# St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church

(Congregation established 1913)

## November 11th 2018

## **Remembrance Sunday**

LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve thee in good works, to the glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **TODAY AT ST. MARY'S**

<u>We wish a warm welcome</u> especially to those who are praying with us for the first time; your presence is a blessing! If you would like to identify yourself, or would like know more about our ministry and mission, please speak to one of the greeters and ask for a welcome card which you may complete and place in the offering plate.

<u>Flowers on the Altar</u> In loving memory of Gloria & James Honey and Frank Stephen with thanks for their service in Canada.

<u>Nursery</u> for infants & toddlers is available in the Good Shepherd Nursery. Leader: Starr D

**Godly Play** in the Children's Worship Centre for children 3 - 6 years. "Today's story is 'Joseph's Later Life' Genesis 39:1; 45:4-7. Leaders: Myka D, Sandra D.

<u>Faith Quest (ages 7-13)</u> continue the John the Baptist and the Baptism of Jesus rotation. Today, Clara D will lead and Sally and Ernie K will shepherd a Let There Be Art workshop - origami doves. Memory Verse: "And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my beloved son, and I am fully pleased with him." Matthew 3:17

<u>Coffee & Fellowship</u> Following the service, please join us for a cup of tea or coffee in the Upper Hall.

#### THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Tuesday 10:30 am Forever in Motion Senior Exercise Wednesday 8:30 am Morning Prayer; Men's Breakfast

10:30am Parent and Tots Group

Thursday 9:30 am Woman's Time Out Bible Study

Next Sunday 9:40 am Morning Prayer

10:30 am Holy Communion

#### **MORNING PRAYER AT NINE- FORTY**

Prayer Book, pp.6-5, Psalm 144; Ecclesiastes 51:1-12; 1 Corinthians 15:50-end

#### HOLY COMMUNNION AT HALF-PAST TEN

Opening Hymn: # 572 Let There Be Light

The Lord's Prayer Collect for Purity Summary of the Law, Lord. Have Mercy Collect for the Day

(*Prayer Book p. 67*) (*Prayer Book p. 69, 70*)

Lesson: Micah 4:1-5 R/ **Thanks be to God** 

Psalm: 85:7-13 page: 439

Prayer with the children

Epistle: Ephesians 2:13-18 R/ Thanks be to God

Gradual: # 564 Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (Chap 16, verses 23-33)

R: Glory be to thee, O Lord R: Praise be to Thee, O Christ

Sermon

Nicene Creed (Prayer Book p. 71)

<u>Intercessions</u>

Offertory Hymn: # 585 Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

The people of St. Mary's have the privilege of being part of and supporting the ministry of Jesus Christ and His Church through weekly financial offerings. If you are visiting here today, you are welcome to make a contribution, but please do not feel under any obligation to do so.

Invitation, Confession and Absolution

(*Prayer Book p.* 76, 77)

Great Thanksgiving, Peace, Prayer of Humble Access

## The Communion

+ All baptized Christians who have prepared themselves are invited to come forward with faith and love to receive Holy Communion.

- + *If you prefer to receive a blessing, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.*
- + For health reasons, dipping the bread in the wine is not permitted. If you require gluten-free wafer, please indicate this at the time of receiving.

Hymn after Communion: # **541 As Longs the Hart for Flowing Streams**Lord's Prayer
Thanksgiving after Communion (*Prayer Book p.* 85, 86)
Gloria
Blessing

Hymn: I Vow To Thee, My Country

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love; The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best; The love that never falters, the love that pays the price The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know;
We may not count her armies, we may not see her King;
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering;
And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase
And her ways are ways of gentleness, and all her paths are peace.

#### **ACT OF REMEMBRANCE**

Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure keeping: those whose lives in world wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away.

Reading of St. Mary's Roll of Honour

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.

We will remember them.

(The Silence)

#### **PRAYERS**

## For the Departed.

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: Hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love; and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### For the Peace of the World

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: kindle, we pray, in the hearts of all, the true love of peace and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth that in tranquillity your kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen

#### For those who serve in the Queen's Forces

O LORD of hosts, stretch forth, we pray thee, thine almighty arm to strengthen and protect the Queen's forces in every peril of sea, and land, and air; shelter them in the day of battle, and ever keep them safe from all evil; endue them with loyalty and courage; and grant that in all things they may serve as seeing thee who art invisible; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 

Dismissal: Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. R/**Thanks be to God.**\* Please observe a moment for silent prayer\*

#### THE WORD OF THE LORD: TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

## FIRST READING: Micah 4:1-5

It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills; and peoples shall flow to it, and many nations shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall decide for strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; but they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree, and none shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken. For all the peoples walk each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever and ever.

## **SECOND READING:** Ephesians 2:13-18

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near in the blood of Christ. For he is our peace, who has made us both one, and has broken down the dividing wall of hostility, by abolishing in his flesh the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby bringing the hostility to an end. And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.

#### **GOSPEL:** John 16:23-33

On that day you will ask nothing of me. Very truly, I tell you, if you ask anything of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be complete. Peace for the Disciples "I have said these things to you in figures of speech. The hour is coming when I will no longer speak to you in figures, but will tell you plainly of the Father. On that day you will ask in my name. I do not say to you that I will ask the Father on your behalf; for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God. I came from the Father and have come into the world; again, I am leaving the world and am going to the Father." His disciples said, "Yes, now you are speaking plainly, not in any figure of speech! Now we know that you know all things, and do not need to have anyone question you; by this we believe that you came from God." Jesus answered them, "Do you now believe? The hour is coming, indeed it has come, when you will be scattered, each one to his home, and you will leave me alone. Yet I am not alone because the Father is with me. I have said this to you, so that in me you may have peace. In the world you face persecution. But take courage; I have conquered the world!"

# **PARISH LIFE NOTES**

**Anglican Journal Subscriptions.** The Anglican Journal is a nationwide newspaper of the Anglican Church of Canada that is sent out free of charge once a month along with the Sask Anglican which shares news from the 3 Anglican Dioceses in the province of Saskatchewan. Anyone wishing to receive a new subscription or cancel an existing one is asked to contact Yvonne is the parish office at 522-6052 or stmarysanglican@sasktel.net.

This evening at 7:30 p.m., the Luther Bach Choir presents a performance entitled "And on Earth, Peace: Music for Remembrance Day" at the Rex Schneider Auditorium (second floor) of Luther College at the University of Regina (3737 Wascana Parkway). The concert features guest instrumentalists, and choral music by J. S. Bach, Fauré, Vivaldi and others. There is no admission charge for the event but a freewill offering will be collected and a reception follows.

**Painting Bee-** On Saturday, November 17 at 9.30 a.m. there will be a painting bee at St. Mary's to repaint and refresh the walls of the Lower Hall. We are looking for people with some painting experience to come for the morning to help. Please be in touch with our Sexton, Terry, if you are able to join us for the morning.

## **Envelope Secretary Update**

- 1. If you would like a statement of your contributions up to the end of September, please let me know and I will be happy to print one off for you.
- 2. If you would like to change your offering envelope status, now is the time to do so. You can:
  - change from weekly to monthly envelopes or vice versa
  - begin to use envelopes if you haven't used them before
  - discontinue using envelopes
  - begin making contributions by direct deposit from your bank account
  - discontinue making contributions by direct deposit from your bank account

Tax receipts are issued for all contributions as long as we are able to identify the donor. Please let me know if you want to make any of the above changes or if you have any questions. Sharon B, Envelope Secretary

**The Wardens, Incumbents and Interims group** met with Bishop Rob on November 7, 2018. Key discussion was about: updating the Bishop on discussions and work that has been done by the group to date; discussing the possibilities or ideas for moving forward that the group had identified at their October meeting; hearing the Bishop's vision for the St. Cuthbert/Regina region; and, finalizing the agenda for the November 18 town hall gathering (from 1:00 − 3:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Cathedral) The wardens, incumbents and interims will meet again on November 27th.

# Greetings to all members of the Regina and Plain and Valley parishes, otherwise known as the St. Cuthbert's Archdeaconry.

All members from the Regina parishes and Plain and Valley Parish are invited to:

What: **Town Hall Meeting** 

When: Sunday, November 18, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Where: St. Paul's Cathedral (1859 McIntyre Street, Regina)

Who: **Parishioners** of all the parishes are invited to attend.

Bishop Rob, parish Wardens, Incumbents & Interims, and the

**Regional Mission Team** will be present

(Coffee and tea will be provided. Members may wish to bring a bagged lunch with them.)

You are likely aware that the Wardens of all Regina parishes and Plain and Valley parish have been meeting for several months. They have been meeting at the request of Bishop Rob to discern the way forward for our region—the St. Cuthbert Archdeaconry.

A key piece of work for the Wardens' group was to develop a "Parish Self-Assessment Booklet". This was developed and sent out to all parishes in June 2018, asking that each parish complete and send it back to the Wardens' group by September 7. All of the parish booklets were completed and returned, and a small working team has met to do some analysis of the information. If you wish to review your parish's self-assessment, please contact your Wardens.

We now want to share that information with all the parish members, and to update members on where discussions are at in this work overall.

The November 18 gathering is an opportunity for the Wardens' group to:

- share the information gleaned from the "Parish Self-Assessment Booklet" that was completed by all eight parishes;
- provide information on the discussions that have occurred thus far; and,
- seek input from parish members on the way forward.

We recognize this is a busy time with lots happening but we hope that you will prayerfully consider coming to this important gathering. If you have questions about the meeting, please speak with the Wardens in your parish or contact me. If you cannot attend but wish to provide a comment, please speak with your Wardens.

In faith, Cheryl The Venerable Cheryl Toth, Archdeacon of St. Cuthbert's Archdeaconry allsaintspriest@sasktel.net