

Word from the Brothers: **Blessing**

I wonder if you can receive these words: that you are a blessing to God, and that God is intent on your being a channel of blessing, the blessing of God's light and life and love to all that surrounds you. Can you receive that: that you are a blessing? Br. Curtis Almquist
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**Open minds and loving hearts
All are Welcome**

The Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 27, 2019

8:30 am - HOLY EUCHARIST
BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER



A warm welcome to all, especially those who are worshipping with us for the first time this morning. We hope your time here today will be a blessing to you, as your presence is a blessing to us. *All who come in sincerity are welcome to receive Holy Communion this morning.*

HOLY EUCHARIST
BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

GATHERING

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The Collect for the Day (see bulletin insert)

PROCLAMATION

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10
Psalm 19 (see bulletin insert)
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
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I will be leading a **grief and bereavement support group** for ten weeks starting soon at a time during the day that is agreeable to those who are interested. This group is for anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one, or experienced some other significant loss, whether recently or not so recently. The group will be open to church members and to others from the community. Please let me know if you are interested. *Charles.*

Annual General Meeting: Sunday February 17, 2019
(Snow date: Sunday March 4) Please have all annual reports in to the office by Wednesday, January 30th. Thank You!

January, February & March Dates at a Glance

Thurs	Jan 31	-11:30 am	Casserole Luncheon, Hall
Sat	Feb 2		Scouts Sleepover, Hall
Sat	Feb 9	9:00 am	Men's Breakfast - Sandwich Club, Hall
Tue	Feb 12		Ultreya, Church & Hall
Sat	Feb 16		Hall Rental, Art Workshop
Sun	Feb 17	12:00 pm	Annual General Meeting Hall
Mon	Feb 18		Music Practice, Church
Thur	Feb 21		Parish Council, Hall
Sun	Feb 24		Scout Parade, Church
Thur	Feb 28		Casserole Luncheon, Hall - Altar Guild, Church
Sat	Mar 2		Neighbourhood Pot Luck
Tue	Mar 5	4:30 pm	Pancake Supper, Hall
Wed	Mar 6		Ash Wednesday (Service Time 7 pm)

St. Margaret of Scotland Mission Statement:

To be a Christ-centered, mission minded community, embracing all people across the spectrum of cultural, ethnic, gender, sexual orientation, ages and class diversity as full members of the family of God.

Week at a Glance (Jan. 27 — Feb. 3)

Sun 2 - 5 pm — Hall Rental
5:30 pm — Youth Group, Church & Hall
Mon 6:00 pm — Beavers, Hall
Tues 6:30 pm — Cubs, Hall
Wed 6:00 pm — 78th Highlanders, Church & Hall
9:15 pm — Compline, Church
Thur 11:30 am — Casserole Lunch
6:30 pm — Scouts, Hall
Sat 6:30 pm — Scouts Sleepover, Hall
Sun 5:30 pm — Youth Group, Church & Hall

Coffee Hour

You are invited to a time of refreshment & fellowship following the 10:30 service.

Casserole Luncheon This Thursday, January 31, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$10 Adults or \$7:50 Students and Seniors. Please spread the word and bring a friend or two. If you are able to assist in any way, by providing a dish (casseroles, salads, desserts, rolls, etc) or lending hand, call Anne 902-453-6912

Your Implementation Steering Group has agreed to concentrate on three items from the list of 10 priorities which were established on Discernment Day...OUTREACH, PASTORAL VISITATION and MUSIC. The remaining topics will be addressed down the road. A sign-up poster will be at the back of the church and we invite you to become a part of the consultation process for the item which appeals to you. Please participate in helping to develop ways in which our church can become more missional in this ever-changing world. Anyone who signs up will be contacted by the person convening the group.

Boat Project - A.C.W Outreach this January is:

Snacks and Munchies for Phoenix House. Please put your donations of Snacks for the youth at Phoenix House in the blue tub at the back of the church. Items needed are: Cheese & Crackers, Chips, Kraft Dinner or any other snack foods.

Parish Council Highlights

January 2019

- ❖ The collaboration with St. Mark's/Ward Five to collect food items for Christmas hampers was very successful. Council thanks all those who donated cranberry sauce and helped pack and deliver 120 hampers to families in need. Thanks also for all donations to the Cheer Tree that supported Adsum House, Basinview Home, and Metro Turning Point clients.
- ❖ We continue to search for a new Music Director as the candidate approved by Council in November was ultimately not hired.
- ❖ Parish Council is seeking one or more volunteers to establish and maintain a Book of Remembrance to be displayed in the church. The names of parishioners who have died will be noted in the book on their date of death and each day a page will be turned, allowing us to remember those who have passed away.
- ❖ Georgia Johnson is looking for expressions of interest in a Kitchen Party to honour and celebrate all those who have worked so hard over the years in the kitchen. Please see Georgia if you would like to help with this event.
- ❖ The 2019 Budget was approved by Council for presentation to the congregation at the upcoming Annual General Meeting to be held on February 17 (snow date March 4/19).
- ❖ Addressing the outcome of Discernment Day, it was decided that three areas would initially be addressed (Music, Outreach, and Pastoral Visitation) and those parishioners who had expressed an interest in these areas will be invited to attend informal brainstorming sessions to determine the way forward. The other seven areas of interest will be addressed over time.
- ❖ Council agreed to the installation of a small network antenna on the church roof by Sigman Wireless for which they will pay an annual rental fee of \$2,400.
- ❖ Advance notice: Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be held on October 6, 2019, one week ahead of Thanksgiving.

Our Annual General Meeting is coming up on Sunday February 17th and its' time to be thinking about nominations. Below is a list of the positions we will be seeking to fill. If any of these interest you, or if you are simply curious to know more, please see me or one of your wardens. (No obligations and no pressure!)

Envelope Secretary
Synod Delegate (2)
Alternate Synod Delegate (1)
Parish Council Member at Large

Here are detailed descriptions of what is involved in each of these positions:

Envelope Secretary (1)

- Maintains the records of financial contributions made to the church
- Must maintain confidentiality of all contributions.
- Some computer skills are necessary, as information is computerized (PowerChurch).
- Requires organizational skills, able to meet deadlines.
- Reconciles the records of income with those of the Treasurer on a regular basis.
- Distributes sets of Offering Envelopes to parishioners, making necessary changes as they occur.
- Prepares and distributes Income Tax Receipts annually.

Synod Delegates (2)

- Synod (the legislature of the Church) is usually convened every two years in the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.
This year Synod will be held from Thursday May23rd to Saturday May 25th.
- Delegates to Synod should:
 - Attend the Synod sessions over the 2-year Synod cycle.
 - Prepare for the matters to be considered at the Synod. This generally involves reading the materials which are sent before the Synod.
 - Understand the basic processes at Synod, or at least come to Synod ready to learn the basic processes.

- Participate in Synod. This may involve contributing on the floor of Synod by moving and/or speaking to motions and, when they are considered, asking questions about them. Possibly the most important way of participating in Synod is the informal networking that goes on before, during and even after the Synod session.
- Attend Parish Council, usually the third Thursday of each month.
- Attend one pre-synod meeting of Regional Council.

Alternate Synod Delegate (1)

- Act as replacement for any designated Synod Delegate unable to attend the bi-annual Synod (see description of Synod Delegate).

Members at Large (3)

- attend and participate in monthly meetings of Parish Council (no meetings in July and August). Usually the third Thursday of the month.
- exercise general oversight over the life, worship and governance of the parish.
- regularly evaluate the overall life of the parish and recommend ideas for effective ministries.
- In the control of the funds and property of the parish, parish council has the right and power (a) to determine matters of policy, and (b) to approve budgets (including the annual budget prepared by the treasurer and wardens for submission to the annual general meeting of parishioners), and (c) to authorise payments.
- Most members of council serve on one or more committees (e.g. Property, Finance, Spiritual Development, etc.) or working groups.