



Above, a recent meeting of the Monday Bible Study group.
Below, some of the decorating team at work. Thanks!



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The Reflector

December 2022

Reflecting the life of First Baptist Church Amherst



The church time of **Advent**, **Christmas**, and **Epiphany** has begun! In this month's edition, the coming of Christ takes centre stage, with past, present & future events.



Noontime Noels

Three noontimes in December, we will enjoy a mini concert of festive music, and sing a few carols. Drop in to the Church at 12; some light refreshments to drink will be provided in the Vestry.

Wed, Dec 7 Liz O'Donoghue

Wed, Dec 14 Jason Morrison

Thrs, Dec 21 Kevin Dupuis

Let Your Light Shine

is happening again in our church this Advent & Christmas Season. You may purchase a white light [\$ 10 each] or a gold light [\$20 each], a white candelabra [\$50] or a gold candelabra [\$ 100]. The candles will shine from our church windows "In Honour of" or "In Memory of" a friend or relative. A leaflet with all the names will be printed in the extra Christmas Eve bulletin. The last day to purchase candles is December 18th.



How wonderful it was to celebrate and thank **Jimmy Murphy** for his 21 years of faithful service, plus all the help he has been to everyone. Among the speeches, Jimmy's was great: "Thank you."

From the Archives

THE REFLECTOR

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Editorials

The pastor is back from his brief outing in time to say a word or two before Reflector appears, and that means that nearly all of the work of this number has been done by Mr Huntley.

And first, he has had a very restful time, and he *did rest* too, refusing five invitations to preach.

Now the Winter's work comes on and let all take hold and make it work and not play, work for the *Master*, work for our *Church* and work to *win men*.

Temperance Day was observed by our Church and earnest words were spoken.

We can not let this opportunity pass to speak a word of regret at the departure of Alfred Porteous. We shall miss his genial presence, he was always so ready to help. We wish him large success in his new home.

Although home but a few hours the pastor has heard from more than one to the effect that the services of our Assistant on Sunday the 9th were very acceptable to all.

always, did the strong feature of Christie (aside from vice) doubly contribute to the entire entertainment of the children for the reading from the book of Sackville.

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While absent thought of the people's society even longed that might come to the measure of the I know more than for soul saving.

Surely we must

Longest Night Service

Longest Night Service – a service for those who find Christmastime difficult. Christmas isn't always merry for everyone. Sometimes this time of year is the most difficult to be in. Join us at **Christ Church Anglican on December 22 at 7:00 pm** for a short service of music and quiet reflection. We'll have candles to light in memory of those we miss, and space for all the things you're feeling.

The next edition of *The Reflector* : January 8th.

Christmas Caroling

Let's go Tuesday evening, Dec. 20th, driving around the community to sing. Rev. Jeff will lead the way. Meet in the church parking lot out back at 6 pm.



Church Family Turkey Dinner

After service on Dec. 18th we enjoy a festive feast together, downstairs in the Christie Room.



Volunteers Needed! We are looking for volunteers to help. We will need helpers for preparing food on Saturday (10:00 am) and also for Sunday. If you are interested in helping out, please sign up on the sheet posted on the office door.



First Baptist hikers and friends at Amherst Point Migratory Bird Sanctuary, enjoyed the trees & the birds.

Mmm, breakfast at First Baptist!



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
27 November 10:00 Choir 10:30 Worship: 1st Sunday of Advent (Hanging of the Greens)	28	29 7:00 CELL	30 9:30 Staff Meeting	1 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	2	3 7:00 Rachel MacLean in Concert
4 10:00 Choir 10:30 Worship: 2nd Sunday of Advent	5 6:30 Bible Basics	6 7:00 Board of Christian Ed. 7:00 CELL	7 9:30 Staff Meeting 12:00 Noon Noels	8 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	9	10
11 10:00 Choir 10:30 Worship: 3rd Ad	12 10:00 White Birches choir practice 6:30 Bible Basics	13 7:00 Board of Management 7:00 CELL	14 10:15 Vic. Manor & North. Hall services 12:00 Noon Noels 3:00 Staff Meeting	15 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	16 8:30-3:00 COVID booster clinic	17
18 10:00 Choir 10:30 Worship: 4th Ad 12:00 Turkey Dinner	19	20 6:00 Caroling in the community	21 9:30 Staff Meeting	22 12:00 Noon Noels 7:00 Choir Rehearsal 7:00 'Longest Night' Service, Christ Ch.	23	24 7 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship
25 Christmas Day (no service)	26 Offices closed	27 Offices closed	28 Offices closed	29	30	31 New Year's Eve