

**8:00 a.m. – BCP Holy Communion** (*Psalm 84 p. 437 BCP*)

**Lay Minister:** Diane Yetman

**Collect of the Day** (*in unison*): Blessed are you, O Lord our God, for you have sent us your salvation. Inspire us by your Holy Spirit to recognize him who is the glory of Israel and the light for all nations, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**10:00 a.m. – BAS Holy Eucharist**      **Lay Minister:** Gordon West

**Introit (screen) – The Lord is in His Holy Temple**

**Processional Hymn 328 (CP) – Lo, God is Here**

Gathering of the Community *p. 185*

Gloria

Collect of the Day (*printed*)

**The Proclamation of the Word:**

Malachi 3: 1-4 (Sarah Lennerton)

Psalm 84 *p. 817 BAS*

Hebrews 2: 14-18 (Jason Reynolds)

**Gradual Hymn (screen) – Holy One, Now Let Your Servants Go in Peace**

**Gospel:** Luke 2: 22-40 (Gordon West)

Homily

Nicene Creed *p. 188*

The Prayers of the People

Confession & Absolution *p. 191*

The Peace *p. 192*

**Offering Hymn (screen) – Refiner's Fire**

**Prayer over the Gifts:** Almighty God, accept the joyful offering of your Church, and grant that your Son may shine in us as the light that lightens every nation. We ask this in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Celebration of the Eucharist #5 *p. 204*

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread #1 *p. 212*

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: grant us peace**

**Communion Hymn** (*Congregation receives first, followed by the choir*)

**(screen) – Bread of Life, Feed My Soul**

**Ablutions 541 (CP) – As Longs the Hart for Flowing Streams**

Prayer after Communion *p. 402*

Doxology *p. 214*

**Children's Hymn (screen) – Many are the Lightbeams**

Blessing

**Recessional Hymn 330 (CP) – O Praise Ye the Lord**

Dismissal *p. 215*

**(screen) – May the Lord**

<p><b>Altar Flowers</b> are placed to the glory of God and in loving memory of George Williams from his family.</p>
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**Greeters:** Harold Wilson, Ina Major, Mike Stokoe, Murray MacCormick, Bill & Judy Wesley

**Chancel Guild:** Sylvia Jeffery, Lynn Rawlinson, Debbie McNutt, Carol Adams

**Provincial Prayer:** Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land (Archbishop Gregory Kerr-Wilson and the Provincial Council). Give thanks for the ministry of retired Clergy that lends support to parish ministry, work of lay readers, congregational executives-treasurers/vestry members/altar guild/Sunday school volunteers and teachers, newly ordained clergy and ACW work (CNL); Postulants for ordination (CNL/FRED); Ministry of retired clergy and lay readers (FRED); New members of Parish Corporations, the many committee members serving on diocesan committees, and parish annual general vestry meetings (MON); 'MORE' Mission Schools in Northumbria and South Shore Regions and opportunities to grown in faith in the season of Lent (NSPEI). Pray for Food Banks and their many volunteers, preparing ourselves for the Lenten Season, the greater mission of the church and the work towards sustainable ministry, and clergy retreat (CNL); Parish vestries as they make important decisions (MON).

**Diocesan Prayer:** St. Peter's Cathedral, Charlottetown, PEI and Holy Trinity, Georgetown, PEI (The Rev'd David Garrett, The Rev'd Ralph Moore and Bonnie) and St. Mary and St. John, PEI (The Rev'd Colin Nicolle and Shannon).

**Praying for our Parish Families:** We pray for Lorraine Davy, Jim & Laurel MacIntosh, Corina Frank and David & Colleen Power.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Tue., Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>** – Spiritual Development 7:00 p.m.

**Wed., Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>** - Holy Eucharist 12:00 noon  
Evening Branch ACW 1:00 p.m.  
Choir 6:30 p.m.

**Thu., Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>** – Pastoral Ministry 1:00 p.m.

**Fri., Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>** – Meditation 11:00 a.m.  
Lectionary Lunch 12:00 noon

### **Next Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup>: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (BAS)

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

11:15 a.m. Coffee Hour

We are pleased to announce that AST student **Jane Magrath** will be joining us on Sundays for a field placement in her second year of training for her M.Div. degree and eventual ordination. Please welcome Jane and her wife Wendy into our midst.

Our annual meeting takes place on **Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup>**. We will have **one service of worship that morning at 9:00 a.m.** followed by a finger food and sandwich potluck and the meeting.

**Bookworms & Church Mice** meets next on **Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>** following the 10:00 a.m. worship. The book for discussion will be [You Will Not Always Be This Sad](#) by Sheree Fitch. All are welcome to join us.

A reminder that Parish Council decided at its November meeting to scale back our **coffee hour** to cookies and hot drinks/juice only. This is an attempt to simplify the preparation and clean up and thereby encourage more of our members to volunteer for coffee duty.

**2020 offering envelopes** are available. Please see Warren Tay for yours.

**200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Jigsaw Puzzles:** The cost is \$22 for 500 pieces, \$25 for 1000 pieces or two for \$45. Get yours by speaking to anyone on the 2020 Committee: Adele Stokoe, Judy MacKenzie, Bev DeVouge, or Dorothy Tay. Our commemorative **pewter ornaments** to recognize and celebrate the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Parish of St. John's have also arrived! You'll be amazed to learn the price for each of these treasures is only \$15 and there's no limit to the number you can purchase. A lovely memento of 200 years of Anglican presence in Truro!

On January 8<sup>th</sup>, **Archbishop Ron Cutler** tendered his **resignation** as Bishop of Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island and as Metropolitan of the Province of Canada effective July 31<sup>st</sup>. Archbishop Ron has set into motion the canonical process to elect his successor by May/June of 2020. The Diocesan Council will set the date for an electoral synod at its February 7-8 meeting. The full text of Archbishop Ron's resignation letter is available at the back of the church today or on the Diocesan website.

On **Sunday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>** we will have as **guest speakers** at both services **Brenda Leenders and Ian MacHattie**, representing the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. They will speak about an exciting local project called **Grow Hope Truro**. Sponsored by your Pastoral Ministry Committee.

**Ash Wednesday** is quickly approaching on **February 26<sup>th</sup>**. Observances on that day to help you begin a Holy Lent:

8:30 a.m. "Ashes to Go" on Inglis Place.

11:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Distribution of Ashes.

7:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist and Distribution of Ashes (with music).

**Coats/Jackets/Snow Pants:** Truro Elementary School is looking for donations of winter outerwear in sizes 5T-12/14. If your children or grandchildren have outgrown some, you can drop them off at the church hall and members of the pastoral ministry committee will take them to the school. We'll also accept monetary donations toward the purchase of this winter clothing. Another great option is to shop at our second hand clothing stores and donate.

Our **mitten tree** is now up for another year! Please help us by knitting and/or donating mittens for distribution to our local schools.

The 2020 Organizing Team is looking for someone to take on a **short term project**. There are several events planned for 2020 to recognize and celebrate the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Anglican presence in Truro and an entry in the **Santa Claus Parade** is one of them. The 2020 Team is convinced that a float in the Parade would be the perfect finale for the year. If this idea is intriguing to you and you want more information, please speak with one of the members of the Team - Judy MacKenzie, Dorothy Tay, Bev DeVouge or Adele Stokoe.

Truro is recognizing **Inter-Faith Harmony Week** from February 2-9. Highlights will be an **Interfaith Expo** at Douglas Street School **TODAY** from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Representatives of various world religions will be on hand to speak about their faith and answer questions. During the week, faith groups will open their sacred spaces to the public during worship and prayer – list at the back of the church. The week will finish with an **Interfaith Service** at First United at 3:00 p.m. on **February 9<sup>th</sup>**.

**Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**, 2020 is the **Coldest Night of the Year** walk in support of Hub House, our local homeless shelter. Again this year, St. John's will field a team of walkers. If you would like to walk with us or to donate, speak to Rev. Lori

Archway Counselling Association's **Banquet and Silent Auction** with music by The Spinney Brothers will be held **Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup>**. Doors open at 5:45 p.m., dinner at 6:25 p.m. at the Best Western Glengarry. \$45/person or a table of 8 for \$340 on sale at the Archway office, 883 Prince St. 902-893-3991.

Music Under the Steeple proudly represent our 16<sup>th</sup> Annual **Choirs for Comfort concert on Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m.** Choirs include Cantabile Boys' Choir, Cantabile Impact!, Cantabile Singers, Cantabile Truro Youth Singers, Combined choirs of Brookfield and Hilden Elementary, Creative Voices, CEC, First Baptist Girls' Choir, First United Church Choir, Tatamagouche Area Singers and URSA Major from CJHS. In support of the Colchester Community Workshops.

**2020 Bicentennial Year Events (a partial listing):**

**Monday, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>**

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Stone Soup Anniversary Meal

**Saturday, May 9, 2020**

2:00 -4:00 - Anniversary Tea in the Upper Hall

**June 14, 2020**

Old Fashioned Parish Picnic / Worship on the Lawn

**Sept. 13, 2020 Holy Cross Day – Celebration of the Bicentennial Cross**

8:00 and 10:00 a.m. services

**Sunday, September 27, 2020**

7:00 p.m. Historic Hymn Sing in the Church

**Sunday, Oct. 18, 2020**

4:00 p.m. Bicentennial Worship

5:30 p.m. Mingle and Munch

6:00 p.m. Gala Dinner

**Nov. 2020 (Date to be Determined)**

Truro Santa Claus Parade participation



February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020



Rector: Rev'd Lori Ramsey

Associates: The Rev'd Gary Yetman and The Rev'd Dorothy Tay



Wardens: Hazel Sherren and Neil Harris

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