

# The Loop Anglican Newsletter

1st Sunday of Advent

December 3, 2017

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

LESSONS: ROMANS 13: 11-14 (BRING YOUR BIBLE) PSALM 80: 1-7, MARK 13:24-37

<u>Living our Christ like life:</u> (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>Our first Sunday of the new Christian year:</u> We are entering a special season. The season of Advent is for us a time of joyful anticipation of Christ's coming. Please take an Advent/Christmas newsletter from Rev. Tracey with you on Sunday; it contains an important message about prayer, as well as the calendar for our worship and special events.

<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.

<u>How can your church help?</u> 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.

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Thanks for staying "In the Loop" and God bless you

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<u>All are invited:</u> Tuesday, **Dec. 12**, 5-7 p.m. Christmas potluck talent show at St. John, Christmas songs and skits. Bring a Christmas-like dish and enjoy the show. Everyone is invited. It's the kids' way of saying thank you for everything you have done for them.

<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.

Christmas Eve services: St. Paul 4 p.m., St. James 7 p.m., St. John 9 p.m. (No Sunday morning services Dec. 24)

## 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:

Tuesday, Dec. 5: no youth group, choir practice 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6: women's Bible study 2-3 p.m. Friday, Dec. 8: men's Bible study 11 a.m., Messy Church 5-7 p.m.

John Ashby is welcoming all parishioners to join him to **celebrate the retirement** of his wife Lorraine at a get-together on Dec. 9 at 6:30 at St. John parish hall. Everyone is welcome. Please feel free to bring a dessert or finger foods to share. Congratulations to Lorraine.

The **FOSJ Prescott Book Club** Fall 2017 meeting and potluck dinner will be held at St. John parish hall on Dec. 11, 6-9 p.m. Please contact Bonita if you need more info: <a href="mailto:slunder@foxmail.ca">slunder@foxmail.ca</a>

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Thank you tea party: Friday, Dec. 15, 2:30 p.m., St. John hall. Given by Connect Youth, in thanks for our support.

### At St. James:

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.

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.