# St. Peter's Anglican Church

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'You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church.' *Matthew 16-18* 

# Come to Worship – Leave to Serve December 13, 2020 Second Sunday of Advent.

## Thanks to Archdeacon Greg Mercer

We would like to send a big thank you to *Archdeacon Greg Mercer* who is joining **Jerry White** this moring for pre-worship gospel muisc. *Fr. Greg* or *Rev. Greg* as he is better known to most of us, is a former rector here at St. Peter's.

LECTIONARY FOR TODAY, – December 13th, Second Sunday of Advent: ISAIAH 61:1-4, 8-11; PSALM 126 OR CANTICLE 18 (LUKE 1:47-55); 1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-24; JOHN 1:6-8, 19-28

**COLLECT**: God of power and mercy, you call us once again to celebrate the coming of your Son. Remove those things which hinder love of you, that when he comes, he may find us waiting in awe and wonder for him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever..

**PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS:** God of hope, renew in us the joy of your salvation and make us a living sacrifice to you, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.God our strength, we are nothing without you. Receive all we offer you this day as you sustain us with your mercy; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:** Merciful God, may this eucharist free us from our sins, fill us with unending joy, and prepare us for the birthday of our Saviour. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, who is Lord now and for ever.

**Lectionary for Next Sunday, Third Sunday of Advent:** 2 SAMUEL 7:1-11, 16; CANTICLE 18 (LUKE 1:47-55) OR PSALM 89:1-4, 19-26; ROMANS 16:25-27; LUKE 1:26-38

## Advent at St. Peter's

This year we will be utilizing weekly Advent Eucharistic Liturgy developed for Advent by Rev. Canon Boyd Morgan at our 10:30am Sunday services. Advent is a time of expectation as we wait for the coming of the Messiah. Come watch and come and take part. Please register by Noon on Friday.

## Financial Report

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the financial report is not available this week.

#### Please note

December 31st concludes the Church fiscal year. If you wish to donate to St. Peter's and have it show on your 2020 income tax receipt, we will have to receive it no later than December 31st, 2020 and the cheque dated no later than December 31st. Thank you.

## **Church Calendars now Available**

We now have a supply of 2020 Church Calendars with pictures portraying activities in past years. \$10.00 each. Please visit the office to pick up your copy.

#### Hymns for 10:30 Service

Advent Wreath Lighting: Hope is a Star

Opening: (#118) O Come, All Ye Faithful Gradual: (#101) Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Offering: (#397) Praise the One Who Broke the Darkness

Communion: Christ Be Our Light

Closing: (#109) When the King Shall Come Again

## 8:30 am service returning next week.

Beginning next week, December 20<sup>th</sup>, we will be adding the 8:30 am service using the Book of Common prayer. Please do not forget to pre-register at the Church Office by Noon, Friday.

# Wanna buy a Goat-bahahaha?

Wondering what gifts to buy for Christmas? Why not buy a goat for a family in the third world from The Primates World Relief and Development Fund? For \$30 you can buy a goat that will be worth \$210. Each purchase will receive 6 times in funding from the Federal Government. Please let Jack know by **Dec 14** (Tomorrow) so that we can place a group order. Payments can be made through plate offering or the Church Office.

# Blue Christmas service Online

Rev. Bill will be hosting a Facebook live 'Blue Christmas' service on Wednesday, December 16 at 7:00pm. This is a special service for anyone who finds the

Christmas Season to be a challenging time for any reason. Please tune in to St. Peter's Facebook Page and join Rev. Bill for this special service.

Virtual Vigil—This Evening

to remember those who died by SUICIDE

<u>Date:</u> Sunday, December 13th, 2020

Time: 7:00 p.m.

**Livestream joining information** 

https://fb.me/e/1FZLjTVUV

#### **Carol Service and Tree lighting**

St. Peter's will hold its annual Carol Service and Tree Lighting **at 7:00pm, December 20th.** Please remember to pre-register at the church officer if you wish to attend.! Due to COVID, only a limited number permitted to attend.

## Pre-Registration for Christmas Church Services

Registration for Christmas Eve Church Services are now being accepted at the Church Office. There will be 5 services: 11:00 am--Dressing the Crib for Young Families: 2:00pm—Dressing of the Crib & Eucharist for Young Families with music: 5:00pm—Eucharist with B.A.S. (with music): 7:30pm—Eucharist with B.A.S. (with Choir); 10;00pm—Eucharist with B.C.P. *PRE-REGISTRATION IS MADADORY AND WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL DECEMBER 21*<sup>57</sup>.

# **Choir Practice**

Choir practice will take place each Thursday evening at *6:30pm*. under the direction of Choir director, Elizabeth Brumm. Returning and new members welcome.

#### Dear Friends,

I pray you all doing well and staying safe. I was thinking today that our activities at St. Peter's has changed so very much in the past year: we are unable to gather for lunch's, suppers or even a visit to listen to our beloved fellowship band. We cannot even celebrate Christmas with our brethren of the Men's Service Club or ACW—in person. But we are not defeated—and never will be!! With our Church now open, albeit on a limited COVID protocol basis, it is great to be back worshipping together again, and we pray this continues. Many of you have been very generous in your financial offerings to St. Peter's which is why we are surviving and paying all our bills. You are to be commended for all that you do for your Church!! However, due to

our inability to run our usual fall fundraisers this year, we have issued a special appeal letter this past week in an effort to offset our predicted shortfall in finances for this year. I hope you consider supporting this appeal, and moreover, I look forward to the day when we can gather, unrestricted, in our Church and Parish Hall. God Bless you All. *Ray—Treasurer*.

# This week we are praying for:

All Church Leaders, especially +Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; +Linda, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada; +Ronald, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, Sam+, our Diocesan Administrator; Bonnie+, our Deacon, Irving+, our Honourary Assistant, and Bill+, our Rector.

In the Anglican/Lutheran Cycle of Prayer— ACC-The Primate: Archbishop Linda Nicholls and the staff of the Primate's Office of the Anglican Church of Canada. ELCIC-National Bishop: Bishop Susan Johnson and the national staff of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada.

**In the Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**, The Diocese of Central Newfoundland Synod Staff: The Rt. Rev. John Watton, the Venerable Terry Caines, Ms. Ada Fudge, Ms. Lori Whelan & the Rev. Harvey Bullen.

We pray for those who are sick or otherwise in need, especially:: Rodney Andrews, Brian Gosse, Deneal Haines, Glenys O'Brien, Lucy Thistle, Mary Bussey, Payton Best, Robert Moulton, Yvonne Lawlor, Geraldine Piercey, Murdoch Peddle, Sylvia Gillespie-Miller, Norman Tibbo, George Moore, John Butters, Steven & Chris Dawe, Vasili Flogeras, Alan Drover, George Morgan, Joan Petten, Michael Andrews, Harriett Morgan, Nicole Crann, Sharon Crann, Carol Legge, Marina MacDonald and Gerald Ralph.

# This week's bulletin is given to the glory of God in loving memory of:

*Heather Marie Kennedy* (Dec. 6, 1987-- March 15, 1997). From her Dad Don and family.

**Jean Bishop** (remembering her birthday on December 18<sup>th</sup>) and **George Bishop** (remembering his passing on December 16<sup>th</sup>) and Cyril Kennedy (remembering his passing on December 19<sup>th</sup>). From Walter, Sue, and family.

**George Bishop** (remembering the anniversary of his passing on December 16<sup>th</sup>) & **Jean Bishop** (remembering her birthday on December 18<sup>th</sup>). From daughter Susan & family & daughter Glenys.

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