church calendars available for sale. If you would like to purchase one, please speak to Rev. Randy. The cost is \$8.00 Moving into a new home, or a new place of residence? There is a special liturgy for the blessing of homes, and Rev. Randy would be very happy to visit your home and do this special blessing. Christmas Eve is only 7 weeks away. We don’t have a large Sunday School to draw from for the Christmas Eve pageant, so we are asking parents and grandparents to speak to their children and grandchildren about registering to take part in the Christmas pageant at the 4:00 pm family service. We will need such characters as Mary, Joseph, angels, shepherds, wise men, manger animals, etc. If you have a child or grandchild that would like to be part of this, please speak to Rev. Randy to be assigned a part. The ACW is planning another Gift Card Tree as a Christmas fundraiser! We are asking members of the congregation and local businesses to consider donating gift cards for the tree. They can be passed on to our ACW ladies or brought in to the parish office or we can pick them up. Please help us make it a great success.

<u>November 2nd</u> All Saints Sunday Scriptural Sentence <i>“God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Daniel 7: 1-3 15-18 Psalm 149 Pages 908-909 <i>(Todd Martin)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> Ephesians 1: 11-23 <i>(Canon Shirley Gosse)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Luke 6: 20-31 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Almighty God, whose chosen servant Abraham obeyed your call, rejoicing in your promise that in him the family of the earth is blessed, give us faith like his that in us your promises may be fulfilled; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God n, now and forever. Amen. <u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – God of freedom, accept all we offer you this day. May we embrace the law of your service and know the glorious liberty of the children of God. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen. <u>Prayer after Communion</u> - Heavenly Father, bring to perfection within us the communion we share in this sacrament. May the unity we know this day live in our community and family. This we pray in the name of Jeus Christ the Lord. Amen.	<u>November 9th</u> 22nd Sunday after Pentecost Scriptural Sentence <i>“Jesus Christ is the first-born of the dead; to him be glory and dominion forever and ever.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Haggai 1: 15b-2:9 Psalm 98 Page 836 <i>(Allie Wheeler)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> 2nd Thessalonian 2: 1-5, 13-17 <i>(Glenda Winter)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Luke 20: 27-38 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Eternal God, who caused all holy 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, forever and ever. Amen. <u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – 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. <u>Prayer after Communion</u> - 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	<u>November 16th</u> 23rd Sunday after Pentecost Scriptural Sentence <i>“Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Isaiah 65: 17-25 Cant. 3 page 76 BAS <i>(Rev. Russell Osmond)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> 2nd Thes. 3: 6-13 <i>(Joan Osmond)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Luke 21: 5-19 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the world. Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us, and bring us to eternal light and joy: through the power of him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. <u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – Holy God, in this eucharist we renew our baptismal covenant. Help us, through our offering this day, to renounce all things that draw us from your love. This we ask in the name of Jeus Christ our Lord. Amen. <u>Prayer after Communion</u> - Gracious God, in this sacrament we have shared the body and blood of Christ. May we who have been nourished by holy things bear witness to his	<u>November 23rd</u> Christ the King Sunday Scriptural Sentence <i>“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming!”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Jeremah 23: 1-6 Cant. 19a page 88 BAS <i>(Harvey Hiscock)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> Colossians 1: 11-20 <i>(Ruth Hiscock)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Luke 23: 23-43 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Almighty and ever lasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Sn, our Lord and King, grant that the peoples of the earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, now and forever. Amen. <u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – Amen. <u>Prayer after Communion</u> - Almighty God, you have made us a royal priesthood in the kingdom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Make known his victory through us, we pray, that all the world may see his light. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.	<u>November 30th</u> Advent 1 Scriptural Sentence <i>“Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”</i> <u>1st Reading</u> Isaiah 2: 1-5 Psalm 122 Pages 882-883 <i>(Canon Don Morgan)</i> <u>2nd Reading</u> Romans 13: 11-14 <i>(Jennifer Cross)</i> <u>Gospel</u> Matthew 24: 36-44 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i> <u>Collects & Prayers</u> <u>Collect</u> – Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. <u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – God of love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. <u>Prayer after Communion</u> - God for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life. Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man. We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord. Amen.
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	bring us to the joy you promise. We ask this in the name of Jeus Christ our Lord. Amen.	light, and share in his eternal priesthood; for he is Lord forever and ever. Amen.		
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