

Sept.20th..

Collect for the Day: (In Unison): Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth, and ourselves in your image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

Prayer over the Gifts: (In Unison): God of power, the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe. Accept our offering this day, and help us to live in peace and harmony with all your creation, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer after Communion: (In Unison): Ruler of the universe, all creation yearns for its fulfillment in your Son. May we who have shared in holy things grow into maturity in him. This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for our parish families (this week we remember) Charles & Canon Shirley Gosse, Beryl (Squires) Grace, Vic & Loretta Greeley, Robert & Lorraine Halfyard and their families.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, The Most Revd Justin Badi Arama – Bishop of Juba and Archbishop of the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Parish of St. Augustine, Stephenville – Rector, Rev. Canon Kris Gosse & the Parish of St. Augustine, St. John's - Rector, Rev. Dr. Rudolph Anthony.

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

Sept. 27th.

Collect for the Day: (In Unison): Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered by your Holy Spirit into one, may show forth your power among all peoples, 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): Eternal God, in Jesus Christ we behold your glory. Receive the offering of your people gathered before you, and open our hearts and mouths to praise your great salvation, the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer after Communion: (In Unison): Father in heaven, strengthen the unity of your Church, so that we who have been fed with holy things may fulfil your will in the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Parish Cycle of Prayer: We pray for our parish families (this week we remember) Warrick & Margaret Hammond, Tony & Melissa Hayward/Hicks, Harvey & Ruth Hiscock, Mabel Hiscock and their families.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan, The Most Revd Ezekiel Kumir Kondo – Archbishop of the Province of Sudan & Bishop of Khartoum.

Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Parish of St. James the Apostle, Port aux Basques – Priest-in-Charge – Rev. Jane Allen & The Parish of St. John the Evangelist, CBS – Rector, Rev. Jolene Peters.

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

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

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Sept. 20th, and Sept. 27th, 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: Greetings friends and parishioners of St. Philip's parish. Finally, after 6 months of being closed we can now say – **St. Philip's is once more open for public worship!** Sunday past, (September 13th) was our first Sunday sitting in the pews in a very long time. Much work had to be done over a two month period, in order for us to meet all the restrictions put in place by both the Chief Medical Officer and our diocese. The first service back went very smoothly, we had 57 people in attendance and everyone did an exceptional job of abiding by all the rules, such as physical distancing, wearing masks, and coming to the altar rail to receive Eucharist (bread only). So, I assure everyone that we are strictly following the guidelines and will do our very best to keep everyone safe. Several people commented after the service that they felt completely safe and at ease during our gathering. What was most glorious of all was being able once more, following a long hiatus, was to be able to come together as a church family in a special and sacred space. As we missed our children, grandchildren and other family members in the first 3 months of the pandemic, so too, we have been missing our church family members for these past 6 months. It has always been a vital part of our life as Anglicans to meet together in worship and fellowship. Though we are meeting together for worship, we still miss the fellowship part of our shared lives, and so we look forward to when we can meet once more over a shared meal in our parish centre. It is slow moving but we are surely getting back on track in our parish. What we fear most, and what causes us all some anxiety, is the real possibility that this virus may flare up again in our province and communities as long as there is not a vaccine. We will continue to be governed by our medical professionals and diocesan personnel, and will always put the safety and health of our parishioners first. Right now we are in a good

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.

Light Up The Lake – Newfoundland - YOU can Shine a Light on Pancreatic Cancer! Currently, 92% of Canadians are not expected to survive their diagnosis. Pancreatic cancer patients deserve better. Help us DEFEAT Pancreatic cancer together by registering TODAY for the VIRTUAL Light Up the Lake event at Runningroom.com. Participate from anywhere! Register now, join us September 26th on the route of your choice! It is time to Light Up the Lake Newfoundland and shine a light on pancreatic cancer! Go to runningroom.com

Thank you to the 14 ladies (and Harvey) who came out on Saturday, September 12th, to do a major cleaning of the church in preparation for the reopening for Sunday worship. They did an excellent job and the building was looking very clean and fresh for our first Sunday inside in more than 6 months.

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

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.**

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.

NOTICES/MEMORABLE DATES

Rev. Randy plans to continue posting a short worship service on Facebook every Sunday. Please share it widely with others once you see it. It will also be on the parish Facebook page.

Thank you to the members of the parish task force that did a tremendous job of preparing for the reopening of our building on September 13th. A lot of work was done to ensure a safe opening with all the necessary items purchased to maintain a clean and safe space to gather once more in worship.

Let's call one another –we are probably home! Many of us are missing those we are so used to seeing on Sunday morning in church. Why not pick up the phone and give them a call, no doubt it will make their day and reassure them that they are not forgotten. This is a real ministry of the church in which we can all engage.

What is the status of parish hall rentals? At this time The Canon EB Cheeseman Parish Centre is not available for any rentals. In September, we will make the hall available to our major renters, The Ballicatters and Eastern Health group, as long as they have documentation from Eastern Health showing their start-up plan. Even this will need diocesan permission.

**THE BULLETIN FOR THE
WEEKS OF
Sept. 6th AND Sept. 13th IS
GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF
GOD AND IN LOVING
MEMORY OF:**

**Canon Bert Cheeseman
July 16, 1927 – Sept. 10, 2016**

Given by

**Dawn, Michele and
Family**

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

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*Open our hearts, O
Lord, to give heed to
what is said by your
Son.*

**Epistle &
Gospel**

**1st Reading
Exodus 16:
2-15**

**Psalm 105:
1-16,37-45
Pages 847-848**

**2nd Reading
Philippians 1:
21-30**

**Gospel:
Matthew 20:
1-16**

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*My sheep hear my
voice, says the Lord; I
know them and they
follow me.*

**Epistle &
Gospel**

**1st Reading
Exodus 17:
1-7**

**Psalm 78:
1-4,12-16
Pages: 806-807**

**2nd Reading
Philippians 2:
1-13**

**Gospel:
Matthew 21:
23-32**

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.

Recently all the exterior lighting of the building was replaced at a cost of nearly \$1400.00 We are grateful that this was paid for by a member of our congregation who wishes to remain anonymous. If you are around the area after dark you will notice a remarkable improvement to the lighting all around the building. The lighting is also energy efficient. Thank you for this gift to the parish, it was well needed and also improves safety for those using the building after dark.

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

Church Chuckle

If you want to know about the troubles the church is having, ask someone who hasn't been there for months.

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Stewardship thought for the Week

God looks at the heart, not the hand – the giver, not the gift.

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.

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