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Anglican Church of St. Philip

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Nov. 20th, 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

In the Book of Common Prayer, this Sunday was known as the Sunday next before Advent.

The collect for that Sunday is one that I like and use on a number of occasions. In the Book of Alternative Services, it comes a few weeks later. This morning, I want us to look at and pray this prayer as we sit in our pews waiting for our service to begin.

“Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (BCP – Page 259).

Tradition has it that this prayer came at a time when mothers were preparing their fruit cakes for the Christmas Season. There were no mixers, so the fruit for the cakes and the preparation was all done by hand. It is a memory, I believe, some of us have of our own mothers doing many times over around this time of the year...stirring up all the ingredients for a nice Christmas cake.

This “Sunday next before Advent” has been known as “Stir Up Sunday” and you can see where they got this name.

I believe it fits into what we now know this Sunday to be, as it is called on the calendar and in the Book of Alternative Services. We refer to this Sunday as “The Reign of Christ the King Sunday”.

We need to stir up our people to recognize more in their lives that Christ reigns; that Christ is the head of the church. We may not recognize it but He has authority over us. He is in charge and His reign will succeed.

It is more and more important for us to recognize that we need to turn to Jesus Christ and claim Him as our Lord and Saviour. Make Him first in our lives, so that we are fully committed to Him in all walks of our lives. Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept Him as your Lord and Saviour? Out of that comes -

do you respect the dignity of every human being?

Here we are on the verge of a New Year in the life of our Church and there is no better way in our lives to begin than by turning over the page and beginning a new chapter. The new chapter should focus on Him who is coming and who will come as Judge and Redeemer of the world.

My prayer for us all is that we may be stirred up enough to become faithful soldiers and servants of our Saviour Jesus Christ. Let the King reign in your lives now and forever. Amen

Rev. Ed

The Scriptural Sentence for our worship today as appointed in our BAS Lectionary. Page 394:

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming.

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

**Mother, Margaret (Mercer) Molloy
Dec. 22, 1905 – Nov. 22, 1997
Never forgotten
by daughter Rose Mercer
and
Howard Tucker
April 18, 1926 – Nov. 4, 2001
Never forgotten.
By friend, Rose Mercer**

**My Nephew, Tyler Spurrell
Dec. 10, 1997 – Nov. 20, 2011
Deeply loved. Remembering you now and forever.
by Fern, Dave & Family**

The Collect, Epistle and Gospel for the Last Sunday after Pentecost

Reign of Christ & Children's Sunday
Scripture Readings for today, Nov. 20th

1st Reading: Jeremiah 23: 1 - 6

Canticle: 19a (Page 88)
(Jeanette Osmond)

2nd Reading: Collosians 1: 11 - 20
(Lloyd Osmond)

Gospel: Luke 23: 33 - 43
(Rev. Ed. Bonnell)

Schedule of Services

Last Sunday after Pentecost Nov. 20th
The Reign of Christ & Children's Sunday

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)
Eucharistic Assistant: Jennifer Tucker
10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS) & Sunday School
Eucharistic Assts: Mose Tucker/Charlie Gosse
Counters: John Parrell & Gloria Earle
Sidesperson: Don Morgan

First Sunday of Advent – Nov. 27th

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: Todd Martin & Linda Roberts
Sidesperson: Karen Puglisevich

Notices

2017 Church Calendars – Now available. Cost \$5.00. Please see Rebecca.

ACM Meeting: Wednesday, Nov. 23rd at 7:30 pm.

ACW Card Game: Monday, Nov. 28th at 8:00 pm. Cost: \$5.00. Lunch served.

Flowers For The Altar – Anyone wishing to place flowers on the Altar for the **Christmas Season** in memory of departed loved ones can now pick up a Sanctuary envelope in the foyer.

There is an after school program taking place in our Parish Centre from Monday to Friday - afternoons. To register your child, please contact the group using this email: ballicatterasp@gmail.com

Tickets – will soon be on sale for the **New Year's Eve Party** here at the Parish Centre. Help us to get the message out and reserve your ticket now. Cost: \$15.00.

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

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.

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.

Stewardship Thought for the Week

Offering time gives us a good chance to look carefully at our personal stewardship. How am I using those resources and opportunities that come into my care? Am I handling them in such a way that God can feel free to entrust more resources and more encounters to me? Or am I careless, thoughtless, selfish, squandering, and unaware?

A part of our expression of stewardship is offered now in the bringing of prepared gifts.

Stewardship Statement

Nov. 13th 2016	
Regular Giving	\$1,165.00
Maint. Fund	\$ 180.00

“Prayerfully consider your parish in your estate planning”. 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.

Church Chuckles

A Touch of Home – Although we were being married in New Hampshire, I wanted to add a touch of my home state, Kansas, to the wedding. My fiancée, explaining this

to a friend, said that we were planning to have wheat rather than rice thrown after the ceremony. Our friend thought for a moment. Then he said solemnly, “It’s a good thing she’s not from Idaho.”

Milestones

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

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.**

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; 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.**

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 form and the chaplain will visit. Please note that due to confidentiality, the chaplains can only contact your parish priest with your permission.

MAINTENANCE FUND: We want to ask 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 give to this fund on a monthly basis.

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Collect for the Day: (In Unison): Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, 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 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, by your grace you have raised us up and enthroned us with Christ in the heavenly realms. Receive all we offer you this day, and lead us in those good works for which you have created us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: (In Unison): 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.

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): **Edith Tucker, Edmund Tucker, Edna Tucker, Florence Tucker, Gerry & Joanne Tucker and their families.**

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for Falkland Islands (Parish of Canterbury, Falkland Islands) The Rt Revd Nigel William Stock.

Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: The Parish of Green Island (2 congregations); Rev. Marlene Harvey, Priest-in-Charge and The Parish of St. Michael & All Angels, St. John's; Rev. Jonathan Rowe, Rector.

Provincial Prayer Care: Diocese of Montreal; Bishop Mary Irwin-Gibson.
ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA
Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador
Bishop: The Right Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Peddle