

Mission Statement

Guided by Holy Scripture and the Holy Spirit, we the congregation of Holy Trinity pledge our lives to Christ. Through worship, love, and service to one another, we will bring witness and encouragement to the community.

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The bulletin is given to the glory of God and in memory of **Deceased Members of the Order of St. Luke** by the Holy Trinity OSL Chapter Members.

SERVICE TIMES FOR November 20 - November 27		
<i>Today, November 20</i> <i>Reign of Christ</i>	Holy Communion (BCP)	8:30 a.m.
	Baptism/Holy Eucharist (BAS)	10:30 a.m.
	Memorial Hymn Sing	7:00 p.m.
<i>Thursday, November 24</i>	Holy Communion (BCP)	9:30 a.m.
<i>Sunday, November 27</i> <i>Advent 1</i>	Holy Communion (BCP)	8:30 a.m.
	Morning Prayer	10:30 a.m.

Readings: **Jeremiah 23:1-6** **Colossians 1:11-20** **Luke 23:33-43**
Readers: Bob Hiscock Tom Granter Patricia Hammond

Welcome. Welcome to anyone who is visiting with us this morning. If this is your first time at Holy Trinity, please introduce yourself to our Greeters and Clergy. We do ask that you sign our guest book in the foyer.

Baptism Today. We welcome into the Church by way of baptism, *Christian Will Samuel Lane*, infant son of Tiffany Hanhams and Christopher Lane. We also receive into the church today Christian's big sister *Brooklyn*.

Annual Memorial Hymn Sing Tonight at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join with us to sing to the glory of God and to remember loved ones who touched our lives. The choir and Singing Sidesmen will lead us in music and song.

ACW Meeting & Hall Decorating, Wednesday, November 23 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be a short one followed by the decorating of the hall for Christmas and the Fall Sale. If you can help, please come to the Hall at that time. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

ACW Fall Sale. The sale will be held this *Saturday, November 26*. Doors open at 9:30 a.m. and the sale starts at 10 a.m. Admission is \$3. Please support the sale by purchasing items. Donations of goods will be accepted on Friday night.

Thank You, Tracey. This year Tracey Hulan has taken a break from teaching Sunday School. We want to thank Tracey for her work over the years with our Sunday School. She has been a tremendous help and resource.

Keep Christ In Christmas March. The March, hosted by the Knights of Columbus and supported by the local Ministerial Association and the town of Grand Falls-Windsor, will take place next *Sunday, November 27 at 2:30 p.m.* The parade will begin at the fire hall, proceed to Pinsent Drive, then on to Cromer Avenue, and return to the fire hall. Upon the return to the hall, a carol sing-a-long will take place followed by refreshments. All those participating in the March are asked to bring along a non-perishable food item for the Food Bank.

Are You or Your Family Interested in Making an Advent Calendar? The Faith Community Holistic Team and the Ladies Craft Group will show you how next *Sunday, November 27, at 2 p.m.* in the E. M. Bishop Hall. If you are interested in making your Advent Calendar, please sign up on one of the clip boards located at both entrances. It is important for you to sign up, as supplies for the calendar have to be made available. Come and have fun and fellowship as you make your calendar.

Light-Up of Community Christmas Lights. The light-up of the Christmas tree will take place at 6:30 p.m. on *Thursday, December 1* at the Fire Hall. All are welcome to attend as we begin the countdown to Christmas in our town.

Annual Light-Up Contest. Judging for the Annual Light-Up Contest will take place from *December 12 - 16, 2016*. Be sure to have your lights turned on at that time.

Pot Luck Supper. The ACW will be having a potluck supper on November 30. All ACW ladies are invited. Please bring along something for the supper. In addition, the Grand Falls-Windsor Refugee Outreach Committee and the refugee family--Emin, Ruyveda, Meryem and Fehed Ebulhayr have been invited. At that time, the ACW will present the family with a special gift. The committee, chaired by Rev. Randy, thanks the ACW for their kind invitation.

Rector's Christmas Discretionary Fund. The fund is a special fund that many contribute to at Christmastime. The monies allow the Rector to help families and individuals who may find it financially difficult during the Christmas season. If you would like to contribute to this cause over the holidays, your help would be greatly appreciated. Please use a plain envelope, mark it *Rector's Christmas Discretionary Fund*, and put it in the Offering Plate.

Cancer Survivor Choir. The Choir will be presenting: *Our Christmas Gift to You* at the Salvation Army Citadel, 31 Circular Road next *Sunday, November 27 at 6:30 p.m.* Please come along and enjoy this service of song and readings. For further information, please contact Jackie Thompson (486-2973). Hope to see you there.

Lighting the Advent Candle. If you or your family is interested in participating in the Advent Candle Lighting liturgy, please speak to Rev. Randy. We need volunteers for the four weeks of Advent and the lighting of the Christ Candle on Christmas Eve.

Church Calendars. The calendars are now available. If you would like one, please contact Karen Brown (489-6490). The cost is \$5 each.

Benefit Concert for the GFW-Bishops Fall's Community Food Bank. The concert will be held at the Gordon Pinsent Centre for the Arts on *November 28 at 8 p.m.* It will be a great show with some of our best entertainers lined up to give you a terrific night of entertainment: Allison O'Keefe, Charlotte Murphy, ABC Trio, Sean Tulk, Mick Carey, Gerry Smith and many more! Tickets are just \$20 each. Tickets are on sale at the centre box office (292-4518) and online www.artsandculturecentre.com.

Deanery Treasurers' Workshop. There will be a workshop here at Holy Trinity on *Thursday, December 1 at 7 p.m.* This will be facilitated by our Synod Office staff, Lori Wheaton, and Rev. Terry Caines. All treasurers are asked to be in attendance, including treasurers of various church organizations. This is for all treasurers in the parishes of Grand Falls, Windsor-Bishop's Falls, Buchans, Botwood and Lewisporte.

Christmas Program. The Sunday School Christmas program will be held on Sunday, *December 4 at 10:30 a.m.* There will be a few practices over the next couple of weeks. A full rehearsal will be on December 3.

Dr. Wendy Wilmore's Visit. Dr. Wendy will visit us on *December 11*. Dr. Wendy is presently taking a little break from her missionary work in Arusha, Tanzania. She is currently in Canada. She will be spending a couple of weeks in Newfoundland filling in at a couple of hospitals. We look forward to hearing more about her great work in Africa as a missionary doctor and surgeon, as well as her work training other surgeons.

Christmas Tree of Memories. The tree will be lit on *Thursday, December 15 at 7 p.m.* The forms are available for the Tree of Memories. We will gather at the main entrance, read the names of those in whose memory the tree will be lit, prayers will be said, and then the tree will be lit for Christmas. Refreshments and Christmas music will follow in the hall.

Flowers for Christmas. Anyone wishing to place flowers in the church for Christmas in memory of loved ones may place a donation envelope in the Offertory Plate. Please mark the envelope: **Christmas Flowers**. All names must be received by **December 18** to be included in the Christmas Bulletin.

Greeters: Fred & Linda Pafford, Hubert Griffin, Margaret Pomeroy, Heather Howse

Items for the Messenger. Please have your submissions to Linda by **Thursday**. You may contact her at 489-9801 or e-mail linda.pafford@nl.rogers.com.

First Thing in the Morning

"Morning by morning he wakens me and opens my understanding to his will." Isaiah 50:4 NLT

Here's a wonderful promise from God's Word: *The...Lord has given me his words of wisdom...that I know how to comfort the weary. Morning by morning he wakens me and opens my understanding to his will. The...Lord has spoken to me, and I...listened. I have not rebelled or turned away"* (vv. 4-5 NLT).

Isaiah said God woke him up every morning and told him what he was supposed to do that day and what he was to say to others. This wasn't a one-of-a-kind occurrence; it happened "morning by morning." Can you imagine how differently your day would go if you took the time to hear from God before you got out of bed? Notice the word "understanding." God can give you understanding about what you should say and do before you get into a given situation.

He said, *"I am the Lord...who teaches you what is best for you, who directs you in the way you should go"* (Isaiah 48:17 NIV). Talk about having a plus in life and an edge on the competition! And here's the best part: even if you're not listening or you're not in the right place spiritually or you don't have much experience in this realm, God will work with you "morning by morning" until you learn to recognize and respond to His voice.

Are you surprised? You shouldn't be! After all, that's what good parents do with their children when they want them to grow up, mature, and enjoy life's best.

Word4U2day

**Jesus bids us shine
With a pure, clear light,
Like a little candle
Burning in the night.
In this world of darkness
So let us shine
You in your small corner,
And I in mine.**

**Jesus bids us shine,
First of all for Him;
Well He sees and knows it,
If our light grows dim.
He looks down from Heaven
To see us shine
You in your small corner,
And I in mine.**

**Jesus bids us shine,
Then, for all around;
Many kinds of darkness
In the world are found
Sin and want and sorrow;
So we must shine
You in your small corner,
And I in mine.**