

<b>Upcoming Service December 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>On-Duty for December 18<sup>th</sup></b>
8:30 am Holy Eucharist	<b>Greeters:</b> Rhonda & Harold Noseworthy
11:00 am Holy Eucharist	<b>Sides Person Team: #3</b>
	<b>Counting Team: #3</b>
	<b>Altar Care Team: #1</b>

**Mission Statement**



“As Good Shepherds, we love God with all our hearts and we love our neighbours as ourselves as we reach out into our world in the name of Jesus Christ.”

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**The Church office will be closed over Christmas from December 24<sup>th</sup> and opening again Monday January 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Reading for Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>  
 Isaiah 7: 10-16  
 Psalm #80:1-7, 16-18  
 Romans 1: 1-7  
 Matthew 1:18-25

**Hearing Assist** is available for those with hearing difficulties. Pick up the hearing assist apparatus, plug the earphone connector to the box and insert the earphone in your ear. If you have your own earphones that you use with a phone or any other electronic device, feel free to use it with our hearing assist



**The Crozier**  
**The Parish of the Good Shepherd**  
 Anglican Church of Canada  
 Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland & Labrador  
**December 11<sup>th</sup> Bulletin**  
**The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent**  
**Candle Memorial in memory of**  
**Roland Miller**

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**Our Ministry to St. Luke’s Home.** This morning Archdeacon Charlene is conducting the Holy Eucharist at St. Luke’s Home. Parishes with multiple clergy on staff or parishes with honorary assistants are asked to take a turn sharing in the Sunday worship at St. Luke’s. As a parish, we are blessed to have honorary assistants that allow our Rector to share time in worship with our seniors at St. Luke’s.

**Parish E-mail List** Each Friday a parish e-mail is sent out listing the services for Sunday, parish news and upcoming events. If you would like to be added to this list, please email Paula at the office at [cotgs@nf.aibn.com](mailto:cotgs@nf.aibn.com)

**Weekly Reminders**

**Choir Practice** Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Children’s Choir 6:30 pm and Senior Choir at 7 pm

**Cornerstone’s Men’s Choir practise:** Monday December 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm

**Morning Fellowship Group** Thursday December 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am

**Men’s Fellowship Group:** Thursday December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm

**Parish News**

**29<sup>th</sup> Annual Char Dinner, Silent Auction & Dance Tickets are now available.** The dinner will be held at the Reid Center, Mount Pearl on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Tickets can be purchased by calling the office 747-1022. *These make a great Christmas present for anyone on your list!*

**Christmas Memorials** are a nice way to remember our loved ones during this holy season. Memorials can be made to our Building Fund, or CLAY (Youth Conference). If you would like your loved ones named in our Christmas bulletin please submit names no later than December 20<sup>th</sup>. Please specify where you want your donation used. **Church Calendars** are now available. \$5.00 each and can be picked up at the office. Call the office 747-1022.

**Christmas Outreach at the Good Shepherd:** This year we will be supporting **CHOICES FOR YOUTH** by collecting the following: Shampoo (travel size and regular size), soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, feminine hygiene products (tampons and pads), men's socks, hats & gloves, and small denomination gift cards (ex: \$5.00 Tim Horton's gift card) as these are given out on special occasions to youth who need an extra pick-me-up such as Christmas, Thanksgiving and Birthdays at the shelter. Since 1990 **Choices For Youth** has worked to empower at-risk-youth, believing that stable housing, employment and education are the three Key Life factors for independence and healthy transitions to adulthood.

**Your 2016 Financial Gifts** enables the growth and ministry of our parish. As we are quickly approaching the end of 2016 we remind you that all your offering given by December 31 will receive a tax receipt for the 2016 calendar year. Any offering received after December 31, 2016 will be receipted in 2017.

**2017 Envelopes** are available for pick up at the back of the church. They are listed in alphabetical order. If you are taking envelopes for the first time, please take a box without a name and complete the information sheet attached.

#### **Post- Christmas Recycling Can Help Our Youth**

Members of our youth group are attending a youth conference in Thunder Bay, ON 2018. We are asking parishioners to keep the recyclables gathered over the Christmas season and drop them off at the Church any Sunday in January.

**Children's Christmas Pageant & Family Service:**  
Sunday December 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am.

**Children's Christmas Pageant Rehearsal and Christmas Party,** Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 11am. If you have children interested in participating they are welcome to attend. Costumes will be provided.

#### *Christmas Services*

##### **Christmas Eve Services**

**4:00pm Children's Service** with Holy Eucharist (Book of Alternative Services) followed by fireworks and birthday cake for baby Jesus.

**7:00 pm Holy Eucharist** (Book of Alternative Services)

**11:00 pm Holy Eucharist** (Book of Common Prayer)

##### **Sunday, Christmas Day**

10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Book of Alternative Services)

**\*Please note the time change**

##### **Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup>**

8:30 am Holy Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer)

11:00 am Carols & Lessons with Holy Eucharist

#### *Community News*

**Operation Decoration** is collecting gently used and new Christmas trees and holiday decorations. Proceeds assist the Elaine Dobbin Center for Autism. Visit [www.facebook.com/operationdecoration](http://www.facebook.com/operationdecoration)

**Holiday Hosting Program:** Are you interested in hosting an International Student (or students) for Christmas Dinner this year? This wonderful program gives International students a chance to experience Christmas traditions here in Newfoundland. If you are interested, please email Memorial University's Internationalization Office for information and to apply: [mgo407@mun.ca](mailto:mgo407@mun.ca) or [jem107@mun.ca](mailto:jem107@mun.ca). The deadline to apply is December 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Bishop's New Years' Day Levee** You are warmly invited to attend the Bishop's New Years' Day Levee on **Sunday January 1, 2017** at the **Cathedral Crypt** beginning at **1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m.** Parking is available at the Cathedral Parking lot and entrance to the Levee is at the lower Parish Office Door to the Cathedral. **All are welcome!**