

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 February 14, 2021

Last Sunday after the Epiphany

Message from the Rev. Bill Strong

Dear Parishioners: Here we are again! Locked down to keep Covid 19 away! I join in the frustration of not being able to carry on with our ministry as we would like. We are very saddened not to be able to offer in person worship at this time. In addition, we have been asked not to have singing in any form, take place within our Church walls. This will impact on our online worship, but we will faithfully carry on.

I urge everyone to stay in contact with each other, to look out for your neighbour, to practise safe distancing, to wash your hands regularly, wear a close-fitting triple layer mask in public, to stay at home as much as possible, to watch us online at our Facebook page, and pray constantly. We are especially mindful of our youth, seniors and those who are alone.

Your financial support is also very much appreciated at this time as we are unable to conduct our regular activities. Giving opportunities are listed in this bulletin.

I will be calling our list of parishioners and would be pleased to speak with anyone on any spiritual matter.

I thank God for your support and for the opportunity to serve. Better days ahead!

Rev. Bill+

Worship On-line

Please join us on St. Peter's Facebook page for online worship this Sunday at 10:30am and Ash Wednesday at 7:00pm. Find us at of FB at : St. Peter's Anglican Church.

Bishop:	The Rt. Rev. Samuel V. Rose
Rector:	The Reverend Bill Strong
Parish Deacon:	The Reverend Dr. Bonnie Morgan
Honourary Assistant:	The Reverend Irving Letto
Organist/Choir Director:	Elizabeth Brumm
Parish Wardens:	Ralph Drover and Albert Morgan
Treasurer:	Raymond Gregory
Office Administrator:	Jack Morgan



Last Sunday after the Epiphany

LECTIONARY FOR TODAY, – Last Sunday after the Epiphany: 2 KINGS 2:1-12; PSALM 50:1-6; 2 CORINTHIANS 4:3-6; MARK 9:2-9

COLLECT: Almighty God,
on the holy mount you revealed to chosen witnesses
your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured:
mercifully deliver us from the darkness of this world,
and change us into his likeness from glory to glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

First Reading

A READING FROM THE SECOND BOOK OF KINGS

When the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent." Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; be silent." Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit." He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not." As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

2 KINGS 2:1-12.

PSALM

REFRAIN God reveals himself in glory.

The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken; he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty, God reveals himself in glory. R

Our God will come and will not keep silence; before him there is a consuming flame, and round about him a raging storm.

He calls the heavens and the earth from above to witness the judgement of his people. R

"Gather before me my loyal followers, those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice."

Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause; for God himself is judge. R

PSALM 50:1-6

Second Reading

A READING FROM THE SECOND LETTER OF PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 CORINTHIANS 4:3-6

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MARK

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only

Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

MARK 9:2-9

Prayer over the Gifts

Holy God,
receive all we offer you this day,
and bring us to that radiant glory
which we see in the transfigured face
of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Prayer After Communion

Holy God,
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.
May we who are partakers of his table
reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know
his power to change and save.
We ask this in his name.

Hymns for 10:30am Service

Opening:	(460)	Shine, Jesus Shine
Gradual:	(168)	Transfigured Christ, None Comprehends (tune to 198 of old hymn book)
Offering:		Holy Ground (praise book)
Communion:		Holy is Your Name
Closing:	(602)	Lift High the Cross

Message from St. Peter's Treasurer

To begin, please let me express my sincere thanks to everyone who have been so kind to Beulah and I before, during and after my heart surgery. We are extremely grateful for all the kind acts and prayers from so many people. I am now continuing to recover from home and feeling better each day.

Just as we have begun safe in-person worship and peoples anxieties becoming a little more relaxed, here we are again in the middle of a significant outbreak of COVID-19 within our community. Our Church is now closed to in-person worship as this pandemic rears its ugly head once again. I ask everyone

to make EVERY possible effort to stay safe and follow all the directions of the Chief Medical Officer.

In order to keep your Church operating, we will need to continue to receive your generous financial support. You have answered this challenge in the past and I know you will do the same in the future. As you are aware, all our fundraising activities which generate significant financial support for the Church is now cancelled. However, we will never concede to this virus and we will be here to serve for generations to come.

I would like to remind our parishioners, supporters, and friends of the various methods in which to make your offering: **1.** Drop box inside the main door of the Parish Hall. **2.** By mail via Canada Post. **3.** By email transfer to admin@stpeterscbs.ca **4.** Pre-authorized giving's-automatic deductions from your bank account (please contact the church office for details) **5.** *Canada Helps* – visit our webpage at www.stpeterscbs.ca and locate the 'Donate Now' button on bottom right. **6.** Safe pick up at your place of residence.

Once again, let me thank you all for your faithful service to St. Peter's including your continued financial offerings. I wish God's continued blessing to each one of you and look forward to when we can worship in-person at our beloved St. Peter's together.

Raymond Gregory
Treasurer

“Battle Harbour was in My Blood.”

This book, written by **Bob Hardy** illustrates in story, caption and photo, the life and times of his father, **Mr. Bert Hardy** and his time living, working, and raising his family in Battle Harbour, Labrador. **Mr. Hardy's** work, life and passion for the Big Land is expressed in expert fashion by son **Bob** who endured tireless hours to capture these memories. Copies of **“Battle Harbour was in My Blood”** can be purchased for \$25 each at the Church Office during regular business hours (**due to COVID outbreak, please call the office in advance to make arrangements for safe visit**). A portion of each sale will be donated to St. Peter's. **Mr. Hardy**, who passed away in 2007, was a parishioner and dear friend to all at our Church.

Annual General Meeting/Reports

St. Peter's Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday, March 28th @ 2:00pm. Since the 2020 meeting did not go ahead, the business of both 2019 and 2020 will be dealt with. ALSO, all organizations/groups within the Church are asked to submit reports to be contained in the report by March 15th, 2021. Thank you.

Epiphany



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 Bishop, Bonnie+, our Deacon, Irving+, our Honourary Assistant, and Bill+, our Rector.

In the Anglican/Lutheran Cycle of Prayer— ACC-Our bishop, the Rt. Reverend Samuel V. Rose, the people and clergy of the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador. ELCIC-The dean, council, and congregations of the Central Toronto Area and Greater Toronto Areas East and West of the Eastern Synod.

In the Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, The Parishioners and Clergy of the Parish of Bonne Bay South, the Rev. Dcn. Francis Elgar, Priest-in-charge; and the parish of Botwood, the Rev. Cindy Graham, Rector, the Rev. Donald Butt, Deacon.

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, Owen Murphy, Gerald Ralph, Janet Andrews, Gord Fewer, Marie King and Ray Gregory.



Romans 5:8

But God commendeth
his love toward us, in
that, while we were yet
sinners, Christ
died for us.