



St. John's Anglican Church

Lunenburg, Nova Scotia

Rector: Archdeacon Michael H. Mitchell

*To all who mourn or need comfort,
To all who are weary and need rest,
To all who seek friendship,
To all who desire to grow in relationship with God
To all who yearn to pray,
To all who need a Saviour, And to all whoever will worship,
This Church of St. John's opens wide its doors
and in the name of Christ our Lord, says - WELCOME.*

Heritage Faith Vision
St. John's - A National Historic Site - Founded 1753

Rector's Message



Welcome to St. John's. As this Sunday is close to Remembrance Day, we pause to remember those Canadians in arms who fought for our freedom and liberty and who lost their lives in various conflicts throughout the years. We give thanks for their dedication and self sacrifice. We also continue to pray for all members of Canada's Armed Forces at home and abroad to help ensure our liberties and freedoms. May each of us in our own lives continue to be peacemakers to those around us.

Jesus tells a parable in today's Gospel about bridesmaids at a wedding. At first glance, it may not seem to relate to us. However, like every parable of Jesus, there are deeper truths to discover. Every Christian is called to be a lamp-carrier— a bearer of the light of Christ to a darkened world. Sometimes, like the foolish bridesmaids, we allow the precious light of Christ to grow dim. If that happens, we can rekindle and grow the light by gathering for Sunday worship, with daily prayer and a genuine service of our neighbour and those in need. Have a wonderful week.

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LAY MINISTERS TODAY
Lay Readers: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer
10:30 am Heather Hyson, Sheila Morris, Velvet Eliuk
Lectors: 8:30 am Ben Smith, Gill Osmond
10:30am Sharon Green, Lillian Keeping; **Server:** Aisling Curtin
Sidespersons: Sharon & Alex Green

NEXT SUNDAY NOVEMBER 16TH
Lay Readers: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer
10:30 am Velvet Eliuk, Roger Demone, Susan MacMillan
Lectors: 8:30 am Roxie Smith, Linda Macdonald
10:30 am Bruce Holdbrook, Heather Hyson; **Server:** Aisling Curtin
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The Holy Eucharist

Tilley Setting

Prelude: Nimrod - Elgar/arr. Harris

Welcome

The Gathering of the Community

Please stand for Processional Hymn

Hymn #576 'For the Healing of the Nations'

Laying of the Wreath - Hewitt Hardiman, President,
Royal Canadian Legion, Lunenburg

The National Anthem 'O Canada' #659 - English and French

Greeting

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

All **And also with you.**

All Almighty God,
**to you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
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.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray. *Silence is kept. The celebrant then says the collect.*

God of the living, we believe that you are a God of love that is stronger than death. Your Son Jesus Christ, born as one of us, destroyed death for ever. Let all the faithful departed live in the security of your love. Let them enjoy your everlasting peace, and give to us the courage to face life and to live it in close union with your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JOSHUA

Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many. Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God." But Joshua said to the people, "You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good." And the people said to Joshua, "No, we will serve the Lord!" Then Joshua said to the people, "You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him." And they said, "We are witnesses." He said, "Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel." The people said to Joshua, "The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey." So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at Shechem. JOSHUA 24:1-3A, 14-25
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 78:1-7 REFRAIN

Forget not the deeds of God, but keep his commandments.

Hear my teaching, O my people; incline your ears to the words of my mouth. I will open my mouth in a parable; I will declare the mysteries of ancient times. That which we have heard and known, and what our forefathers have told us, we will not hide from their children. We will recount to generations to come the praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, and the wonderful works he has done. **R**

He gave his decrees to Jacob and established a law for Israel, which he commanded them to teach their children; That the generations to come might know, and the children yet unborn; that they in their turn might tell it to their children; So that they might put their trust in God, and not forget the deeds of God, but keep his commandments. **R**

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE THESSALONIANS

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** I THESSALONIANS 4:13-18

Gospel Procession #555 'O God of Bethel, By Whose Hand'

Reader The Lord be with you. People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**



Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into

the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour." The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.** MATT 25:1-13

Sermon

Rev. Louis Quennelle

The Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers of the People *Please kneel or sit for the prayers.*
Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for Bermuda (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury) The Rt Revd Nicholas Dill.

Diocesan Cycle: Pray for Veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces and the Ministry of Armed Forces Chaplains. We remember this day the Anglican Priests who serve their country for our Diocese: Capt. the Rev'd Leonard Bednar, LCdr. (Retired) the Rev'd Andrew Cooke and Valerie, Capt. the Rev'd Jim McCorrison, LCol. The Rev'd Canon Todd Meaker and Theresa, Capt. (Retired) the Rev'd Bruce Murray, Lt.(N) the Rev'd Robert Parker and Rachael, LCol. (Retired) the Rev'd Canon Dr. Gary Thorne and Sandra.

Local Ministerial: The Congregation of St. Norbert's Roman Catholic Church and Father James MacDonald, OMI.

Fisheries: Adams & Knickle - **Chockle Cap**; **Joides Resolution**; Clearwater - **Atlantic Protector**.

Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
God welcomes sinners and invites them to the table.
Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Most merciful God,

All 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 neighbours 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.**

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon + and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Peace *All stand, and the celebrant addresses the people.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.** *We greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

Choir Anthem - In Flanders Field - Alexander Tilley
(words - John McCrae)

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Preparation of the Gifts

Offertory Hymn #388 'Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken'

Representatives of the parish present the gifts of bread and wine for the Eucharist. Each one as they are able, makes an offering to the Lord for the needs and responsibilities of the Church to be placed on the altar.

The Prayer Over The Gifts *Read by celebrant*

Lord our God, we entrust into your hands our life and our death.
Give us your life-giving bread and the wine of loyalty to your covenant,
that by their power we may overcome death and live for life, and may
we join those who have gone before us in faith, through Jesus Christ,
your Son and our risen Lord forever. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer 2

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth; we give you
thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, whose victorious rising
from the dead has given to us the hope of resurrection and the promise of
eternal life. Therefore we praise you Lord, with all the angels in their song
of joy:

**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. Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed are you, Lord our God, for sending us Jesus, the Christ, who on
the night he was handed over to suffering and death, took bread, said the
blessing, broke the bread, gave it to his friends, and said, "Take this, and eat
it: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup of wine; he gave you
thanks, 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."

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Gracious God, we recall the death of your Son Jesus Christ, we proclaim
his resurrection and ascension, and we look with expectation for his coming
as Lord of all the nations. We who have been redeemed by him, and made a
new people by water and the Spirit, now bring you these gifts. Send your
Holy Spirit upon us and upon this offering of your Church, that we who eat
and drink at this holy table may share the divine life of Christ our Lord.

Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth into your
kingdom, where peace and justice are revealed, that we, with all your
people, of every language, race, and nation, may share the banquet you
have promised; through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, all honour and
glory are yours, creator of all. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the consecrated bread for distribution, and says:

"I am the bread which has come down from heaven," says the Lord.

All **Give us this bread for ever.**

"I am the vine, you are the branches."

All **May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.**

The celebrant invites the people to share in communion and may say,

The gifts of God for the People of God.

All **Thanks be to God.**

The Communion

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 your peace.

Communion Hymn #57 'Thou Who at Thy First Eucharist'

Children's Time and Music Moment

Give Me Oil in My Lamp

Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning
Give me oil in my lamp, I pray.
Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning.
Keep me burning till the break of day.

**Sing hosanna, sing hosanna,
sing hosanna to the King of kings!**

Sing hosanna, sing hosanna, sing hosanna to the King!

Announcements

Prayer After Communion

God our Father, we thank you for calling all of us to live forever in your friendship and for the unending happiness of the saints who live in your joy. Accept our thanks through your risen Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord for ever. **Amen.**

Doxology

Glory to God
**whose power working in us
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.**
**Glory to God, from generation to generation,
in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

Blessing & Sending Out

As Christ welcomes us and serves us,
so may we always welcome others and be ready to serve in his name,
and may the blessing of God almighty, Father + Son, and Holy Spirit be
with you now and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn #505 'Be Thou My Vision'

Postlude: *Fantasia in G minor* - J.S. Bach

IN LOVING MEMORY

*This Edition of the Parish Bulletin
is in Loving Memory of
Shirley Woods
from **Sandra and Family***



*We celebrate his memory and rejoice in the knowledge
that he is at peace with the Lord, yet ever close to us.*

NOTICES

Congratulations to the Following Couples Married at St. John's During 2014

*Beverley Ware & Darrell Kays, Michaela Pittman and Peter Kalliecharan,
Crystal Harris and Stephen O'Rourke, Laura Kayser and Kyle Ricketts,
Shana Cail and Alexandre Daigle, Tiffanie Demone and Anuk Karunaratne,
Amanda Sweeny and Jason Rose, Brittany Osbourne and Jeremy Harding.*
We wish God's blessings on these couples.

The **Fall Congregational Meeting** is scheduled for today following the 10:30 a.m. service in the Parish Hall. An informal and informative, but short, meeting - with updates on Parish activities, including finances, property, music, the tourist season, SafeR Church, Re-imagining Church - and more! Tea/coffee will be available.

SCHNITZEL NACHT AT ST. JOHN'S

Join us for our 2nd Schnitzel Nacht on November 23 4:30pm - 6:30pm. The meal will be prepared under the direction of Master Chef Konrad Haumering. The menu includes Pork Schnitzel and Bratwurst Sausage, Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy. There will be a variety of delicious desserts. Take Outs are available. Adults \$20, children under 12 \$10. Tickets at the Parish Office or after worship Sunday morning.

LUNENBURG INTER-CHURCH FOOD BANK

The trawl tubs at the entrance of the church are our Food Bank containers. Please be generous and bring your donations of food or money (Income Tax Receipt issued for monetary donations). **Food Bank donations may be placed in the church any time.**

RE-IMAGINING CHURCH

Come out and enjoy a cup of coffee, treats and some excellent conversation about Exploring Fresh Ideas for Living the Christian Faith. Re-Imagining Church helps us to look at the world around us and explore how the Church and Christians can respond to the needs we see. We're meeting at The Savvy Sailor Restaurant -100 Montague St. on Tuesdays from 3:00 - 4:30pm. Continuing for 3 Tuesdays yet. Everyone is welcome – bring along a friend. See you there.

MISSION TO SEAFARERS - CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX PROGRAM

Once again this year the Mission to Seafarers is running its Christmas Shoe Box Program. Last year we sent many boxes from St. John's and hope to do so again this year. As a reminder, the box contains any two or three of: socks, toques, mitts, scarf; two personal care items: after shave, hand lotion, shaving lather, razors, tooth paste & brushes; letter paper, envelopes (unstamped) and pens; hard candy; small souvenir of Nova Scotia; Christmas card with the sender's name and address. **Deadline for boxes to be received at the church or Parish Office is Dec. 7th.**

ADVENT NEWSLETTER DEADLINES

Please send your submissions for the Advent Newsletter to Brian Kenefick cynffig@eastlink.ca by November 17th.

Calendars are available from Hazel Oliver. Cost is \$5.00.

Ten Thousand Villages is coming to Bridgewater. Days Inn is hosting a sale of beautiful, fairly-traded gifts benefiting artisans from more than 30 Developing countries. Ten Thousand Villages is a project of Mennonite Central Committee, the outreach arm of the Mennonite and Brethren in Christ churches in North America. Date & Time: Saturday Nov 22, Days Inn: 10:am to 5:pm.

"A Tapestry of Bells" - an evening of light entertainment provided by the handbell choirs from Central United, Lunenburg and St. John's Lutheran Church, Mahone Bay. Tea/coffee and cookies provided. Lovely desserts for silent auction. Freewill offering. Sunday, November 16th at 7:00 pm at Central United Church Hall, Lunenburg (entrance from Lincoln St.) Proceeds from the evening go towards the recent purchase of handbells at Central United.

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