



Parish Update #31

Hi friends of St. John's,

As of this morning, Dec. 22, Bishop Sandra Fyfe has suspended all in-person worship for churches in Nova Scotia. This means that we will not be holding our Christmas Eve services as planned and that Sunday worship for Dec. 26, Jan 2 and Jan 9 will be held online only.

This is the third time that our Christmas worship plans have had to be reorganized. As I'm sure you can appreciate, this is short notice for a return to full online worship mode. So, the plan for the next week will be as follows:

- 1) The original short service of worship planned as an extra to our in-person Christmas Eve services will still be posted by noon on the 24th.
- 2) I will record my Christmas sermon and post it at the same time.
- 3) A simple zoom service will be recorded for Sunday, Dec. 26 and will be online by 8:00 that morning.

We will return to recording a regular zoom service with music for the Jan. 2 Sunday.

Attached is Bishop Sandra's letter to us all.

May the peace of the Christ child still find its way to your heart this Christmas. Blessings to you all,

Rev. Lori