

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): Viola Squires, Ena Squires, Thelma Squires-Hicks, Don and Sandy Stevens, Derek and Ellen Stevenson, and their families.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Church of the Province of Uganda – The Most Revd Stanley Ntagali – Archbishop of Uganda and Bishop of Kampala.

Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: We pray for the Parish of St. Anthony – Priest-in-Charge - the Revd Canon Katie Taylor-Flynn; and the Parish of St. Mary, The Virgin , Corner Brook – Priest-in-Charge, the Most Revd Stewart Payne.

Provincial Prayer Care: We pray for the Diocese of Western Newfoundland – Bishop John Organ.

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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: In the past year our diocese has been heavily involved in the area of *Church Mission*. What that means, and, what it will ultimately look like is yet to be revealed, but that is what we are about in the present time. This week there will be a Mission Conference held on Thursday and Friday, and experts in the field of church mission will lead us in presentations, discussions. And perhaps make suggestions as to how our diocese and individual parishes might engage in this exciting but scary work of growing our churches. Make no mistake there will be massive challenges ahead of us, given the present-day position of the Church in society. How do we grow our church? More specifically, how can we grow our church here in St. Philip's? One of the challenges facing all churches today is to stay relevant to the culture we live in. It is accurate to say that many people today have moved away from the church, while at the same time have immersed themselves into other activities that now take up most of their time and energy. No matter what we do, as human beings created in the image of God, there lies within us a thirst for spirituality that can only be fulfilled in relationship with God. I often encounter people that tell me how once they were involved in church activities and Sunday worship, but now can't seem to find the time to get back to it because of their own busy lives and that of their children, and they miss it. St. Paul talks much of the importance of discipline in our lives. Like all of us, Paul was human and vulnerable to failure whenever he took his eyes off Jesus Christ. In order to guard against failure, Paul employed many of the spiritual disciplines. These practices strengthened him in his walk with God and reminded Paul of his dependence on God. He says in Galatians 3:3 - *Are you so foolish?*

After beginning by means of the Spirit, are you now trying to finish by means of the flesh? Paul recognized that some people, who once believed in Christ, have now started to fall away and turn to other things. He reminds them that if they once served Christ why now have they turned away? I believe that the vast majority of people who have gotten away from prayer and worship have a great yearning to return and find spiritual nourishment. They know that the God they loved and once served is still the same God of love that stands ready to welcome them back into that warm embrace. The key to mission is to be able to create the church conditions that will make it easier for people to come through those doors on a Sunday morning. There are many people in our community that once worshipped at this church, or moved here but worshipped somewhere else before, and would be here if we could find the right combination to put them at ease and make them feel welcome. We all know how hard it can be to get back to church when we have been away for a long time. Many people are afraid that others will point them out and make them feel uncomfortable if they return. In this era of mission in our diocese what can we do right here in this parish to do mission? How can we create an atmosphere that makes people feel welcome and comfortable among us? How can we go out into the mission field of St. Philip's and spread the good news of the Gospel? Mission is essential to the ministry we do, without it the future is rather bleak and unknown in the Christian Church.

(Rev. Randy)

A Reminder from Rev. Canon Ed Keeping-Hospital Chaplaincy: If at any time you are hospitalized and desire a visit from one of the Chaplains, upon registration you need to request pastoral care from the Anglican Chaplain. Not everybody is aware that they need to identify this request. If this is not discussed at admission, you may not see a hospital chaplain. Likewise, if you or a loved one are in the hospital and you would like a visit from Rev. Randy, please notify the church office, 895-0715 or 290-1092 so as not to be missed.

Bulletin Commemorations: Weekly bulletins are a lovely way to remember a loved one, or to celebrate a special life event. Bulletin Memorials help cover the cost of the printing of our orders of service and bulletin inserts. (Suggested Donation: \$25). Complete the forms by visiting the church office or calling 895-0715 Please note that more than one memorial or commemorative event can be added for a particular date.

Do you know that our ACM (our men's group) accepts recyclable beverage containers? Every Monday night a group of our men get together in a large trailer to count and sort the containers, juice boxes, liquor and wine bottles, pop cans and bottles, beer bottles, etc. Once they have a large quantity they are loaded aboard and carried to the recycling depot. The monies realized from this project are passed on to help with our parish budget. If you would like to bring along your recyclables to the church we will be most happy to include them for our Monday night counts.

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.

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

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You know the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

15th Sunday after Pentecost – Sept. 22nd

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)

Eucharistic Assistant – Dave Bartlett

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS)

Eucharistic Assistants – Harve Hiscock & Marianne Baker

Counters: John Parrell & Gloria Earle

Sidesperson: Gerald Sharpe

Altar Duty: Jeanette Osmond, Phoebe Parrell & Joan Osmond.

16th Sunday after Pentecost – Sept. 29th

8:30 am – Holy Communion (BCP)

Eucharistic Assistant – Todd Martin

10:30 am – Holy Eucharist (BAS)

Eucharistic Assistants – Carol Bartlett & Lori Gosse

Counters: John Parrell & Gloria Earle

Sidesperson: John Parrell

Altar Duty: Ethel Barfitt & Margie Tucker.

The Collect, Epistle and Gospel for Today – 15th Sunday After Pentecost September 22nd

**1st Reading:
Jeremiah 8:18- 9:1
Psalm: 79 v. 1-9
pp. 811-812
(Gloria Earle)**

**2nd Reading
1st Timothy 2: 1-7
(Dave Earle)**

**Gospel
Luke 16: 1-13
(Deacon Bonnell)**

The next ACW Card game will be held on Tuesday, September 24th. Cost is \$5.00 and lunch will be served.

Special Session of Synod Theme: "...and the Greatest of these is Love..." (1 Corinthians 13:13, NRSV) Saturday **September 28** at 9:00 am Watch Online: <https://live.webcastcanada.ca/go/diocese>

SING TOGETHER! HYMN FESTIVAL

Join us on Sunday, **October 6** at 3 pm for an hour of singing and hearing stories of hymns that explore and enliven the Christian faith. We will sing some favourite hymns and songs, as well as a few that may be new to you, selected from a wide range of traditions. T. Wes Moore of Pollockville Presbyterian Church (North Carolina, USA) will lead this hour of song and story. For more information about *Sing Together!* events (workshops and church service), see [http://www.singingnetwork.ca/sing-together/St. Thomas' Anglican Church, 8 Military Road, St. John's. October 6 at 3 pm. Free. All are welcome.](http://www.singingnetwork.ca/sing-together/St.Thomas'AnglicanChurch,8MilitaryRoad,St.John's.October6at3pm.Free.Allarewelcome.)

The next available dates for Baptism are as follows: **October 6th** and **20th**, and **November 10th**. If anyone wishes to have their child baptized on any of these dates please speak to Rev. Randy. Baptism preparation always takes place on the Friday evening prior to the service.

Tickets for the upcoming Jigg's Dinner & Dance will be available very soon. The dinner will be held on Saturday, **October 19th** at 6:30 pm. Cost will \$20.00.

Noah's Ark Word Search

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- animals
- build
- covenant
- criticize
- dove
- evil
- flood
- good
- land
- obedient
- promise
- rainbow
- raven
- saved
- supplies
- two



Notices

Caper in the Crypt - Come, bring your friends to the Caper in the Crypt – an EscapeQuest event being held in the Crypt of the Anglican Cathedral (16 Church Hill, St. John's). Book your spot today and don't miss this amazing one-of-a-kind adventure DEEP within the Cathedral. The Caper in the Crypt will take place from **September 30th to October 4th (5:30pm – 10:30pm each weekday) and Saturday, October 5th (2:30pm – 10:30pm)**. Call 726-5677 to book your space before they are all gone. Cost is \$25/person (+ tax) and funds raised will support the Cathedral's community outreach and programming.

The Blessing of the Animals

Every year animals of all kinds flock to the Anglican Cathedral to be blessed! In this service we acknowledge the importance of animals in our lives as companions and workers, as well as a source of joy and wonder in God's creation. All are welcome to join us in this joyful time of blessing, bringing your animals properly restrained or contained. **1 p.m. Saturday, 5 October at the Cathedral.**

The Gospel Folk Seniors Choir is pleased to present "Gospel on Avalon" at the Holy Heart Theatre on Sunday, Nov. 17th at 2:30 PM. We are delighted to have the combined voices of The Gospel Folk Seniors Choir, the Scholar Musicians, Celeste, and the Coastal Sounds to form a 150 voice choir....GOSPEL ON AVALON. Also joining us are many individual well known artists such as Darrin Martin, Janet Cull, Craig Sharpe, Sonya Gosse, Andrew Cranston, Amy Dalzeil, and Brian Way. Also featured will be the music of the Temple Brass and the Atlantic String Quartet!!! Tickets for the event are \$27.00 and are on sale at the Holy Heart of Mary box office. (Phone No. 579-4424).

Rev. Randy will be supervising a Catechist for the months of October and November. Bishop Peddle asked if the parish might consider having this young person come to our parish, for some foundational training and experience as part of his discernment process for theological education and possible future ordination. This young man, Benjamin Percey, is 22 years of age, from the parish of South River, and, recently completed his B.A. degree at MUN. Rev. Randy will forward a report to the bishop following the two month experience, and, the bishop will rely heavily on the report in determining Benjamin's call to ordained ministry.

Rev. Randy has found suitable accommodations for our Catechist, Benjamin Percey. Thank you to Viola Squires for her help in finding the apartment

Memorial Hymn-sing will be held on Sunday, November 24th at the 10:30 am service. Once we have determined the hymn selections with our musicians we will make available the forms for the congregation. It is good to take the time to be reminded of, and to celebrate the lives of those gone before us. It is an opportunity to thank God for their lives, for their faith, and their contribution to the long history of our parish.

Confirmation classes have started again. At this point we have 7 preparing for Confirmation. This week will be the last opportunity for anyone not yet registered to speak to Rev. Randy.

Thank you to Robert & Catherine Parsons for their very generous donation of \$2000.00 to our Perpetual Cemetery Upkeep fund. This contribution was given in loving memory of parents, Chesley & Doreen Parsons, deceased faithful members of this parish.

Altar Servers are needed. What a privilege it is to be able to serve in the Sanctuary of the church, it is an awesome and rewarding experience. If any of our young people would like to share in that experience please speak to Rev. Randy. A special invitation is issued to any of the young people confirmed last year, or any being confirmed this year.

St. Philip's church is equipped with a Hearing Assistance system. If you experience difficulty hearing the service on Sunday morning please ask for a receiver and ear piece. You just turn on the receiver, adjust the volume and it should greatly improve your hearing.

We hope to begin soon a new youth focused group. Lisa Lake, our long-time Sunday School Superintendant, has a keen interest in working with our post-Confirmation young people. We are in the process of working these things out, so all is preliminary right now. When the time is right we will focus on inviting our young people to get involved. As well, if anyone else has an interest in youth ministry please let Lisa know, she will be glad to welcome you on board with her.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS (OA) Are you struggling with unhealthy eating behaviours? Give us a call. We are a support group whose program is based on physical, emotional and spiritual healing. We are a twelve-step program for people facing serious eating problems. Call 709-738-1742, email info.oa.nl@gmail.com or visit our website: oanl.org.

Church Chuckle

Puzzling Problem: "When I look at this congregation," said the preacher, "I ask myself where are the poor?" and when I look at the collection, I say to myself - "Where are the rich?"



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Prayerfully consider your Parish in your estate planning

Stewardship thought For the Week

Wealth shines in giving rather than in hoarding: For the miser is hateful, whereas the generous man is applauded!

Yearly Budget for Envelope Giving for 2019 - \$97,000.00	
Needed Monthly - \$ 8,741.67	
Needed Weekly - \$ 2,108.00	
Rec'd Sept 15th	
Regular Giving	\$ 1185.00
Maintenance	\$ 20.00
Rec'd Year to Date	
Regular Giving	\$ 58,408.05
Maintenance	\$ 8,527.10
Total Brought in for Sept. 15th	\$ 5,533.00