

St. Philip's Episcopal/Anglican Church

(The Diocese of Long Island)

The Reverend Carver W. Israel, Rector

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“The mission of Saint Philip’s Church is to be a loving, caring and faithful congregation that is diverse, embracing others and committed to community service.”

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Second Sunday of Advent

YEAR B- RITE II

Sunday, December 10, 2017

John called people to repent, to clear the decks, to completely reorder their lives so that nothing would get in the way of the Lord's coming. The reading from Isaiah gives the context for this radical call: the assurance of forgiveness that encourages us to repent;; the promise that the coming one will be gentle with the little ones. Isaiah calls us all to be Herald with John, to lift up our voices fearlessly and say, "see, your God is coming!" we say it to one another in worship., in order to say it with our lives in a world in need of justice and peace.

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE "O Food To Pilgrims Given" Opus 122 #3 Johannes Brahms

PROCESSIONAL "On Jordan's Bank The Baptist's Cry" HYMNAL#75

THE LIGHTING OF THE SECOND CANDLE OF ADVENT

Leader: Our God comes to live among us! Let us prepare to welcome Jesus, who came to show us the way to a new heaven and a new earth

All: **Help us, O God, to welcome Jesus, who makes all things new!**

Leader: We light this second candle as a sign of our desire to welcome Jesus into a community constituted by love, joy and a willingness to change in order to better reflect God's vision of a new heaven and a new earth. Help us to cooperate with you, our God, to create it.

(Two candles are lit this week. Pause for a moment of silence.)

Leader: Let us pray:

Loving God, we are in awe of the Gift you wish to send us, Jesus, the Son You love so much. Open our hearts and minds that we joyfully may create together a community of love to welcome him. As we prepare for his coming, may we draw on the hope you have given us of the new heavens and new earth he will make possible.

All: **Amen.**

All: **Let us go in joy and peace to love and serve our God. Let us strive for peace with each and every other. Let us be at peace within ourselves. Amen.**

ACCLAMATION

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Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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Celebrant: Let us pray.

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 40:1-11

In Grand, flowing, poetic lines, the prophet announces that the exile of God's people in Babylon is over. The Lord will deliver Israel and will care for her as a shepherd cares for his sheep. This word can be trusted because the only enduring reality in life is the word of the Lord. .

Reader: A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah [40:1-11]

O Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.' A voice says, Cry out!' And I said, 'What shall I cry?' All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings;* lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, 'Here is your God!' See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13 Benedixisti, Domine

- 1 You have been gracious to your land, O Lord, you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.
- 2 You have forgiven the iniquity of your people and blotted out all their sins.
- 8 I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

SECOND READING

2 Peter 3:8–15a

This short letter deals with pressings concerns regarding the final advent of Jesus, especially concerns that could arise over its apparent delay. The author of the letter calls on Christians to anticipate the promised coming of the Lord through conduct dedicated to God.

Reader: A Reading from the Second Letter of Peter [3:8-15a]

But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed. Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home. Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation. So also our beloved brother Paul wrote to you according to the wisdom given to him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL

“Prepare The Way, O Zion”

HYMNAL#65

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:1-8

The Gospel of Mark does not begin with a story of Jesus’ birth but with the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark [1:1-8]

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight" ', John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

Reader: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

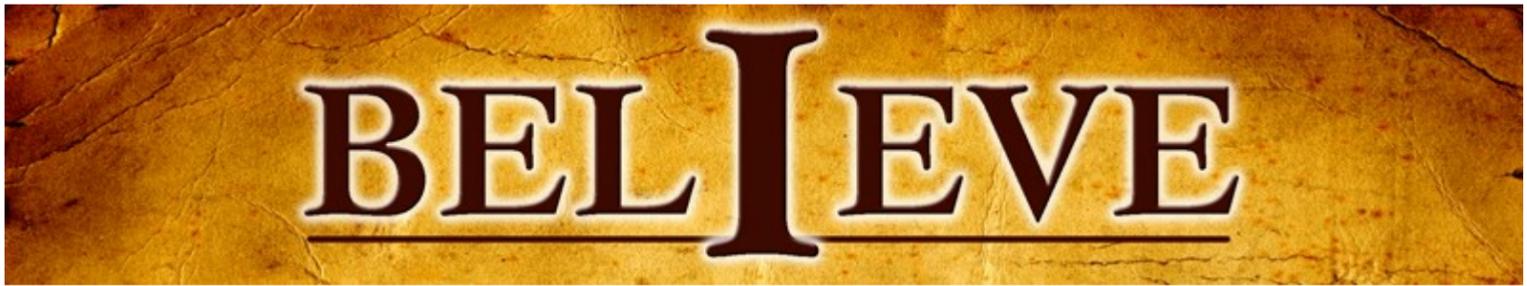
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen.*



THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: As we keep awake for the coming of the Lord, let us offer prayers to God who prepares a light for our path.

For the peace of the world, and for our unity in Christ.

People: Come, O Lord, and save us.

Leader: We pray for Michael, our presiding bishop, for Lawrence, our bishop, Carver, our priest, and all bishops, priests and deacons.

People: Come, O Lord, and save us.

Leader: For the church throughout the world and the faithful in every place.

People: Come, O Lord, and save us.

Leader: For the leaders of the nations and all in authority.

People: Come, O Lord, and save us.

Leader: For justice, peace and freedom among peoples of the earth.

People: Come, O Lord, and save us.

Leader: For travelers, for the sick and suffering, for the hungry and the oppressed, and for those in prison.

People: Come, O Lord, and save us.

Leader: For the dying and the dead

People: Come, O Lord, and save us.

Leader: For our deliverance from all afflictions, strife, and need.

People: Come, O Lord, and save us.

Leader: Joining our voices with the Blessed Virgin Mary and with all the saints and angels, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. **To you, O Lord.**

Celebrant: God of the ages, who reconciles all things to yourself in Christ, hear the prayers we of this day and remember us in your kingdom: through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

O rising Sun. brightness of light eternal, sun of justice, come and shine on those who is in darkness and the shadow of death, Glory to you for ever. **Amen**



THE CONFESSION

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The Celebrant then says: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People:

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
To the glory of your Name. Amen.

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM “Daughter Of Zion”

Joseph W. Clokey

THE DOXOLOGY

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (II) Eucharistic Prayer B

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In this prayer, the lines in **BOLD** are spoken by the People.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts

People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

Celebrant:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant & People:

HYMNAL #S-130

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The people stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant & People:

We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.

Celebrant:

And we offer this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that

heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Sung)*

LEVAS #264

Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

HYMNAL #S-152

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast.

AGNUS DEI

HYMNAL # S-164

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
Have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
Grant us peace.

THE COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN "O Food To Pilgrims Given"
"Once He Came In Blessing"

HYMNAL #309

HYMNAL #53

Recitative

"Then Shall The Eyes Of The Blind Be Opened "

Arias

"He shall feed his flock - Come unto Him {Messiah} George Frideric Handel
Monica Sylvester, contralto Claire Nicholls, soprano

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us Pray

Celebrant & People:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

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THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RECESSIONAL

“We're Marching To Zion”

LEVAS#12

DISMISSAL

POSTLUDE

“O Food To Pilgrims Given” Opus 122,#11

Johannes Brahms



TODAY'S LAY LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

		<u>Old</u> <u>Testament</u>	<u>Psalm</u>	<u>New</u> <u>Testament</u>	<u>Prayers</u>
LECTORS:	9:30am	Solomon Leibowitz	Choir	Wayne Gregory	Brunetta Rene
L.E.M:	9:30am	Selvena Mosley	Brunetta Mosley		
ACOLYTES:	9:30am	M.C.: Corey Adams Crucifer: Marlon Browne Torch Bearers: Kayene Lelitte and Zindzele Lelitte Gospel Book: Tracy Glover			

TODAY'S USHERS

9:30am Sylvia Williams, Vietta Moore, George Findlay, Geri Bell,
Simeon Layne, Julia Brathwaite

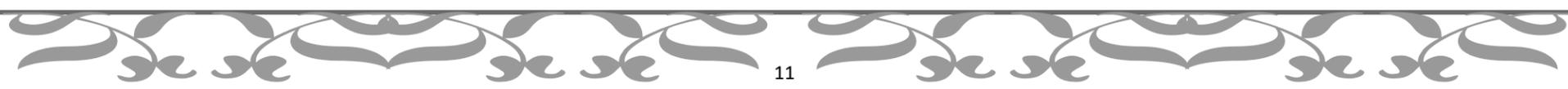
NEXT SUNDAY'S LESSONS: Dec. 1th (Third Sunday of Advent); YEAR B

Collect 160; Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11; Psalm 126; 1 Thess. 5:16-24; John 1:6-8,19-28

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer



St. Mary's, Amityville	December 10
Christ Church, Babylon	December 11
St. Peter's, Bay Shore	December 12
Christ Church, Bellport	December 13
Christ Church, Brentwood	December 14
St. Ann's, Bridgehampton	December 15
St. James', Brookhaven	December 16





“A PRAYER OF FAITH”

www.adailyprayer.wordpress.com

Here’s a common prayer that expresses faith in God’s plan of salvation through Jesus Christ. If you have not done so already, I urge you to pray this prayer from your heart today.

Prayer of Faith: “Lord Jesus, I confess that I am a sinner. I believe that You came to this earth and died on the cross as a substitute for me and my sin. I place my faith in You and what You have done for me. I receive You into my life and choose this day to follow You and serve You all the days of my life. Thank You for hearing my prayer. I will look to the Bible and find out what Your purpose is for my life. Amen.”

BREAD AND WINE FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

- ♥ Given by the Glover family in loving memory of the birthdays of Kirk Glover (12/4), Gloria Walkes-Ashby (12/4), Harry Walkes (12/27), Michael Walkes (12/27), Evelyn Price (12/28), and Elise Miller (12/31).
- ♥ Given by the Glover family in Thanksgiving for the birthdays of Isola Phillips (12/5), Kyra Bailey (12/8), Julia Brathwaite (12/10), Yvette Bailey (12/12), Adrienne Jackson (12/13), Imani Bailey (12/14), Tracey Glover (12/15), Marina Green (12/21), Jerome Perkins (12/24), Evelyn Batten Bryant (12/26), and Tanya Hatcher (12/26).

SANCTUARY LIGHTS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

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BIRTHDAYS

- ♥ Given by Lolita Straker, Joan E. Archer, Joan Johnson, and Paulette Small

ALTAR MEMORIALS

- ♥ Given by Mr. Aubrey Maynard in memory of Mrs. Audrey Jones Maynard—President of the Harvest Committee & President of the African Diaspora. Mrs. Millicent Jones—Member of July Birthday Club and in Thanksgiving for all their Grandson and Son have accomplished.

ALTAR MEMORIALS SUBMISSION FORM

Please use only this form and space provided for all Altar Memorials and submit to the Altar Guild Director. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

MONTH IN WHICH MEMORIAL SHOULD APPEAR: _____

PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE ITEM: _____

Altar Flowers Weekly: \$100.00 (50.00/vase) Total: _____

Sanctuary Lights for the month: \$20.00 Total: _____

Bread and Wine for the month: \$20.00 Total: _____

TOTAL AMOUNT RECEIVED: _____

GIVEN BY: _____

IN MEMORY OF: _____

IN THANKSGIVING FOR: _____

REQUEST RECEIVED BY: _____

ST. PHILIP'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

POINSETTIA MEMORIALS

Given in loving memory of:

1. _____

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4. _____

5. _____

Given by: _____

DONATION: \$10.00

PLEASE SUBMIT BY DECEMBER 17, 2017

REGULAR MEETING CALENDAR

VESTRY	2 nd Monday	6:30PM
ACOLYTYES	2 nd Sunday	11:30AM
<i>(Except July & Aug.)</i>		
ST. PHILIP'S CHOIR REHEARSAL	Sundays	12:00PM
ARCHIVES COMMITTEE	4 th Wednesday	10:45AM
B.O.S.A.	1 st Saturday	9:00AM
BIBLE STUDY	Sundays	8:15AM
BOY SCOUTS	Tuesdays	6:30PM
BUDGET & FINANCE	Last Tuesday	6:00PM
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	2 nd Tuesday	4:00PM
E.C.W.	3 rd Sunday	12:15PM
GIRL SCOUTS	Saturdays	1:00PM
HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL (HBC)	1 st & 3 rd Thursdays	6:00PM
PASTORAL CARE	2 nd Sunday*	11:30AM
EVANGELISM COMMITTEE	2 nd Sunday++	
PROPERTY	1 st Wednesday	7:00PM
PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE	3 rd Sunday	TBA
S.T.A.N.D. Youth & Young Adult Ministry	1 st Sunday	12:00PM
ST. PHILIP'S BOOK CLUB	4 th Saturday	4:30PM
VACATION COMMITTEE	2 ND Sunday	11:30AM
WALKING CLUB	Saturdays**	9:00AM
		** <i>(May-Nov)</i>
STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE	2 ND Sunday	9:00AM
WOMEN'S GUILD	1 st Sunday	11:30AM
WORSHIP COMMITTEE	4 th Sunday	TBD
UNION OF BLACK EPISCOPALIANS	3 rd Saturday***	12:00PM

****(Except Dec., Apr., July & Aug.)*

USHER COMMITTEE	4 th Sunday****	11:30AM
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*****(Mar., Jun., Sept. & Dec.)*

**(Except July & Aug.)*

++ *Every other month*

MEMBERS OF THE VESTRY

Senior Warden	Ms. Wendy P. Malliet	2017
Junior Warden:	Ms. Patricia Moorehead	2018
Clerk:	Ms. Adrian Simmons	2018
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Assistant Treasurer:	Ms. Jemma King	2017
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Mrs. Susan Ransom	2018	Mr. Lawrence Trotman 2017

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Parish Secretary, Carol Glasgow

Mr. Keith Gauntlett, Sexton

Mr. Paris Stokes, Sexton

The Ministers of Jesus Christ

The Priest and People of St. Philip's, Including:

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Altar Guild Director	Ms. Adrienne Jackson
BOSA/Crusaders Guild	Mr. Peter Holmes
Acolyte Master	Mr. Corey Adams
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