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**ST. LUKE’S ANGLICAN CHURCH** 

***Christmas Day Service with Holy Communion***

***“The Book of Common Prayer***

**December 25, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.**

**The Rev. Robert Montgomery**

**Priest–in-Charge**

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**Mrs. Caroline Britten Mrs. Susan Sleep Organist and Choir Director Sunday School Director**

**118 CP *“O Come All Ye Faithful”***

**Readings: Isaiah 9: 2 - 7 Psalm 96**

**Titus 2: 11-14 Luke 2: 1-14, (15-20)**

***Sermon***

**138 CP *“Hark the Herald Angels Sing”***

**Communion**

***154 CP*** ***“Joy to The World”***

***Lighting of Advent Wreath: The Last Candle - The Birth of Christ***

Christmas Season

Celebrant: “Today we light all the candles of the Advent wreath. Each candle has a meaning. The first candle is HOPE, the second candle is PEACE, the third candle is JOY, and the fourth candle is LOVE. The center candle is the Christ candle.” The candles are lit.

Scripture: “Isaiah 9:6 – For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.”

**Prayer: “O God of hope, peace, joy, and love. As Mary and Joseph welcomed you into the world, now help us welcome you into our lives. Give us courage to hope; strength to seek peace. Fill our spirits with joy; and our hearts with love. Through Jesus Christ, the Lord of** all. Amen.”

***O Come O Come Christ Jesus Our Lord/ the Son of Man and,***

***God’s incarnate Word***

***In You, our Hope, our Peace, Joy, Love/ we share on earth the***

***life of heav’n above.***

***Rejoice! Rejoice! / Emmanuel***

***Shall come to thee /O Israel***

**Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love**



***Our pastor, Rev. Rob Montgomery and his family wish you a very Merry Christmas and a joyful holiday season. May the good news of Jesus Christ, who is and remains God-with-us, fill us with hope, peace, joy, and love throughout the coming year. Amen.***

**Merry Christmas**

**One and All!**

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**St. Luke’s News**

**INTERCESSIONS:**

* **Anglican Communion**: **The Episcopal Church in the Philippines, the Most Rev Brent Alawas, Prime Bishop.** **Archbishop Linda Nicholls, Anglican Church of Canada. National Indigenous Archbishop Chris Harper and The Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples.**
* **Missions:** The Rev. Canon Paul Jeffries**, Bishop McAllister College,** in Uganda, fellow missionaries, teachers, volunteers. **The Diocese of Ho,** Bishop Matthias Meduadues-Badohui, Ghana, West Africa the **Companion Diocese of the Diocese of Fredericton**
* **Fredericton, Archbishop David,** retired bishop William and his family, the Miller, and the Lemmon family. **Camp Medley and Camp Brookwood**, **staff, and campers.** **Threshold Ministries, The Anglican Diocese of Yukon:** our retired clergy, and our fellow Anglicans; **Bathurst,** the Rev. Christopher Tapera; **Hampton,** the Rev. David Turner; **Gondola Point,** the Rev. Rob Montgomery, and his family and the Rev. Canon Cathy Laskey – Hospital Chaplain and honorary assistant and her family.
* **Gondola Point:** Christmas Family Support **Parish****family:** Wade and Kim Beaman and their family **Parish Ministry**: standing committee and stewardship.
* **Community Needs:** those without work, food, or shelter, and those who serve and care for them. Pray also for those who are travelling.
* **Shut-Ins.**
* **Sick**:, Barb, Bev, Catharine, Danielle, Diane, Donna, Katie, Laverne, Shawn, Wanda., Winnie C., James F, Travis B., Jack D., Natalie D., Isaac D., John E., Lisa G., Diane M., Kathy M., Malcolm M., David S., Keaton S., Donna T., and any others we have been asked to include in our prays….
* **Thanksgiving**: Family, Friends, and Community.

**Parish Mission Outreach: Parish Mission Outreach: For the next Sundays, we are collecting boxes of “Cheerios” Cereal for an Elementary School Breakfast Program. Non-name brands are acceptable if there are no nuts (peanuts, peanut oil) in the ingredients or facilities in which they are made. Again, we will collect them at the church and then deliver them to the school.**

**As the temperature starts to drop, the need for warm dry socks has come up. The need for the socks has started the collection of new warm socks of all sizes to be collected at the church and distributed to the many centers that need them.**

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**The Parish of Riverview Altar Guild is looking for children’s choir gowns and cruets, for purchase or donation. If you can help, contact the Rev. Julian Pillay >**[**shepherdsheartsa@gmail.com**](mailto:shepherdsheartsa@gmail.com)

[**Clergy Conference**](http://url182.diofton.ca/ls/click?upn=T0nMq0-2FHT37yIaWyZLea9ePKrSQ9auC708pLI-2F0RU9mPpUxhR6jdzAN1zuXYvpi2UMrR5GI-2F5bYWZ7dPwdnM0-2Bn-2Bye1sk0pxIamOlb4Fnfc-3DlXpD_e1JwKTxzvWzo4BgabTf8SRMRk4b2oOhq7dmsm2tUBMkUY2jyI9pVKnjbD7-2BzdVi8G55loo-2FXlXF23Cm80pStvN7qfVGkE-2FmL-2FJ-2Bj48o81PVGrZjs23X-2B5F0NmKB3FXbhmlsNy2ZBtX3cdNRRgWoXPz7C1FJq-2BYLk4A2J8LqZ9PE13qd0EbZiHjN3vukawG7XTZp-2BprqpIOpGXwluHixNjlXBmUatRMvsaacyJOr036aCED07xR5pRhhc9bDFXRNLct5rg-2BQlaaQbwT0S5-2Bd-2BgbyMZCupo7hfpkS8ylE4L-2BvntPJlgzOj8TvURbtNskNN)

**Happenings at Holy Trinity:**

**SENIORS DROP- IN at Holy Trinity (Trinity Corner Café) - 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month from 1 pm to 3 pm.**Coffee & Chats. A great opportunity to meet over coffee and snacks for card games, puzzles, explore the library or just sit and chat!

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**St. Luke’s A.C.W meet every Monday at 10:00 am all are welcome.**

**The Rev. Montgomery’s Online Bible Study on Tuesday at 3:00 p.m. will be suspended until the new year.**

**St. Luke’s Book Club the last Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. at St. Luke’s Parish Hall. Please contact Heather Hynds for the list of books.**

**The Rev. Rob Montgomery**’s **Midweek Contemplative** **Services from 6:30PM - 7PM St. Luke’s Anglican Church will be suspended until the new year.**

**Mission Visionary Group – Meet monthly for guidance and direction of out missionary outreach of the** **Parish. Further details please contact the Rev. Rob Montgomery.**

**Quarters for A Kilometer: We will be collecting quarters ($0.25) for the distance of a kilometer for the Church Restoration Fund. There will be a container on the back table for the quarters. Work on our Building Restoration Project is complete. St. Luke’s is in the process of raising funds for re- investments funds used for the Restoration repairs of St. Luke’s Anglican Church. White envelopes for this are on the entry table. If you have any questions, please speak with Rev. Rob Montgomery, Rosemarie Kingston, or Terry Sleep.**

**Safe Church Trainer and Renewals: Please note a new online safe church training platform has been developed to allow the Diocese to better track who has taken the training, as well as working to make the training more relevant, accessible, and simple to complete. The new training should take 30-45 minutes and the Diocese would appreciate all feedback that you can provide on the entire process to ensure this is the ideal system to roll out to the diocese. Please contact Donna Dobbin for your training, thank you.**

**We are collecting refundable items from the parish for the Restoration Fund for the Church. If you have any you would like picked up, you may call Terry and Susan Sleep on 847-7609, or Darryl.**

**On this website is also *St. Luke's Blog*, posting of our Orders of Service and Sermons for Sundays, as well as other resources for us from time to time. Feel free to explore and spread the news if you can.**

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Description automatically generatedWe must continue to meet our monthly expenses while we are unable to come to our church to meet at times for worship and fellowship. Since all worship services, meetings, and events at our** **church are on hold at times, our bulletin has changed. As the situation changes, activities will begin to be re-scheduled. Please contact Terry Sleep at 847-7609. He is our Parish E-offering Representative or by mail to St. Luke’s Anglican Church, 12 Quispamsis Road, Quispamsis, New Brunswick, E2E 1M2 or e-transfer. Please contact Terry Sleep at 847-7609 for further information or instructions, thank you.**

Many of you received the *e-news* from Gisele McKnight, Diocesan Communications Officer. It contains messages from the archbishop concerning the coronavirus and the resulting procedural changes and cancellations that have been put in place. Bishop David’s message contains links to his earlier messages on the coronavirus, as well as to prayers, on-line worship services and the Book of

Common Prayer. If you did not receive *e-news*, it may be found at <https://nb.anglican.ca/newsletters/102/display>  A call to prayer has been issued and details may be found in *e-news*. As well, you can keep up with Diocesan events at <https://nb.anglican.ca/>

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