

Collect for the Day: (In Unison): Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord. Keep the Church in the unity of the spirit and in the bond of his peace, and bring the whole of creation to worship at his feet, 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): Eternal God, our Saviour Jesus Christ has promised to be with us until the end of time. Accept all we offer you this day, and renew us in his transfigured life; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer after Communion: (In Unison): Eternal giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom. Confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for our parish families. (Each week we remember several of our families in our Prayers of the People): Mary Sharpe, Shirley P. Sharpe, Steve & Majella Sharpe, Tony & Sharon Sharpe, Blair & Tracy Sharpe, Olive Sharpe, Howard Sheppard and their families.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the work of the Anglican Centre in Rome Nike – (Enugu, Nigeria) – The Rt Revd Evans Jonathan Ibeagha

Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Parish of Greenspond/Newtown/Pound Cove (3 congregations), Rector - Rev. Cindy Graham and the Parish of Harbour Breton (4 congregations), Rector - Rev. Juanita Freeman, RD

Provincial Prayer Care: We pray for the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and the Yukon, Archbishop John Privett and the Provincial Council

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA
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**Rector's Warden – Harvey Hiscock –
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People's Warden – Gary King - 895-6239

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**

We have finished the fifty days of Easter where we have read the wonderful words of witness from people who saw Jesus after his glorious resurrection from the dead. These have been days where the church celebrated his resurrection and showed how his resurrected body has impacted upon

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our lives as Christians.

This past Thursday, the church celebrated the Feast of the Ascension which we have brought forward in this service to uplift as an important feast in the life of our church. We believe that Jesus ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father. There he intercedes with the Father on our behalf. The promise is that some day at the Father's choosing he will come again to be our Judge and Redeemer.

Early this week I received a call from a person who wanted a question answered regarding the resurrection. The body is buried but at the time of death the spirit leaves the body and goes to the nearer presence of God and upon Jesus'

return the graves will open up and the dead will rise – some to eternal life - and others will be separated from the love of God. If we only believe that at the grave it is all over, then we are spiritually dead.

Yearly Budget for Envelope for 2017 - \$95,000.00	
Needed Monthly -	\$7,916.67
Needed Weekly -	\$1,979.17
Rec'd May 21st Regular Giving Maintenance	\$ 797.215.00
Rec'd Year to Date Regular Giving Maintenance	\$ 27,063.6,064.00
Total brought in for Sunday, May 21st	\$ 3,145.00

**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:
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.**

Stewardship Statement

Our budget for
weekly regular
giving this year is
set at **\$95,000.00**.
By the end of June,
we should receive
\$47,500.02 in our
envelopes or we
will have a shortfall.
We need your help
to meet this goal by
the end of June.

Notices

Anyone who would
like to donate
shrubs and flowers
to our **Memorial
Garden** may
consult with the
Rector or Wardens.

**ACW Card Game:
Tuesday, May 30th
at 8:00 pm. Cost:
\$5.00. Lunch
served.
Please come out
and support the
ministry of the
ACW.**

**Please note, any
items to be included
in the weekly
bulletin should be at
the church office by
Thursdays, 10am.**

**Rental Rates - The
Vestry has approved
the following rates
for renting of the
Parish Centre
**effective January 1st,
2017:**
*Baby Showers,
Children's Birthday
Parties, etc. - \$75.00
Adult Dinner/Dance,
Birthday Parties with
dance, etc. - \$150.00***

****** Please
note - we were
unsuccessful in
obtaining the
Canada Summer
Grant for a student
to work in our
cemetery.
Therefore, we will
need the help of
our congregation
to maintain the
cemetery this year.
We are checking
out other options
and when details
become available
we will let you
know.*****

**The church is
now on
facebook.**

www.facebook.com/stphilipsanglicanchurch

Take a look!

**Prayerfully
consider
your
Parish in
your estate
planning.**

We have
several of our
parishioners giving
to the church
through the E-
Giving Program.
We are
encouraging more
of our parishioners
to do the same.
Forms are available
in the foyer, please
pick up one and
even if you are not
a regular
worshipper with us
then you are
helping with the

expenses that we are daily incurring. Help your church through this method of giving.

Jesus ascended into heaven and gave us a promise that he would not leave us alone but would send the Comforter to us. He has sent the Spirit to us to be our comfort, strength and to direct us into all truth!

Next week we will celebrate the coming of the Spirit upon the church. We call that Pentecost Sunday – the birthday of the church.

May the Spirit of God rest upon each one of us as we, today, worship Him in spirit and truth. Peace!

Rev.

Ed

The Collect, Epistle and Gospel for Observance of the Ascension of our Lord

Scripture Readings for today, May 28th

1st Reading: Acts 1: 1 - 11

Psalm 47: Page 764 (Joyce Keeping)

2nd Reading: Ephesians 1: 15 - 23

(Ches or Ethel Barfitt)

Gospel: Luke 24: 44 - 53

(Deacon Bonnell)

Recyclable donations: - Recycling is a fund-raising 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 and 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. If you can help with sorting the recyclables on Monday or Tuesday nights, please call John Parrell. **The ACM could really use your help.**

The Scriptural Sentence for our worship

today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary Page 342

Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord; I am with you always, to the close of the age.

The bulletin today is given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of:

Janet Edmonds Our beloved niece who died on May 20th, 2017

Forever Remembered, Forever Loved
Joan & Russell Osmond

**7th Sunday of
Easter - May 28th
Observance of the
Ascension of our
Lord**

8:30 am – Holy
Communion(BCP)
Eucharistic
Assistant – Charlie
Gosse

10:30 am –Holy
Eucharist (BAS) &
Sunday
School
Eucharistic
Assistants – Mose
Tucker & Ches
Barfitt
Counters: Don
Morgan & Ruth
Hiscock
Sidesperson: Todd
Martin

**Day of Pentecost –
June 4th**

8:30 am – Holy
Communion(BCP)
Eucharistic
Assistant – Joan
Tucker

10:30 am –Holy
Eucharist (BAS) &
Sunday
School
Eucharistic
Assistants – Dave
Bartlett & Todd
Martin
Counters: Don
Morgan & Ruth
Hiscock
Sidesperson:
Gerald Sharpe

**Pastoral/Spi
ritual Care** is
available to all who
enter an Eastern
Health facility. To
avail of this
ministry of the
church, upon
admission you (or
your next of kin)
will be asked if you
would like to
receive pastoral
care. If you answer
'yes' and state your
denomination, you
will be added to
the list of patients
to be visited by the
chaplain and/or
pastoral visitor. If
you answer 'no',

**your choice will be
respected and you
will not receive a
pastoral visit.
Should you later
change your mind,
please advise the
nurse or the
Pastoral Care office
at 777-6959.
Chaplains are
bound by the
Protection of
Information Act.
Chaplains can only
advise your parish
clergy of your
admission with
your consent.**

**MAINTEN
ANCE FUND:** We
are asking our
parishioners to give
monthly through
the Maintenance
Fund to help us
lower our debt on
the new furnace.
We have borrowed
the amount of
\$50,000.00 from
the Bank of
Montreal. This loan
is out for seven
years. Beginning
Dec. 31st 2016, we
are paying **\$653.93**
per month.

Church Chuckles

The popular
preacher Charles
Spurgeon was
admonishing a class
of divinity students
on the importance
of making their
facial expressions
harmonize with
their speech when
preaching. "When
you speak of
heaven," he said,
"let your face light
up and be
irradiated with a
heavenly gleam.
Let your eyes shine
with reflected
glory. And when
you speak of hell...
well, then your
everyday face will
do."

**Stewardship
thought For the
Week**

Some
people, a little slow
of mind, shout
"Give me what I
deserve!" I don't
want what I
deserve! But, with
great joy, I accept
the grace of God
that gives so much
more.

Neither do
we bring our
offerings this
morning to give to

the business of God
what He deserves.
We can't give that
much! But it is also

with great joy that
we give back a part.