

THE PARISH LIGHT

The Parish of the Northern Lights Newsletter – October 2016



GOOD NEIGHBOR RECIPE

- 1 Tongue that does not slander
- 1 Mind full of tolerance
- 2 Ears closed to gossip
- 2 Eyes overlooking other's faults
- 1 Heart generous and kind
- 2 Hands extended to help others
- 1 Dash of wit, smiles, sunny disposition and
Cheerfulness

Blend together these ingredients.

Form into one being.

Serve generous portions to everyone you meet.



A Precious Friend

I think that God will never send
A gift so precious as a friend;
A friend who always understands
And fills each need as it demands;
Whose loyalty will stand the test,
When skies are bright or overcast;
Who sees the faults that merit blame.
But keeps on loving just the same;
Who does far more than creeds could do
To make us good, to make us true,
Earth's gifts a sweet enjoyment lend
But only God can give a friend.

—Rosalie Carter



I Am One

I am only one, but I am one:

I cannot do everything, but I can do something.

What I can do, I ought to do;

And what I ought to do, by the grace of God, I will.



Holy Hotlines:

ring up these scriptures,
lines are open 24/7

Worry Hotline.....1 Peter 5:7
Fear Hotline..... Isaiah 41:10
Temptation Hotline.....1 Corinthians 10:13
Doubt Hotline..... Romans 10:17
Suicide Hotline..... John 10:10
Sickness Hotline..... Isaiah 53:5
Depression Hotline..... Psalm 34:18
Loneliness Hotline..... Deuteronomy 31:8

(if those don't work call on God,
♥ He always answers)

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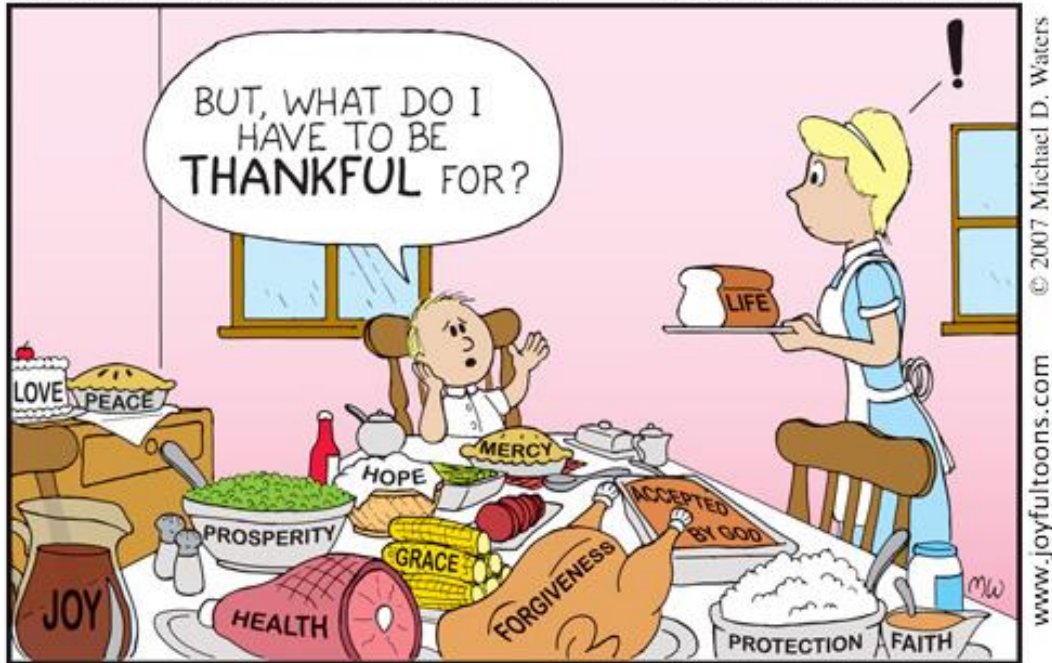
THREE GOOD REASONS TO SERVE YOUR CHURCH

Before you say no when asked to take a job in your church, think about some reasons why you should say yes. There are at least three good reasons why every Christian ought to **serve his church**.

1. Your Christian life needs a service outlet. Nothing helps you to grow as a Christian like putting your faith into practice by teaching, singing, ushering or serving on a church committee.
2. You have a testimony to share with others. The reason why you are asked to serve is that your fellow Christians have confidence in you and your ability. Your Christian testimony will be a good influence in the lives of those whom you lead and serve.
3. Your church needs you. There is no way for our church to get its work done unless members volunteer their time. When you accept a place of responsibility, you help your church move forward in the name of Christ.

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



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Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits—
— PSALM 103:2 NIV

When Ears won't hear

I went downtown shopping for designer sheets when someone whispered, "I have no bed."

I stood at an appliance store comparing prices of micro-wave ovens when an Ethiopian woman wept, "I have no food."

I hired a decorator to remodel my kitchen and to add more cupboards, when a Cambodian child sobbed, "I have no cup."

I dreamed of building a getaway place, a cabin in the woods, a country place. Across the water came the cry, "I have no country."

I bought a new widescreen TV for a loved one's pleasure when a war orphan murmured, "I have no loved ones."

May God forgive us when our ears won't hear; our eyes won't see the sounds and sights of the suffering around us.

Amen



What?!? 7 out of 10
Commandments isn't passing?



Fall Supper – St Paul's Anglican Church, Boyle

Friday, October 14th from 5:00 – 8:00 pm

Boyle Community Centre



- Bible Study October 4th at 7:00 pm at Bill & Cathie Creaser's home in Athabasca. The study is from Galatians called "Why God Accepts Us". If you are interested in joining the small group, please contact Cathy at 780-327-9975

- Coffee time and Fellowship at St Andrew's Zion ~ October 6th and 20th. Join us for some interesting fellowship!



This group performed at the Youth Conference this year and have consented to come to perform In Athabasca. They got rave reviews! Join us in attending this great performance by a very talented Christian group. You will go away blessed!

Antiques Road Show & Silent Auction

October 20th ~ 9:30 am to 4:30 pm at the Athabasca Senior Centre

Lunch available - \$15.00

Sponsored by the Syrian Refugee Group

Discovering The Power of God's Love

October 21st to 23rd ~ Slave Lake Inn, Slave Lake

Guest Speakers: Archbishop Gregory Kerr-Wilson, Bishop Fraser Lawton,

and Bishop Wilson Kamani, Ibba, South Sudan

\$100.00, includes Saturday Lunch & Dinner

Registration forms available in your parish

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Rev. Greenwood will be in the Parish from Thursday evening until Sunday evenings.

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Thank You, Lord

Just this once, Lord, I want to come to you with no problems, but simply to say, Thank You:

For your forgiveness when I fail

For the sheer joy of sleep when I'm terribly tired

For the silent strength of humility when pride overtakes me

For the justice of your laws when men are cruel

For the remedies for sickness when I am ill

For the simplicity of orderliness when I face confusion

For the assurance that you have made a place especially for me
when I feel inadequate among my peers

For the joy of helping others when I see people in need

For the earthly evidences of your will when I'm trying to find out
what life is all about

For the reality of your world, when I stray too far into fantasy

For the rightness of reasonableness when I panic too quickly

For the fun that refreshes when everything gets too serious

For the renewal in moments of silence when I'm dizzy being busy
in a hectic world.

Thank you, Lord, for all these things. But most of all, thank you
for your abiding presence that makes every day I live a day of
thanks.