

St. John's (Stone) Church

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30-11:30 am



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9:00 am – Holy Communion—Chancel

10:45 am – Mission Sunday—Epiphany 6

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP SET *Hosanna; Heart for the Nations; Give Me A Heart*

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

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PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON 1 Corinthians 3:1-9 - Debbie Collicott
(black NIV Bible, page 1194)

PSALM 119:1-8 (black NIV Bible, page 644)

THE HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 5:21-37 - Jan Lockett
(black NIV Bible, page 1011)

SERMON - Shiloh Peterson

SONG AFTER SERMON *How Can I Be Free From Sin*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Hear, O Israel* - page 53

OFFERINGS HYMN *In Christ There is No East or West*

TIME OF PRAYER AND INTERCESSION

Reader: Help us walk in your ways, Lord;

Response: for you are our life and health

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Almighty and everliving God, whose Son Jesus Christ healed the sick and restored them to wholeness of life, look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your power make whole all peoples and nations; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Prayer Chain: *Anthea Earle (652-6032) or bearlec603@rogers.com*

Anglican & Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Feb. 12: Lusaka (Central Africa), the Rt. Rev. David Njovu. Archbishop Fred Hiltz, Anglican Church of Canada. Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario, Archbishop Colin Johnson and the Provincial Council. Diocese of Ho, Bishop Matthias Medadues-Badohu. Diocese of Yukon, Old Crow: St. Luke's, the Rev. Bert Chestnut, the Rev. Marion Schafer, Esau Schafer and lay ministry team, Bishop Larry Robertson, Sheila & family. David, our Bishop, Claude, William, George and Harold, retired Bishops, and their families.

Prayers for the Churches in the Uptown Saint John area

Grace Presbyterian, Hope Community, Rooftop Community

Prayers for our Political Leaders

Our Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau; Premier, Brian Gallant; MP, Wayne Long; MLA, Ed Doherty; Mayor Don Darling and all those who work with them for the public good.

Prayers for the Sick & Shut-in

Edna Brewer, Rod Daley, Curtis, Rebecca & Susanne, George Eves, Pat Loring, Carol Wilson

(Please call Pam at the Office to include anyone who needs prayer for acute illness or those hospitalized. We must have permission from the individual to publish their name. Thank you.)

Pray for our new Canadian Families

Samir Ramadan, Wedad Ilias, Ruba Ramadan, Mohammad Ramadan, Maha Mara Touk, Samir Ramadan and baby Sam. Also Maha's family: Ghada Chems Alliden (mother), Omar Mara Touk (brother), Magham Girkas (sister-in-law) and their son Zyad (4).

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THIS WEEK IN THE UPTOWN
(the week of February 12-18, 2017)

Sun.	4:00 pm	Guest House - Church
Mon.	9:00 am 10:00 am 2:00 pm	Stone Wash - Laundry Room Street Hope Prayer & Study - Library Hearing God DVD Study - Vineyard Church
Tue.	9:00 am 10:00 am 12:30 pm 8:00 pm	Stone Wash - Laundry Room Street Hope Prayer & Study - Library Alpha - Stone Office Al-Anon - Library
Wed.	9:00 am 10:00 am 7:00 pm	Stone Wash - Laundry Room Street Hope Prayer & Study - Library Noticing God Book Study - Vineyard Church
Thu.	9:00 am 12:15 pm 2:00 pm 4:00 pm 5:30 pm	Stone Wash - Laundry Room Thursday Bible Study—Stone Church English Language Café — 2nd Floor, Trinity Centre Community Drop-in—Church Spaghetti & Western - Church
Fri.	9:00 am 3:00 pm 7:00 pm	Stone Wash - Laundry Room Ladies Craft Group—2nd Floor, Trinity Centre Street Hope Drop-in - Church
Sat.	8:00 am	Street Hope Fellowship Breakfast - Church

BLESSING

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CLOSING HYMN

They Will Know We Are Christians

DISMISSAL

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Lection Connection by Canon George Eves

With the people of Israel about to enter the Promised Land, Moses addresses the nation for the last time. In dramatic fashion he beseeches them to follow the ways of YAHWEH in order to be successful in the Land. It is up to them to choose: will it be life or death? It's that simple. The Psalmist affirms the delight in store for those who truly follow YAHWEH's commandments. He yearns for the ability to do so himself and realizes that his relationship with God is dependent upon his success. St. Paul laments that the divisions among the Corinthian church reveal their immaturity in Christ. They are more "of the flesh" than "of the spirit" when they align themselves with various leaders instead of realizing that all are merely servants of Christ. Each of us is to use our ability to build up the whole church. In the Gospel Jesus calls his church to a way of life that refuses to tolerate even the attitudes that lead to sinful action, not just sinful action itself. Anger and lustful thoughts are just as much the true enemies of our soul as the actual acts of murder and adultery to which they lead. To follow Jesus truly is a challenge to our usual way of thinking.

Welcome

We welcome Shiloh Peterson, Wycliffe Bible Translators as our guest speaker for our Mission Sunday service this morning. Shiloh is serving in a west Asian country learning the language and culture and building relationships.



Join us for tea & coffee following the service by the kitchen at the back of the church. All are welcome.

Coffee Hour Schedule

Today: George & Coralie Losier

Next Sunday: Debbie Collicott & Ruby Ranson

A Special Thanks to all who assisted with the Watoto Choir’s visit yesterday. To those who helped with set-up/clean-up, meal preparation and making the choir feel welcome we thank you. Blessings to you all.



Annual General Meeting

Stone Church will hold its Annual Meeting on Wednesday, February 22 at 7:00 pm at the church. Please pick up your copy of the Annual Report booklet which is located on the table in the hall. Vestry/ Synod nomination forms are also on the table in the hall.

Small Groups at Stone Church

Are you a member of a small group in the parish looking for new members? It would be great to know who are the leaders/contacts, when and where do you meet, what is the focus of your group, are you interested in having new members? It would be good to have groups to refer people to who are looking for fellowship, study, prayer groups. We would also like to make information available for our website and bulletin. Please forward information to Pam. If you are interested in joining an existing group or beginning a new group let Pam or John Paul know.

Volunteers Needed

Beth Lawson would love to have a couple of people from Stone Church who would be able to help clean-up following the Community Breakfast this Wednesday, February 15. If you could spare a hour or so of your time around 10:00 am then please contact Beth at 642-7348. Thanks for your assistance.

Leading From Here to There (DVD Leadership Study) begins Tuesday, February 21 from 7:00-8:30 pm at the Saint John Vineyard Church. This Bill Hybels bi-weekly study walks us through the core essentials of leading people from here to there. No matter where you are in your leadership development, you'll be able to apply this in your own leadership challenge. No book. No maximum group. No registration.

Job Opportunity

The Diocese has a full-time opening for a Personnel and Safe Church Officer. This position, located in Fredericton, will be responsible for all human resource, payroll and Safe Church administration. The full advertisement and job description can be viewed on the Diocesan website; closing date is Feb. 15. Applications can be sent to application@anglican.nb.ca

Threshold Ministries is looking for volunteers to help with the assembling of their next mailing. Help is needed on Wed., Feb. 15 from 1:30 pm on. So, grab a friend and come help us stuff, stamp and seal our new publication. Tea and coffee will be provided. Please let Bonnie Hunt know if you can help by calling 642-2210 ext. 227 or email community@thresholdministries.ca.

Memorial Cards are available for your convenience in placing memorials for your friends and loved ones. They are located on the table as you enter the church.

KV Memory Café

Make a date with family and friends to come and connect with others who share your experience of confusion or dementia. Diane O’Connor is an amazing speaker for “Go Ahead Seniors – Healthy Active Living Program for the 50 Plus”, and *Men in Music* will provide the entertainment. The Cafe offers delicious refreshments and there is no charge. Our next meeting is today from 2:00-4:00 pm at St. Paul's Anglican Church Hall, 4 Church Ave, Rothesay. For more information please contact Melanie at 634-8722 or email msaulnier@alzheimer.nb.ca

Our Envelope Offerings Last Week

	Regular	Missions
Budgeted	\$3,982.00	\$ 872.00
Actual	<u>2,442.00</u>	<u>548.00</u>
Shortfall/ Surplus	\$1,540.00	\$ 324.00