



Rector's Message

Welcome everyone! Throughout the Church this Sunday, we are giving thanks for all who respond to God's call to ministry in the church and in the world. It is an opportunity to reflect upon the call we have received through Baptism to love the Lord and one another and to serve the Lord in each other every day of our lives.

Ministry belongs to the 'Whole People of God' through Baptism, yet each of us has particular gifts and skills that we bring to our daily lives. Jesus recognized gifts and skills in Peter and Andrew. He called them by name and invited them to follow him. It meant that they had to make significant

changes in their lives, in fact, they gave up their previous work to become disciples and eventually, apostle for Christ. So too, in our lives, God's call often means taking a close look at who we are and what we are doing. At times, this can mean taking a new direction or path as we follow him.

God always gives grace and strength to those whom God calls. We are never alone, but like the disciples, we have a community gathered around Christ where we worship and praise God, and where we gather strength and insight.

God bless you and have a great week.

Fr. Michael

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.*

LAY MINISTERS TODAY

Lay Readers: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer
10:30 am Sharon Green, Sheila Morris, Robert MacMillan
Lectors: 8:30 am Laura Roblee, Carolyn Hogg
10:30am Sunday School; **Server:** Aisling Curtin
Sidespersons: Hazel Oliver, Susan MacMillan

LAY MINISTERS NEXT SUNDAY FEBRUARY 2ND

Lay Readers: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer
10:30 am Susan MacMillan, Holly Mitchell, Charlene Demone
Lectors: 8:30 am Christina Pottie, Maureen Moffatt
10:30am Rosalie Osmond, Ann Perry; **Server:** Aisling Curtin
Sidespersons: June Coote, Judy van Rychevorsel

Family Service of Morning Prayer

Prelude: Voluntary - Telemann

Announcements and Welcome

Hymn #482 'Come and Journey With a Saviour'

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant O Lord, open our lips,

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Celebrant O God, make speed to save us.

People **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

People **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia!**

Celebrant The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light.

Glory to God in the highest
and peace to his people on earth.

Youth

Welcome everyone: girls and boys, young and old, fathers and mothers, women and men—all of us children of God. God invites us to this church, a holy place of healing, worship and love.

All We Enter God's House with joy.

Youth

Because God loves us and calls us,

All We Enter God's House with joy.

Youth

God is our loving Father,
who showers us with love in his Son, Christ Jesus.

All We Enter God's House with joy.

Youth

Because God cares for each of us,

All We Enter God's House with joy.

Youth

Hear this good news: God offers forgiveness and healing to us all!

All Here in God's Holy House.

Youth

Through Jesus, God offers us all salvation and new life.

This is God's doing; it is a free gift.

All Here in God's Holy House.

Youth

So come, let us worship the God of love!

All Here in God's Holy House.

The Venite: #748

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray. *The community prays silently. The celebrant says the collect.*

Almighty God, by grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

8:30am SERVICE - A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness - on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. ISAIAH 9:1-4

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

10:30am - A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

But there'll be no darkness for those who were in trouble. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. For those who lived in a land of deep shadows— light! sunbursts of light! You repopulated the nation, you expanded its joy. Oh, they're so glad in your presence! Festival joy! The joy of a great celebration, sharing rich gifts and warm greetings. The abuse of oppressors and cruelty of tyrants — all their whips and sticks and curses— Is gone, done away with, a deliverance as surprising and sudden as Gideon's old victory over Midian.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks Be to God.**

PSALM REFRAIN The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid? **R**

One thing have I asked of the Lord; one thing I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life; To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple. **R**

For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling and set me high upon a rock. Even now he lifts up my head above my enemies round about me. **R**

Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation with sounds of great gladness; I will sing and make music to the Lord. **R**

Hearken to my voice, O Lord, when I call; have mercy on me and answer me. You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." Your face, Lord, will I seek. **R**

Hide not your face from me, nor turn away your servant in displeasure. You have been my helper; cast me not away; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation. **R** PSALM 27:1, 5-13

HYMN 'As We Are Gathered' (Mission Praise #13)

AS WE ARE GATHERED Jesus is here;
One with each other, Jesus is here.
Joined by the Spirit, washed in the blood,
Part of the body, the church of God.
As we are gathered Jesus is here,
One with each other, Jesus is here. (Repeat)

8:30am A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. I CORINTHIANS 1:10-18

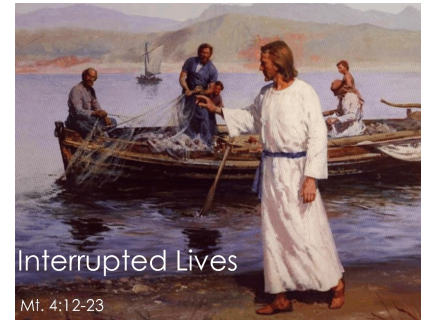
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn #418 'Draw the Circle Wide'

The Gospel

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.**



Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles - the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of

death light has dawned."

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea - for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. MATTHEW 4:12-23 The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

Congregational Hymn 'Cast Your Nets' (Tune Farewell to NS)

1. The boats ride high on a gentle swell,
And their crews are glad for the morning light.
In the places they have sought not a single fish was caught,
Though together they have laboured and have toiled all night.
2. "Cast your nets!", comes a voice.
"Cast them on the other side!
You can hear my voice: You can trust my Word.
If you try the other side you can trust me as your guide."
For the Master of the fisher folk is Christ the Lord.

3. The storm clouds drift in the darkening skies,
In the waves the boat begins to fill.
The disciples with their cries call the sleeper to arise;
At this bidding both the wild wind and the waves are still.
4. **“Peace be still!”**, hear his voice.
In the wind and the waves.
“I am he who calms. I am he who saves.
When you listen to the wind you are listening to my Word.”
For the Master of the stormy wave is Christ the Lord.
5. Each dawn light wakes us to join a throng,
Who serve and give and who right the wrong.
By a Saviour we are sought; by his sacrifice are brought,
And his dying and his rising are our joyful song.
6. **“Follow me!”**, hear his voice.
“Take my hand and rejoice.
Share my bread, my wine, and my wondrous Word.
Until every journey’s end I will be a faithful friend.”
For the Master of all Journeying is Christ the Lord.

Tune: Farewell to Nova Scotia
Lyrics: Rev. H. O’Driscoll, 2010

The Apostles Creed *Let us sing our Confession of Faith,*

We believe in God the Father, **Refrain: We believe, we believe.**
We believe he is the Holy One, **R.**
We believe in Jesus Christ, the Lord, **R.**
We believe he is God’s only Son, **R.**
He was conceived by the Holy Spirit; Born of the Virgin Mary; For us he died and was buried; On the third day he rose again.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, **R.**
We believe in the Holy Church of God, **R.**
We believe in God’s forgiveness, The resurrection from the dead.
We believe in life everlasting, We believe, we believe. Amen.
We believe. Amen. We believe.

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

Confession and Absolution

Youth: Loving God, we come to you this day as your children:
trusting, hopeful, wanting to love and to be loved.
We want to join with others in sharing your love
and in living your way.

Yet, we so easily forget how precious we are to you
and how we belong to you, for you have carved our
names on the palms of your hands.
How easily we put ourselves down
and put each other down.
We forget how you call us to trust, to hope and to love.
Yet through it all, you love us,
And when we are truly sorry, you forgive us.
Life is new again and we are reconnected with you,
with each other and all of creation.
Let us now confess our sins.

Silence is kept.

All 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 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.*

Youth Jesus is the prince of peace and the Lord of Light.
Let us turn and offer to one another the peace of Christ.

People

The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.
The assembly greets one another in the name of the Lord.

Offertory Hymn #502 ‘You Are Salt for the Earth’

Parishioners share in gathering the offering of God’s people. 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.*

Loving God, before the world began you called us. Make holy all we offer you this day, and strengthen us in that calling. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MUSIC MOMENT

I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart
Down in my heart! Down in my heart!
I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart
Down in my heart to stay

And I'm so happy, so very happy
I've got the love of Jesus in my heart
And I'm so happy, so very happy
I've got the love of Jesus in my heart

A Morning Resolve

I will try this day to live a simple, sincere and serene life, repelling promptly every thought of discontent, anxiety, discouragement, impurity, and self-seeking; cultivating cheerfulness, magnanimity, charity, and the habit of holy silence; exercising economy in expenditure, generosity in giving, carefulness in conversation, diligence in appointed service, fidelity to every trust, and a childlike faith in God.

In particular I will try to be faithful in those habits of prayer, work, study, physical exercise, eating, and sleep which I believe the Holy Spirit has shown me to be right. And as I cannot in my own strength do this, nor even with a hope of success attempt it, I look to thee, O Lord God my Father, in Jesus my Saviour, and ask for the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Forward Day By Day

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray to our Father in the words our Saviour has given us:

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.

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 & Dismissal

As Jesus called the fishermen, Andrew and Peter, so too, Jesus calls us to be fisher-folk who share his Good News with all we meet and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit bless you now and always. **Amen.**

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

Recessional Hymn #309 'Praise the Lord With the Sound of Trumpet'

Postlude: Trumpet Tune – Lang

NOTICES

Music Announcements

Cookie Concerts, a Musique Royale initiative, are designed for families of all ages. They are hour long presentations here at St. John's on first Saturdays of the month at 2 pm, whenever schedules allow. Affordable and entertaining, these events will foster music education and community ties and will aim to create an engaging atmosphere. Tickets, available at the door, are \$5 for everyone (toddlers are free) and includes a cookie treat! The first Cookie Concert features Chris Norman on Saturday, Feb. 1 at 2 pm.

Souper Market

Our third annual souper market, organized by our music committee and choirs, is scheduled for Saturday, February 15 at 11 am to 1:30 pm in the church hall. Please reserve a spot by signing your name on our list as you enter the church. Tickets are \$8. In addition to serving tasty soups and desserts we will also have a treasure table with a selection of items old and new to sell. If you would like to contribute in any way to our fund-raiser please speak with any member of our choirs or music committee.

Bishop Sue's Retirement Event:

Dinner/Dance; Friday March 21, 2014 Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel, tickets can be purchased on the Diocesan Website for \$60.00 each.

Holy Eucharist; Saturday, March 22, 2014 10am Cathedral Church of All Saints, followed by a reception in the Great Hall.

Photos: A call for photographs of Bishop Sue in every parish in the diocese and from as many groups in the diocese. Please send the largest format you have along with the who, what, where, when details of the event to Paul Sherwood at; prsherwood@gmail.com use "Montage" in the subject line. These need to be received by January 31st to give lots of time to create a montage for the planned events,

Retirement Gift. Bishop Sue has asked that monetary gifts given to celebrate her ministry as bishop be directed to the Lay Leadership Legacy Fund. This fund was established with the offering received at the 300th Anniversary Service in 2010. Since then the fund has been used to support a number of lay leaders in our parishes to attend educational or training events.

Please put your donation on the offering plate in an envelope clearly marked "Lay Leadership Legacy Fund in honour of Bishop Sue".

While donations can be made to this fund at any time, we asking you make your donation before Feb 16 so the parish can tally the donations and send them in to the Diocese and announce what has be received at the celebration events.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Committee Reports for our Annual General Meeting, being held Sunday, February 16th, should be **emailed to Mary** at the Parish Office. They are **due no later than January 31**. Many thanks to all.

Please keep the Annual Meeting in your prayers. A Potluck luncheon will follow the meeting. There are several positions open on Parish Council. Please give prayerful consideration to helping in one of these positions: Warden, Parish Council members, Synod Youth Delegate and a Property Committee Chairperson. Thank you.

Local Ministerial: The Congregation of St. Norbert's Roman Catholic Church and Father James MacDonald OMI.
Diocesan Cycle: Pray for the Parish of Milton and Rustico, PEI, Rev Ralph Moore and Bonnie; Parish of Crapaud, Rev Margaret Collins, Priest-in-Charge; Parish of New London, PEI, Rev Margaret Fagan and Darroch, Rev Shirley Cole-McFadden, Assistant Priest, Rev Al Meloche, Deacon, and Londie.
Fisheries: Adams & Knickle - Cachalot I; Clearwater - Atlantic Protector, Atlantic Preserver; Tall Ship - SS Sorlandet.

Have a blessed week and we look forward to welcoming you back next Sunday. Here are our numbers if you need to reach us in the meantime.

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Bulletin Humour

A woman invited some people to dinner. At the table, she turned to her six-year-old daughter and said, "Would you like to say the blessing?"

"I wouldn't know what to say," the little girl replied.

"Just say what you hear Mommy say," the mother said.

The little girl bowed her head and said: "Dear Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"