

Holy Trinity Anglican Church

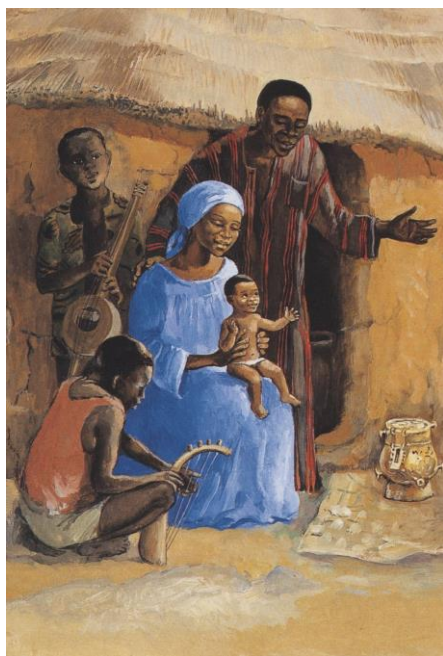
63 William Street, Yarmouth, NS B5A 1Y5

A community of Faith since 1796

IT'S ABOUT MORE

December 25th, 2018 Christmas Day

9:00am Sung Holy Communion



JESUS MAFA¹. Holy Family

Welcome!

Holy Trinity Anglican Church, in the Parish of Yarmouth and Tusket, welcomes all to pray and worship the Lord our God. Here we strive to serve God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to be a worshipping, caring, forgiving, enabling community and to share our time, talent and treasure for God's work at home and around the world. We are delighted you chose to join us today.

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Lay Ministers Today

9:00 am Holy Communion

Eucharistic Minister: Kellianne Land

Server: Alec Pitt

Reader (Lector): Shirley Muise

Greeter: Dave Warner

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Holy Trinity: Christmas Morning Service

The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ

9 am BCP Holy Communion

The service begins on p. 67 of the Book of Common Prayer

The Christmas Anthems p. 104 (canted)

Opening Hymn: #118 O Come All Ye Faithful

The Lord's Prayer p. 67 (*said by priest alone*)

Collect for Purity p. 67

Summary of the Law p. 69

Collect for Christmas Day p. 104

The Epistle: p.105 (*Hebrews 1:1-12*)

(The reader begins): A reading from Hebrews

(At the end): Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

(The people respond): **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 98:5-7 p. 456.

The Gospel p. 103 (*John 1:1-14*)

Gradual Hymn: #153 v. 1 & 2 Good Christians All, Rejoice

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

Glory be to thee, O Lord

At the end of the Gospel reading:

This is the gospel of Christ

Glory be to thee, O Christ

Gradual Hymn #153, v.3

Homily

The Nicene Creed p.71

The Offertory p. 73

Offertory Hymn: #139 The First Nowell

Prayer over the Gifts .p.74

The Intercession p.75

Confession, Absolution p. 76

Comfortable Words p. 77

Thanksgiving and Consecration p. 78

With Preface for Christmas Day, p. 79

Prayer of Humble Access p, 83

Agnus Dei (O Lamb of God) p. 84

Communion

Communion Hymn: #48 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

The Lord's Prayer p. 85

Prayers after Communion p. 85

The Gloria p. 86 *The Gloria #376*

The Blessing

Announcements

Closing Hymn: #154 Joy to the World

In Memoriam



*The bulletins in December are offered in
loving memory of
Gertrude Helen Judge.*

MEETINGS AND HAPPENINGS

CHRISTMAS LESSONS AND CAROLS: Sunday December 30th 10:00 am

CAFÉ WEDNESDAY: Wednesday January 2nd 8:30 – 10:00am

SENIORS' AFTERNOON: Tuesday January 8th 2pm-4pm

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Tuesday January 8th 6-8pm

LABYRINTH WALK: Friday January 16th 6:30 – 8:30 pm Refreshments 8:30-9:00pm In the Parish Hall

IN THE COMMUNITY

SENIORS' AFTERNOON: Please join us Tuesday January 8th, from 2:00-4:00 at the Parish hall. We are planning games, sweets, tea, snacks and fun!

LABYRINTH WALK: Embodiment of Prayer and Spiritual Connection. Friday January 16th 6:30 – 8:30 pm. Refreshments 8:30-9:00pm In the Parish Hall. All welcome. Donations accepted.

MEAL-A-DAY FOR 100 DAYS: "Meal-A-Day for 100 Days" is a community initiative for the winter months that we can all stand behind! "Meal-A-Day for 100 Days" will provide one meal (breakfast, lunch or dinner) each day from mid-December to the end of March and is available to everyone in the community. Holy Trinity offers a homemade Breakfast Wednesdays 8:30-10:00, and a homemade Luncheon on Fridays 11:30-1:00pm.

MEMORIAL ORNAMENTS

Thank you to all who ordered Memorial Ornaments.

Ann Winkles, in memory of Jean, Ken, Elsie, Laurette, Pat

Ivan Dagley, in memory of Alvina Dagley

Paul Mazier, in memory of Elizabeth Mazier

Phyllis Kendell, in memory of Gordon, Eva, Everett, Donna, Ena, Melvin

Joanne Sheppard, in memory of Westley, Mary Ann, Gordon, Effie

Georgina Bent, in memory of George, Frieda, Joan Cecil

Richard Ryder, in memory of Ruth Olden

Sheila Watson, in memory of John A. Watson

Julie Chandler, in memory of Joan Jenkins, Gladys Williams

Roy Bent, in memory of Louise Bent

Grace Marginson, in memory of Robin Marginson, Everett & Christina Kenney

Denise Pothier, in memory of Mac Fuller, Nancy Doucette

CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers and potted plants throughout the church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of the following family and friends.

- ✘ Inez and John Derevjanik, Anthony Carpentieri and Maria and Enrico Mangiarotti in loving memory by Ms. Joanne Derevjanik
- ✘ Veronica and Reginald Miller, Hubert Blake, Loretta Mitchell, Dean Johnson, Althea Miller, and Jeanette Thomas in loving memory by Sandra and Charles Blake
- ✘ Husband – Malcolm H. Bradshaw; In-Laws Canon Alleyne and wife Margaret Bradshaw Joan Bradshaw, and Randy and Beryl Day, Dorothy and Earl Patte, Charles Bradshaw, David Bradshaw; parents – Eldon and Helen Ford; brother Henry Ford, by Shirley Bradshaw
- ✘ Bob and Barbara Harding, Bob and Doreen Sutherland and brother Earl Sutherland in loving memory of our parents by Glenn, Cheryl and family
- ✘ Elizabeth Mazier, Alelia and Henri Mazier; William and Bertha Haley Bill Haley in loving memory by Paul Mazier
- ✘ Charles Brittain in loving memory by his wife Gerry and daughter Ellen and grandchildren Erin and Alex
- ✘ Michael Clark in loving memory by Makiko Clark
- ✘ John Critchley in loving memory by his wife Beryl
- ✘ Capt. Regional Collier and Florence Collier in loving memory by Angela Collier
- ✘ Albert Richards, Laura Martell-Dyke, Marion & John Martell in loving memory from Iris Martell-Richards
- ✘ Paul Stoddard in loving memory by Betty and family
- ✘ Ardith Patten and Carole Koopmans in loving memory by Roanne Collier & family
- ✘ Walton and Josina Warner, F. Maxwell and Edith Rowe in loving memory by David and Chelle Warner

- ✘ Leonard Robicheau in loving memory by Maude, daughters Michelle and Wendy, sons in law, and grandchildren
Randall Nickerson in loving memory by Patricia Nickerson
- ✘ David Hall in loving memory by Bea, Jim and Sheila

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM REV. TORY

Love came down at Christmas, Love all lovely, Love Divine,
Love was born at Christmas, Star and Angels gave the sign.
Worship we the Godhead, Love Incarnate, Love Divine

So wrote poet Christina Rossetti in 1885. She captures the essence of the Incarnation. The divine came to us, to be God-with-us in a real, tangible way. And we celebrate the birth of the baby Jesus.

Now we can say, “Christmas is here! It’s here!” We say this with with gladness – and maybe a bit of relief. Or can we? I would challenge you and say that it isn’t really true. At least, it’s not God’s truth and it’s not the Christian’s truth. Why? Simply this, Christmas is not an event. Shopping, decorating, hanging stockings, wonderful Christmas dinners, even Christmas service, and even the birth of Jesus are events, and they all are important parts of Christmas, but none of them are Christmas. Christmas is not an event. Christmas is God’s eternal gift of love; nothing in all creation can destroy it. God’s love is a Way of Love, a Way of Life.

God chose to come to us as a baby, vulnerable, weak, unable to survive without human care to give us a choice. God, the vulnerable babe of Christmas is all about God giving us a choice, for that tiny babe in the manger faced a world full of danger and darkness. God asks us to accept this weakest of all beings as our saviour, as our redeemer, as our friend, our hope, peace, joy and love, asking, “Will you accept me”? The choice is ours. We are free to say no, - or yes. If we choose yes, it is a commitment to follow Jesus throughout life, to live the way Jesus showed us. It is truly a way of life – active, growing, sharing, giving and receiving. The early followers of Jesus were called Followers of the Way. It is a Way of Life, a Way of Love, that we live intentionally, actively. As the old saying goes, “sitting in a pew no more make you a Christian than sitting in a garage makes you a car.”

God chose to come to us, take fully human form, so that we might see that the Way of Love can be our way of life. We can know the hope and peace of Christ, We may find that deep ecstatic joy and know the fullness of love that God offers. Will we accept that by committing to the Way of love. Can you tend to God all the time? Pray daily. Read, study, and discuss scripture with others. Commit to give your gifts –, be involved.in the life of the Church, be involved in the life of the world. Let gratitude grow within you. Be the Gospel that others may see the love of God through you.

May this Christmastide be filled with joy and the Peace of Christ Jesus and the may the New Year bring you ever closer to Love divine and Love incarnate.



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Christmas schedule

- Dec. 24** **Christmas Eve**
4:00pm Family & Friends Worship and
 Children's Pageant.
All welcome, come as you are –
 PJ's & slippers or Top Hat & Tails
8:30pm Christmas Carols in the Church
9:00pm Contemporary ("BAS") choral Eucharist
- Dec. 25** **Christmas Day**
9:00am Traditional BCP Choral Holy
 Communion
- Dec. 26** **St. Stephen's Day** (*the first Christian martyr*)
5:00 pm Candlelight Service at St. Stephen's
 Church in Tusket
- Dec. 30** **1st Sunday after Christmas**
10:00am Christmas Lessons and Carols
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