

8:00am Holy Communion
Book of Common Prayer - BCP

Welcome & Collect for Purity pg 67 *Please Sit or Kneel*
Hearing God's Holy Word

Please Sit
 First Reading JEREMIAH 33:14-16
 Psalm 25 **pg. 359**
 Second Reading 1 THESSALONIANS 3:9-13
 Gospel (*Please Stand*) LUKE 21:25-36
The Creed pg 71
The Lord's Prayer pg 85 *Please Sit or Kneel*

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

We pray for the Clergy & the people of Parishes of Amherst and Parrsboro Shore.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

We pray for the Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain.

† *The gift of the bread & wine has been given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mom & Dad from Patsy & David Murray.*

Parish Council Meeting: Parish Council will meet this afternoon at 1:30 pm. All members are asked to attend.

Thank You for the 85th Birthday Open House for Annie Hardy:

We would like to offer our sincere thanks to everyone who came out to celebrate the 85th Birthday open house. Thank you to everyone who helped out. Thank you to Mothers' Union for supplying the delicious lunch. Many thanks to all who dropped by for a visit. It was a wonderful afternoon filled with fun & fellowship shared with family & friends. May God bless you all. Sincerely, Annie Hardy & family.

Please note office closing policy for storms: The inclement winter weather is upon us, so if School is cancelled for the day due to weather conditions, the Parish Office will remain closed as well.

This Week in the Parish

Sun, Dec. 2nd 8:00 am Worship - BCP
 10:30 am Sunday School
 10:30 am Worship - BAS
 1:30 pm Parish Council Meeting
 7:00 pm Northside Festival of Carols Service at St. Matthew Wesley United Church
 Mon, Dec. 3rd 7:00 pm Mothers' Union Meeting
 Tues, Dec. 4th 7:00 pm Annual Altar Guild Meeting
 Wed, Dec. 5th 9:30 am Mid-Week Worship
 7:00 pm Choir Practice
 6:00 pm Kiwanis Christmas Dinner
 9:00 am Breakfast & Decorating of the Church
 Fri, Dec. 7th 8:00 am Worship - BCP
 Sat, Dec. 8th 10:30 am Sunday School
 10:30 am Worship - BAS
 6:00 pm Mothers' Union Christmas Dinner
 Sun, Dec. 9th 8:00 am Worship - BCP
 10:30 am Sunday School
 10:30 am Worship - BAS
 6:00 pm Mothers' Union Christmas Dinner

Annual Altar Guild meeting: The Annual Altar Guild meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 4th at 7:00 pm. All members are asked to please attend.

Regional Confirmation 2019: There will a Regional Confirmation on April 10th, 2019 at Christ the King Church in Sydney. If you or your child are or will be 12 by April, 2019 and are interested in being confirmed, please speak to Rev. Julio or contact the office to have your name added to the list. More information will follow.

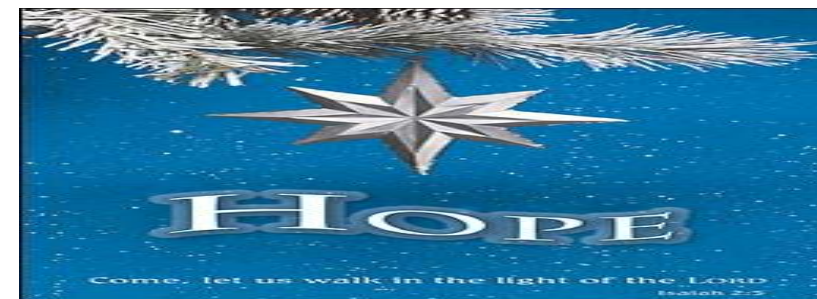
Mothers' Union: Mothers' Union will meet on Monday, December 3rd at 7:00 pm. All members are asked to attend.

Mothers' Union Christmas Dinner: Mothers' Union Christmas Dinner will be held on Sunday, December 9th at 6:00 pm. Money for the dinner is now overdue. If you haven't already paid & you plan on attending the supper, please contact Karen Buffett at 902-736-1925 to make arrangements to pay and have your name added to the list.

**The Anglican Parish of St. John the Baptist,
 North Sydney**

1st Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 2nd, 2018

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: LOVE WINS
 We are glad you are here. If we can help you in any way, please speak to one of the greeters or to the clergy. For your convenience there is a washroom located at the back of the church. Another washroom is located outside of the sanctuary. Also, there are two washrooms located in the basement. There is a changing station in the washroom at the back of the church for those with children.



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 Carol Vickers 736-3740

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 Brenda Pope 736-3475

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Our next Twoonie Sunday will take place on Sunday, December 9th! You can put this in the collection plate any time during the month. God regularly works miracles with Twoonies!!

Lighting of the Advent Candle - Hope

Reader: Today is the first Sunday of Advent. Advent means "coming" and in this season we prepare for the coming of Christ. One of the ways we prepare for his coming is by making an Advent wreath and lighting its candles to remind us of the gifts Christ brings to the world.

Reader: The Advent wreath includes many symbols to help us think about Christ and his gifts. The wreath itself is in the shape of a circle. A circle has no beginning and no end. This reminds us that there is no beginning and no end to God and that God's love and caring are forever.

Reader: The light from the candles - which grows stronger each Sunday in Advent, reminds us that Jesus is the light of the world.

Reader: Today we light the candle of hope. The people of Israel hoped in God's promises and were not disappointed. Again and again God delivered Israel from its enemies. We too have the same experience of salvation. That is why we believe in God's promise to send Jesus to us once again to judge the world and establish his kingdom forever upon the earth.

Reader: Hope is like a light shining in a dark place. As we look at the light of this candle we celebrate the hope we have in Jesus Christ.

Reader: Let us pray:

All: Thank you God for the hope you give us. We ask that as we wait for all your promises to come true, and for Christ to come again, that you would remain present with us. Help us today, and everyday to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing your hope with each other. We ask it in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.

Spreading Its Light Now, Lighting our Darkness

A Hymn to Accompany the Lighting of the Advent Wreath
Tune: *Bunessan* (Gaelic Traditional: "Morning Has Broken")

ADVENT I

Spreading its light now, lighting our darkness,

Candle of HOPE now Advent is here:

Season of quiet, season of promise,

Shining with HOPE as Christmas draws near.

Book of Alternative Services

10:30am Holy Eucharist

Opening Hymn #103

Greeting of the Community

Gloria

First Reading

Psalm 25:1-9

Second Reading

Gradual Hymn #11

Gospel (*Please Stand*)

The Sermon

On Jordan's Bank

pg. 185

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JEREMIAH 33:14-16

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

1 THESSALONIANS 3:9-13

Blessed be the God of Israel

LUKE 21:25-36

Please Sit

Dedication of Plaques

† *The gift of the memorial plaque has been given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Scott LeMoine from Mom Barbara & family.*

† *The gift of the Thanksgiving plaque has been given to the Glory of God from Classie & the late Cecil Parsons.*

The Apostle's Creed pg. 189
The Prayers of the People Form VI (On Screen)

The Confession & Absolution pg. 191
The Peace pg. 192

We make our Offering
Offertory Hymn #5 Christ Whose Glory Fills the skies

The Doxology #666
Eucharistic Prayer C On Insert

The Lord's Prayer pg. 211
Breaking of Bread (**Advent**) pg. 212

The Communion

You are invited to come to the Altar Rail to receive. We offer both the bread and the wine. Please receive as you are comfortable. If you are not able to come to the rail we are pleased to come to you. Please let one of the sides persons know your desire. Children are most welcome to come and receive communion or a blessing as the parents feel comfortable.

Communion Hymns: MP 82, 53 CP 52, 59
Doxology pg. 214

The Blessing
Closing Hymn #389 Come Thou Long Expected Jesus

The ACW 2019 Church calendars are now available. The cost is \$6.00 and are available at the back of the Church or at the office during office hours. Please support the ACW by purchasing one of these beautiful calendars.