Excerpts From Parish of Richmond e-News **December 5, 2024**

This week's birthday: Patricia Margison, Nancy Clarke, Emma Sewell

Food Bank: Let's fill those boxes and show gratitude to God by sharing with our neighbour the blessings we have been given.

Christmastide services

- Sunday 8 December: Richmond service of Lessons & Carols at St. Mark's, 7:00 PM
- Sunday 15 December: Children & Family Christmas service at St. John's, 3:00 PM
- Saturday 21 December: Mamma Mary! nativity story at St. Luke's, 3:00 PM (doors open 2:45 PM)
- Tuesday 24 December: Christmas Eve communion at Holy Trinity (11:00 AM), St. Mark's (4:00 PM) and St. John's (5:30 PM)
- Wednesday 25 December: Christmas Day communion at St. John's (9:30 AM) and Christ Church (11:00 AM)
- Sunday 29 December: Communion at St. Mark's (9:00 AM) and **St. Luke's** (11:00 AM)

Advent group study meets each Monday (Richmond Parish Centre, 2:00 PM) and Tuesday (St. Luke's hall, 7:00 PM). Invite a friend.

RICHMOND NEXT WEEK

Sunday, December 15, 2024

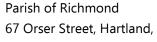
- Morning Prayer Service at Holy Trinity (9:00 AM)
- Communion Service at St. Mark's (9:00 AM)
- Communion Service at **St. Luke's** (11:00 AM)
- Christmas Family Service at St. John's (3:00 PM)



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Welcome to Holy Trinity Anglican Church



67 Orser Street, Hartland, NB

second sunday of Peace

December 8, 2024 9:00 AM

Communion Service

Book of Alternative Services (BAS - Green Book)

Collect Of The Day

Almighty God,

who sent your servant John the Baptist to prepare your people to welcome the Messiah, inspire us, the ministers and stewards of your truth, to turn our disobedient hearts to you, that when the Christ shall come again to be our judge, we may stand with confidence before his glory; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever . Amen.



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J Processional Hymn

Gathering of the Community

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Prayers

Prayer List

Among those we uphold in prayer: Allen, Connie, Debbie, Ivan, Joyce, Lawrence, Lynn, Melba, Michelle, Nadine, Peggy, Rosanne, Shirley, Steven

Prayer over the Gifts

God our strength, we are nothing without you. Receive all we offer you this day as you sustain us with your mercy; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Prayer After Communion

Faithful God, we thank you for feeding us with this heavenly banquet. Help us always to hear the prophet's call to turn our hearts to you; in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen**.



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Holy Communion Service Book of Alternative Services (BAS - Green Book) December 8, 2024 Gospel Reading

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE

- 1. In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene,
- 2. during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness.
- 3. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins,
- as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.
- 5. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth;
- 5. and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

LUKE 3:1-6



Holy Communion Service Book of Alternative Services (BAS - Green Book) Pages 88-89 December 8, 2024 Canticle 19a The Song of Zechariah

REFRAIN: The dawn from on high shall break upon us.

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; **he has come to his people and set them free**.

He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, **born of the house of his servant David**.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies, **from the hands of all who hate us**.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers **and to remember his holy covenant**.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, **to set us free from the hands of our enemies**,

free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

to give his people knowledge of salvation **by the forgiveness of their sins**.

In the tender compassion of our God **the dawn from on high shall break upon us**,

to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: **as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen**.



Holy Communion Service Book of Alternative Services (BAS - Green Book) December 8, 2024 First Reading

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF MALACHI

- 1. See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts.
- 2. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap;
- 3. he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness.
- 4. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

MALACHI 3:1-4

Did you know ...?

"O Little Town of Bethlehem" is a classic Christmas carol that paints a

peaceful and serene picture of the birthplace of Jesus. Written by Phillips Brooks in 1868, the song's lyrics describe the quiet and holy night when Christ was born, with a focus on the peace and stillness of Bethlehem. The verse, "The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight," captures the profound significance of this peaceful moment in history.

The carol's gentle melody and reflective lyrics create an atmosphere of calm and reverence, making it a favorite in Christmas services and celebrations. "O Little Town of Bethlehem" resonates with listeners who appreciate the peaceful imagery and the deep spiritual meaning of the Nativity. It's a song that invites quiet



contemplation on the peace that Jesus brings to the world, offering a moment of stillness in the midst of the holiday season.

Holy Communion Service Book of Alternative Services (BAS - Green Book) December 8, 2024 Second Reading

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE PHI-LIPPIANS

- 3. I thank my God every time I remember you,
- 4. constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you,
- 5. because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now.
- 6. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ.
- 7. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel.
- 8. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus.
- 9. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight
- 10. to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless,
- 11. having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

PHILIPPIANS 1:3-11

