OCTOBER TO DECEMBER 2023

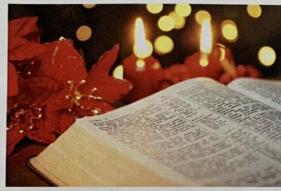
ST. LUKE'S PARISH

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St. Luke's, Hubbards St. Mark's, Mill Cove



He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest.

Parish Advent Letter

The season of Advent is upon us and as we prepare for Christmas, we look back upon this past year and look forward to the year to come. Normally, this Christmas letter is written by the parish priest, but with the resignation of Rev'd Taunya Dawson, this message is being turned over to myself and fellow warden. Wayne Dauphinee. We can only hope that we can do it justice. We want to thank Rev'd Taunya for all of her work this past year and a half and wish her and her family the best in the coming year.

As we reflect upon this past year, we are also very blessed to have had a wonderful ministry team to lead many of our services with great response. An addition to our services this year is the Café Church led by the ministry team once a month. Café Church is a very relaxed service in which refreshments are enjoyed during the service and interaction is encouraged. It's a great time of fellowship for all who attend. Wonderful examples of other outreach in our parish include the Two Coves Cafe every Thursday morning and programs such as the Mission to Seafarers (we provide Christmas boxes to those who are far away from their families working on the ships). So much thoughtfulness and care come from this great parish community. We are thankful for everyone who gives of themselves and celebrate the many hands that make light work!

A wonderful advent and Christmas season is now upon us. We are being joined by Rev'd Ann Turner for the season. She will be leading both Christmas Eve services: a family-friendly service at 4 pm and an all-ages service at 8 pm featuring St Luke's Christmas Choir (led by Carol and Donnie Webb). There will be a morning prayer service on Sunday, December 24th (Advent IV) at 10:45 am led by the ministry team.

Advent is a season of love, peace, forgiveness, and rebirth. We welcome all to worship with us and celebrate the birth of Jesus.

With many blessings,

Warden, Susan Aulenback Warden, Wayne Dauphinee



Two Coves Café hosted a Remembrance Program on November 9th. Brenda Munro MC'ed the program that included the "Act of Remembrance", readings, prayers, music by Shananigan and a singsong of old favourite songs from wartime. Two Coves provided coffee, juice and snacks. Special guests were the Grade 5/6 class from Shatford School.









Guest musician violinist Debbie Miles (daughter of church members Richard & Janet Miles) with Peter Grant (piano) at the Remembrance Day church service on November 12, 2023 at St. Luke's.





Above: Paul Hogue ~ Local Fabric Artist, Designer and Conservator has provided considerable assistance to St. Luke's Parish for his repair and restoration of the historic Chancel Rug. It was made by a team led by the late Sadie Dorey for St John the Baptist Church in Queensland and was donated to St Luke's by her daughters Marlene and Joan. Paul's work ensures this handiwork from a previous generation will be enjoyed for many years to come.





Above: The Hubbards Area Lions and St Luke's Outreach worked together to host an appreciation dinner for first responders from Hubbards and Black Point Fire Departments. Shown here are Jerry Cavanaugh, Mary Boulay, Jackie Snair, Clair McInnis and Carol Simms with members of the Lions team.

Left: Paula Bremner with some of her creations donated for the ACW Christmas Sale. The sale was held in the Parish Hall on November 25. Thanks to all who organized and worked the sale, those who baked and donated items and especially those who came and supported it.

Below: St Luke's Parish Licensed Lay Ministers around the LLM banner on display in our parish hall during Café Church on Reign of Christ Sunday. L to R: Jackie Snair, Lyda Miller, Brenda Munro, Shelly Hubley and Clair MacInnis.





Above: Greg Simms and Wayne Dauphinee pause after erecting the St Luke's nativity scene. It was lit up at the same time as the Gazebo and tree.

Below: Men of the parish, including, shown here, Brian Munro, Brandon Bremner, Wayne Dauphinee and Mike Myles, decorated the Annual Memory Tree at St Mark's Church. Not shown were Bill MacDonald and Gerald Bremner.

There were 340 ornaments on the tree, purchased by community members in memory of family and friends, all organized by Joanne Eldershaw with help from her husband Don and Judy Harnish. The tree was donated this year by Tom Ernst of Mahone Bay whose father was rector of this parish from 1927 to 1931. The memory tree service was held on November 26 as the last service in St Mark's for the year. The church will re-open with Holy Eucharist on Easter Sunday.





Above: Catherin Chandler pauses after decorating the parish sign with greenery from Bill MacDonald's cedars and Ned Norwood's holly. Thanks to Gerald and Brandon Bremner the sign is now lit up at night.

Below: The annual Gazebo Lighting was held on December 3. Sponsored by Hubbards Heritage Society it featured music by Amy and Jason, hot chocolate and a visit from Santa Claus who had candy canes for everyone. It was enjoyed by a great number of kids, parents, grandparents and friends.



UPCOMING

Christmas Eve Services
10:45 AM Said Morning Prayer
4:00 PM Family Service Holy Eucharist
8:00 PM Christmas Choir Holy Eucharist
December 31 Epiphany
10:45 AM Café Church

January 7, 2024
Winter Church begins in the Parish Hall
February 13, 2024
Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

