

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

March 21, 2021



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

Message from Reverend Bill **Back in Church for online worship only**

Dear Friends: This week we are able to conduct worship at St. Peter's in compliance with directives issued by the Department of Health. It will be good to make these small steps of being together again. However, we are aware that things could revert back to higher levels of lockdown in short order. We are grateful for the leadership that has been

shown to us and pray for the day when vaccines will make a real difference to the fight against the Virus.

Let us strive to stay safe, continue to practise safe distancing, good sanitation and mask wearing as long as we are asked.

We thank God for our safety, for all your support, and for this progress. We will look to continue to offer practical worship opportunities in the days to come.

With every Blessing

Rev. Bill+

Wardens Message

We hope this message finds you in good health and enduring these unsettling days with faith and hope. This historic Covid Pandemic has required us all to make enormous sacrifices to protect the health of our community. It has disrupted our lives in profound and unprecedented ways. We are all experiencing heightened anxiety about our health and safety along with the emotional impact of physical distancing.

In the face of something as sudden and far reaching as the Pandemic, we can sometimes feel powerless. Although we want to support each other, we often do not know where to start. But even the smallest act of care can help others and contribute to renewing our sense of strength as individuals and as a community/ parish. Let us reach out and call, text or e-mail our friends and family and Make a special effort to connect with each other.

We wish to take this opportunity and express a sincere thank- you for your continued financial support, which will help to create financial stability in the future.

In closing, we pray we will be together again in our beloved church and God willing that will come soon.

Blessings,

Ralph Drover

Albert Morgan

St. Peter's Wardens

Hymns for 10:30 Service

Opening: (#444) Your Hand, O God, Has Guided
Gradual: (#273) Sing of Andrew, John's Disciple
Offering: Come Follow Me (Rick & Scott)
Closing: (#173) Creator of the Earth and Skies (tune 103)

Readings

Fifth Sunday in Lent

LECTIONARY FOR TODAY, – Fifth Sunday in Lent

Readings

JEREMIAH 31:31-34; PSALM 51:1-13 OR PSALM 119:9-16; HEBREWS
5:5-10; JOHN 12:20-33

Collect

Most merciful God,
by the death and resurrection
of your Son Jesus Christ,
you created humanity anew.
May the power of his victorious cross
transform those who turn in faith
to him who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

First Reading

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JEREMIAH

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

JEREMIAH 31:31-34

Psalm

PSALM

REFRAIN Create in me a clean heart, O God.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; in your great compassion blot out my offences.

Wash me through and through from my wickedness and cleanse me from my sin. R

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight. R

And so you are justified when you speak and upright in your judgement.

Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, a sinner from my mother's womb. R

For behold, you look for truth deep within me, and will make me understand wisdom secretly.

Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; wash me, and I shall be clean indeed. R

Make me hear of joy and gladness, that the body you have broken may rejoice.

Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquities. R

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence and take not your holy Spirit from me.

Give me the joy of your saving help again and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit. R

PSALM 51:1-13

Or

PSALM

How shall a young man cleanse his way? By keeping to your words.

With my whole heart I seek you; let me not stray from your commandments.

I treasure your promise in my heart, that I may not sin against you.

Blessed are you, O Lord; instruct me in your statutes.

With my lips will I recite all the judgements of your mouth.

I have taken greater delight in the way of your decrees than in all manner of riches.

I will meditate on your commandments and give attention to your ways.

My delight is in your statutes; I will not forget your word.

PSALM 119:9-16

Second Reading

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

HEBREWS 5:5-10

Gospel

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then

Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say - 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

JOHN 12:20-33

Easter Memorials **DEADLINE APPROACHING**

Easter memorials are currently being accepted at the Church office.

Please telephone your request to 744-2648 or email:

admin@stpeterscbs.ca Deadline for memorials is March 31st at 4:00pm.

Donations for memorials may be left in the drop box inside the Parish Hall door, sent via Canada Post or by email transfer to admin@stpeterscbs.ca

Memorials will be sent to all on our email list and posted to our web page.

Paper copies will be available at the office.

Message from St. Peter's Treasurer

Dear Friends of St. Peter's:

As was noted in last week's message, I continue to monitor the finances of our parish going forward.

It is a blessing that you, our parishioners, and friends are continuing to honour your monetary contributions to St. Peter's, even under the lockdown of our Church because of COVID-19.

We, the finance committee, Rev. Letto, Wardens and with the much-needed help of Jack, we have just completed the statements for the year 2020 which will be presented at our scheduled annual meeting. We are pleased to say that with all parish expenses paid, we start the new year with a surplus.

The preparation of this year's budget 2021 is now progressing and should be completed shortly. Because of COVID-19 this was a difficult process; there are so many unknowns, as to Church functions etc. Therefore, we trust and pray that we will continue to support St. Peter's even during these difficult times.

As your treasurer and with the help of others, I will keep our parishioners informed through the bulletin with regard to our finances.

God bless you all.

Raymond Gregory
Treasurer

Bob Hardy's:

"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-POSTPONED

St. Peter's Annual General Meeting originally announced for March 28th has now been **POSTPONED INDEFINATELY** due to the recent outbreak of the variant COVID virus. A new date will be announced later as the alert levels move down. **PLEASE NOTE:** *Church organizations are still asked to submit their annual report by March 15th as there is considerable work required to compile and print it. Thank you for your understanding during this difficult time.*

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-The Rt. Rev. Mary Irwin-Gibson, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Montreal. ELCIC- Deacon Michelle Collins, Assistant to the Bishop and the staff of the Manitoba – Northwestern Ontario Synod.

In the Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, The Parishioners and Clergy of the parish of Churchill Falls; The Ven. Julie Brace, Rector. The Parish of Cow Head; St. Mary the Virgin, Cow Head, St. Paul, St. Paul's, St. Peter, Parsons's Pond, St. Joseph, Portland Creek, The Holy Cross, Daniel's Harbour and St. Aiden, Bellburns, The Rev. Terry Rose, Priest in Charge, Ms. Nora Shears, Catechist.

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, Ray Gregory, Bill Andrews & Nora Rideout.

Today's bulletin is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

Heather Marie Kennedy (remembering the 25th anniversary of her passing on March 12th--age 5 years). From her dad, Don.

Ethel Anthony (remembering her passing on March 21st). From Joyce & family.

Bert & Annie Morgan (remembering Mom's passing on March 20th and Dad's passing on March 21st). From Yvonne, Wayne, Robin, Bill, Jack & families.