



St. Paul's

Anglican Church, Hampton

Growing Spiritually
+
Building Community

through Discipleship, Worship, + Service



I'm not much of a fisherman but from what I've seen, whether it's commercial fishing or sport fishing, for fishermen and fisherwomen fishing is never just a livelihood or a hobby. Fishing is a way of life for fisher folk. Fishing is its very own culture.

Culture, at its most basic level, is a combination of the shared assumptions, values and motivations of a community of people. Most of what a community of people do together is guided by their culture. And it's almost impossible for a community to accomplish anything that isn't part of their culture. A community can make very careful plans and bring together very capable people, but if their plans do not match up with their shared motivation and values most of their plans will go unfulfilled.

In our gospel reading this Sunday (Matthew 4:12-23) we're going to hear another story about Jesus calling some of his very first disciples, all of whom, according to Matthew, were fishermen. "Follow me," Jesus says to them, "and I will make you fishers of men [and women]."

Their new purpose, and their new culture, would now be centered on captivating people with the message of Jesus for the kingdom of God.

But Jesus isn't just trying to be clever. He isn't just trying to make a pun. Jesus is calling these fishermen into a whole new way of life, one with a completely different purpose and set of motivations and values than what they had known for most of their lives. Their common culture would no longer be centered around using nets to catch fish for the market.

At the end of this gospel passage we'll see Jesus carry on with his mission and his new followers through the ministries of teaching and healing. Later in Matthew we'll hear Jesus describing the other ministries that further the mission of his kingdom - things like peacemaking and the ministries of care and compassion for those in need. But at the centre of it all is the original call,

'fishing for people', or which Jesus describes at the end of Matthew as 'making disciples.'

And it's the same calling Jesus gives to those who follow him today. It's the same purpose around which our common life and culture as the Church is meant to be centred. Our shared values and motivations are all meant to be centred around work of making disciples of Jesus.

As we prepare to gather on Sunday, I invite you to think about the culture of our parish. Are the values and assumptions and passion we share (in other words our culture) centred around making and forming disciples of Jesus? Or is our culture as a parish centred around something else, and if it is, what changes might we need to make to bring our parish culture in line with Jesus' original call?



St Paul's Prayer Corner

† Gale A † Jackie Bettle † Don Buchanan † Della
Durelle † Loretta Derrah † Barb Glauser † Glenn
Hopey † Pat Keirstead † Donald Lamb † Dawn
Lent † Paul Robichaud † Sue Scribner † Erika Wisted

Parish Financial Report

January 15, 2017
(3 out of 52 Sundays Reported)

\$9,935.59 Offerings
\$9,592.85 Expenses

\$342.74 Deficit

Deficit Explanation:

- 1) Two stormy Sunday's has affected offerings
- 2) Funding for Children & Youth Ministry Coordinator position
- 3) Deacon Dan McMullen mileage support commitment

Winter Duty Schedule

We are looking for volunteers for all ministries during the winter Season Jan-Mar.

Roast Pork Dinner & Dessert

There is a sign-up chart of the back of the church, sign up online, or contact the church office to sign up.

Seniors' Supper and Service

Hampton United Church

Jan 28, 2017 4:00 pm

St. Paul's Anglican and Hampton United invite you to the Seniors' supper & service. "Let's Sing" a worship music group from Millstream will join us in song, worship and fellowship. Supper will be Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Vegetables and Delicious Dessert! Gluten free option is also provided!

Please RSVP by WEDNESDAY JANUARY 25th by calling 832-5050, so we know the amount of food to prepare!

As always, a suggested donation of \$5/person for the meal, is appreciated.

St Paul's Anglican Church

January 28, 2017

4:00 - 6:00 pm

Adults \$10.00

Child: \$5.00

Single Family \$25.00

All Funds in support of our Children & Youth Ministry.

Parish of Hampton

Annual Meeting

February 5

Immediately following the 10:00 am service

Bring a bagged lunch.

All are welcome to attend

Hampton Naturalist Club

Hampton NB has a lot to offer to those who enjoy getting out and exploring what nature has to offer. There is a Naturalist Group in Saint John and one in Sussex, but there wasn't one in Hampton. We are hoping to have monthly guest speakers to talk about different aspects of the Natural World as well as Field Trips, Outings and Adventures exploring the Beauty of that Natural World which is in our backyard.

We meet the 1st Tues of every month. The first meeting will Feb 7th.

Tuesday, Feb 7th

7pm-9pm

St Paul's Anglican Church

486 Kenebecasis Road, Hampton NB

So if you live near Hampton, you enjoy different aspects of the natural world, then I hope we see you. Feel free to message me if you're interested or have questions at paul66jmartin@gmail.com.

Winter Storm Policy

We are now into the winter months where it is likely we may have a snow storm occur where conditions are not favorable to hold the regular church services at the regular times. We want to make information accessible.

A decision will be made by noon on Saturday if the Sunday Services are to be cancelled and replaced with a Saturday service at 4:00 pm.

Alternatively, a decision will be made by 7:00 pm on Saturday if the Sunday morning Services are to be cancelled and replaced with a Sunday afternoon service at 4:00 pm.

Please check the following locations for information

1. Call the church and listen to the recorded message. 832-3375
2. Our Website www.stpaulshampton.ca
3. Our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/anglicanparishofhampton
4. An email will be issued to those who subscribe to our newsletter. Want to subscribe click go to our website and join using the subscribe button on the right hand side of the webpage

Please share the information with everyone you know who attends via the above methods or a phone call.

Upcoming Events & Schedules

Mission of the Month - Toonie Tin

Leprosy Mission of Canada

22 Jan - 9:00 & 10:30 am service

- 22 Jan – 6:30 pm Youth Group Gr 9-12
- 23 Jan – 6:00 pm Youth K-5 (Bloomfield)
- 23 Jan - 7:30 pm Youth Gr 6-8 (Bloomfield)
- 24 Jan – 10:00 am Bible Study
- 24 Jan - 7:30 pm Vestry
- 25 Jan - 6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
- 26 Jan – HMS baking (Michelle)
- 27 Jan - HMS Desserts (Jenny)
- 28 Jan - 4:00 pm Roast Pork Dinner
- 28 Jan - 4:00 pm Senior's Service (HUC)

29 Jan - 9:00 & 10:30 am service

- 29 Jan - 3:00 pm Celebration of Rev. Dan (Apohaqui)

- 29 Jan – 6:30 pm Youth Group Gr 9-12
- 30 Jan – 6:00 pm Youth K-5 (Bloomfield)
- 30 Jan - 7:30 pm Youth Gr 6-8 (Bloomfield)
- 31 Jan – 10:00 am Bible Study
- 1 Feb - HHS Lunch (Upham)
- 1 Feb - 6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
- 2 Feb – HMS baking (Myra & Dan)
- 3 Feb - HMS desserts (Pam)
- 4 Feb - 8:30 am Holy Joe's

5 Feb - 10:00 am service
Annual Meeting following service
Bring a bagged lunch.

- 5 Feb – 6:30 pm Youth Group Gr 9-12
- 5 Feb - 7:00 pm Mothers' Union
- 6 Feb – 6:00 pm Youth K-5 (Bloomfield)
- 6 Feb - 7:30 pm Youth Gr 6-8 (Bloomfield)
- 7 Feb – 10:00 am Bible Study
- 7 Feb - 7:00 pm Naturalist Club
- 8 Feb - 6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
- 9 Feb – HMS baking (Heather & David)
- 10 Feb - HMS desserts (Diana)

22 JAN

9:00 am HC BCP

Layreader: - - -

1 Cor. 1:10-18, Psalm 27: 1, 4-9

Reader: Lorraine

Isaiah 9:1-4

Greeters: Stan

Chancel: Jean / Shirley

Counters: Alice / - - -

22 JAN

10:30 am HC BAS

Layreader: Rod

Psalm 27: 1, 4-9

Reader: Shelby

Isaiah 9:1-4

Greeters: Nicky & Shelby

A/V: Elaine / Kevin

Sunday School: Diane / Alice

Youth SS: - - -

Nursery: Sabrina

29 JAN

9:00 am HC BCP

Layreader: Myra

1 Cor. 1:18-31, Psalm 15

Reader: - - -

Micah 6: 1-8

Greeters: - - -

29 JAN

10:30 am HC BAS

Layreader: Lorraine

Psalm 15

Reader: Stephen

Micah 6: 1-8

Greeters: Stephen & Barb

A/V: Elaine

Chancel: Pat / Barb
Counters: - - - / - - -

Sunday School: Jessie / - - -
Youth SS: Heather M
Nursery: Lois

5 Feb

Annual Meeting immediately following the service.

Bring a bagged lunch

10:00 am HC BAS

Layreader: Debbie

Psalm 112: 1-10

Reader: - - -

Isiah 58: 1-9a

Greeters: - - -

A/V: Elaine / - - -

Sunday School: Sheri / Kate

Youth SS: - - -

Nursery: Tim

Chancel: Shirley / Betty

Counters: - - - / - - -