

The Loop Anglican Newsletter

Third Sunday of Advent

December 17, 2017

Services: 9:30 am at St. Paul and St. John, 11 am at St. James

LESSONS: MICAH 5:2-5, ISAIAH 11:1-10, LUKE 1:26-38, LUKE 2:1-8

The Bishop is coming Sunday, Dec. 17: Bishop Michael Oulton visits our parish for two services. He will arrive at 8:30 at St. John for muffins, coffee and a 9:30 Eucharist. Then he will go to St. James for 11 a.m. Confirmation. Luncheon follows with the Bishop at 12:15.

Christmas Services. Mark your calendar:

Sunday, Dec. 24, 10 a.m. St. John, Prescott: Morning Prayer with carols.

4 p.m., St. Paul, Cardinal, candlelight Carols and Communion.

7 p.m., St. James, Maitland, candlelight Carols and Communion.

9 p.m., St. John, Prescott, candlelight Carols and Communion.

Christmas Morn, Dec. 25, one service only: 11 a.m. Carols and Communion at St. John, Prescott.

Living our Christ-like life: (from the Book of Common Prayer) Every Christian... should from time to time, frame for themselves a Rule of Life in accordance with the precepts of the Gospel... considering: The regularity of their attendance at public worship and especially at the holy Communion; the practice of private prayer, Bible-reading and self-discipline; bringing the teaching and example of Christ into their everyday life; the boldness of their spoken witness to their faith; their personal service to the Church and the community; the offering of money according to their means for the work of the Church at home and overseas.

<u>Compassionate calls:</u> A way to outreach with Rev. <u>Tracey:</u> We all notice, from time to time, friends missing from services for a few Sundays. Please show you care with a friendly call, or a card. It cheers people to know they are remembered, missed and prayed for. With thanks, Rev. Tracey.

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - DECEMBER 17TH – CON'T

How can your church help? Know someone who is struggling with illness or other worries? Let them know we have gifts in Christ, to offer. First, prayer. Ask if we can lift them up in prayer on Sundays, because there is nothing greater than being surrounded in prayers during difficult times. Second, health. Our nurse, Illana Dobson, brings a wealth of health support and Christian care – so call her: 246-2986. Third: God's love is shared. Rev. Tracey is always truly happy to come and give Communion and prayers for healing. Please call her at 925-0043 to book an appointment. And finally: Prayer shawls. You can take a beautiful prayer shawl or man's lap robe to any friend. These are available at our churches.

<u>In need:</u> We're looking for any 2nd hand furniture donations, chairs, a love seat, tables, etc, for someone moving into an apartment in need of furnishings. Please let Rev Tracey know. Thanks.

At St. Paul:

Mark your calendar: Saturday, Dec. 16. 2-4 p.m. Open house at the Graham's for all the folks from St. Paul's. Please join us for this social get-together at 1902 County Rd. 2. Hope to see you then.

At St. John:

Saturday, Dec. 16: Fill Christmas hampers 11 a.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 19. Youth Group carols at Mayfield. Choir Practice 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 20: Women's Bible study is taking a break and will resume Jan. 10, 2018.

Friday, Dec. 22: Men's Bible study 11 a.m.

Reminder: Connect Youth is looking for men's small and medium winter coats for youth in need. Please call 925-3671 or drop off coats at St. John.

At St. James:

Saturday, Dec. 16, 9:30 a.m.: All-parish men's breakfast at St. James hall, Maitland. Sign up needed. Travel tips and planning with Gary and Daphne Thornhill. Phone or email Tracey.

Donations for Chernobyl seniors: There is a box at back of church for any donations for seniors, male and female, in Chernobyl. Suggested items: toiletries such as shampoo, combs, brushes, nail files, bandaids, hankies, kleenex, facecloths, hand/body cream, razors, socks, scarves, hard candies, tea. Reading glasses seem to be most valued by these seniors.

Christmas poinsettias: Dec. 17 is last day to donate for Christmas poinsettias. Fill out a card at back of church.

A couple of important phone numbers: Contact for Revs. Tracey and David is **613.925.0043**. Illana Dobson is **parish nurse** and her phone number is **613.246.2986**. Feel free to phone Illana with health questions or to request a visit.