

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



Welcome everyone to St. John's. This, Sunday, we welcome the Rev. Gillian Ball as our preacher, with Rev. Louis presiding, while our Rector, Michael and Holly are on vacation throughout the month of August.

One of the joys of summer are outdoor picnics and barbeques. Many of us have fond memories of family picnics. I remember our Sunday family picnics. It was not just the food that was great – it was the gathering of grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins – that made our picnics so memorable. Of course there was lots and lots of good food and fun.

What are your memories of family picnics and summertime gatherings? What do they evoke in you? Do you still gather with family and friends?

Jesus found himself in the midst of a large gathering from all around the countryside and there was very little food. He spoke and prayed and he invited his disciples to feed the crowds. It was the generosity of a young boy with a few loaves and fishes that started a movement of great generosity and sharing.

The news media remind us almost daily of the hunger for food in many parts of the world especially in Africa. There is also much spiritual hunger in our world, a hunger and thirst for values, for something to hold on to and to hope for. Jesus gave to the people the food of compassion, his word of forgiveness, and especially the food of himself, his body. He invites us, his disciples today, to give ourselves away as the food and drink of others. We ask during this Eucharist for the courage and help we need from the Lord do this. Have a great week.

Father Michael+

LAY MINISTERS TODAY

Lay Readers: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer
10:30 am Susan MacMillan, Velvet Eliuk
Lectors: 8:30 am Laura Roblee, Roxie Smith
10:30am Judy McPherson, Mary Meisner
Hostesses: Leslie & Velvet Eliuk
Sidespersons: Ethel Black, Heather & Oran Hyson

NEXT SUNDAY AUGUST 10TH

Lay Readers: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer
10:30 am Robert MacMillan, Susan MacMillan
Lectors: 8:30 am Carolyn Hogg, Christina Pottie
10:30am Grace Swan, Ron Swan
Hostesses: Sharon Hill, Rosemary Smith
Sidespersons: Ethel Black, Heather & Oran Hyson

The Holy Eucharist in Traditional Language

Prelude - Guest Organist: Judy VanRyckervorsel

The Gathering of the Community

Processional Hymn #442 'Great God, Your Love Has Called Us Here'

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

All **And with thy Spirit.**

Celebrant Almighty God,
All **unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hid:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love thee,
and worthily magnify thy holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Summary of the Law

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great commandment and the second is like unto it: thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

**Lord, have mercy upon us,
and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.**

**Lord have mercy upon us.
Christ have mercy upon us.
Lord have mercy upon us.**

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards all.
**We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee,
we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly king, God the Father almighty.
O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy
upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only,
O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the
Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray. *The community prays silently.*

God, our compassionate Father, your Son Jesus Christ gave food to all who were hungry in any way. Make us compassionate for all the poor of our day. Teach us to see their needs, to journey with them, to bind their wounds and to appease their hungers. Give us the strength to do all this by the power of the spiritual food which Jesus gives us in this Eucharist. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

GENESIS 32:22-31

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

PSALM REFRAIN

Show me your marvellous loving-kindness, O Saviour.

Hear my plea of innocence, O Lord; give heed to my cry; listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips. Let my vindication come forth from your presence; let your eyes be fixed on justice. **R**

Weigh my heart, summon me by night, melt me down; you will find no impurity in me. I give no offence with my mouth as others do; I have heeded the words of your lips. **R**

My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; in your paths my feet shall not stumble. I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; incline your ear to me and hear my words. **R**

Show me your marvellous loving-kindness, O Saviour of those who take refuge at your right hand from those who rise up against them. But at my vindication I shall see your face; when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding your likeness. **R**

PSALM 17:1-7, 16

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ROMANS

I am speaking the truth in Christ - I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit - I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever.

ROMANS 9:1-5

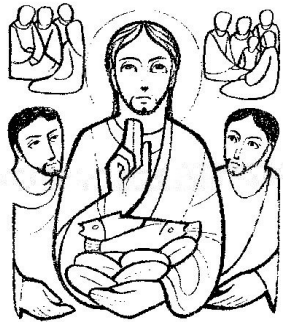
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation #585 'Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service'

Reader The Lord be with you. *People* **And with thy Spirit.**

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew

All: Glory be to thee, O Christ.



Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "*This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.*" Jesus said to them, "*They need not go away; you give them something to eat.*" They replied, "*We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.*" And he said, "*Bring them here*

to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. **MATTHEW 14:13-21**

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Sermon

The Nicene Creed *Let us confess our faith, as we say,*

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God, of God; Light, of Light; very God, of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; through whom all things were made: who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spake by the prophets. And I believe one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People *Please kneel or sit for the prayers.*

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: draw near with faith, and take this holy sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to almighty God.

Silence is kept. The celebrant and people say together,

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things and judge of all people: We acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word and deed, Against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily

sorry for these our misdoings. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him: + have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting 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 with thy spirit.

The assembly greets one another in the name of the Lord.

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Preparation of the Gifts

Offertory Hymn #519 'The Lord's My Shepherd'

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*

God our Father, we give you thanks for bread and wine and for making them the signs of your Son's presence in our midst. Through him we bring before you the miseries and aspirations of all. Let him multiply here for us the bread of life to make us strong and the wine of joy to give us hope. We ask you this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, creator and preserver of all things. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name; evermore praising thee and singing:

All Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

Blessing and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy bread of eternal life and the cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded:

All We praise thee, we bless thee, we thank thee, and we pray to thee, Lord our God.

And we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer *The celebrant introduces 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 all say:

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, Trusting in our own righteousness, But in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, Whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, So to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, And to drink his blood, That we may evermore dwell in him, And he in us. Amen.

The Communion

- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.**
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.**
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: grant us thy peace.**

Communion Hymn #73 'One Bread, One Body, One Lord of All'

The Prayer after Communion *Read by celebrant*

Our God and Father, multiply in us our capacity to love. Give us the courage to put into practice the words spoken to us by your Son: "You yourselves give the people to eat." Help us to share our food with them but also our joy and our compassion, our hopes and our love. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. **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

May our generous God bless us this day to share our daily bread and may we meet Christ in everyone we meet. May almighty God bless you this Day, the Father, + the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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

Recessional Hymn #365 'Glory to God on High'

Organ Postlude:

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Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for The Scottish Episcopal Church, The Most Revd David Chillingworth, Primus of the Scottish Episcopal Church & Bishop of St Andrews Dunkeld & Dunblane.
Diocesan Cycle: Pray for Retired Clergy of Fort Sackville Region.
Local Ministerial: The Congregation of Zion Lutheran Church and their new pastor Rev. Rick Pryce.
Fisheries: Adams & Knickle - **Cachalot I**; Tall Ship - **Picton Castle**; Lunar Fisheries - **Island Pride I**; Clearwater - **Atlantic Leader**.

RECTOR'S VACATION

Father Michael is on vacation for the month of August. We wish a great month filled with fun and relaxation for Michael and Holly. During Michael's vacation, if there is an emergency, please call the office 634-4994 or one of the wardens. You will be put in touch with one of the priests covering pastoral emergencies.





Sunday School Program

The parish is delighted to announce that Christina Bower of our parish will lead our Sunday School program this fall. Christina and her husband Adam and their newborn daughter, Anna recently returned to Lunenburg when Adam purchased the Grand Banker. Christina is a teacher by

profession and brings to our Sunday School her skill and an enthusiasm for children.

Christina will be supported by Louise Holdbrook, who has many years experience working in Sunday School. It is our hope that we will be able to have a Nursery, a class for younger pre-school children and a program for our youth. This will be possible if other young parents are willing to be a part of a team ministry. We will need to have a number of teachers who can take turns and share in the Sunday School. We invite young parents - both moms and dads to consider helping in our Sunday School. We hope it will be a resource not only to our parishioners but also to the wider community. Please contact Christina if you would like to help out. 902-233-2138, [email:christinajbower@gmail.com](mailto:christinajbower@gmail.com).

Rising Fuel Costs

Dear fellow parishioners, all of us have felt the effects of a severe winter and the rising cost of fuel. Here is some information regarding our fuel costs at both the church and parish hall:

- Total fuel cost for 2013 for both church and hall = \$17,178.
- Total fuel cost to date for current year for both church and hall is \$18,700.
- This means we have exceeded last year's numbers by \$1,522 and will have additional fuel expenses for this coming fall.
- Total outstanding balance on our West Nova account is \$2,943.19.

Any financial assistance you can provide to bring our account up to date will be truly appreciated.

Cammy Tibbo, Parish Treasurer

Musique Royale Events at St. John's

North Lakeshore Mass Chorus and Chester Brass, guest choristers 'Till the Boys Come Home' - Monday, **August 11** at 7:30 pm
 Robert Quinney, organ - Friday, **August 15** at 7:30 pm
 Nova Scotia Youth Orchestra - Wednesday, **August 27** at 7:30 pm
 Musique Royale presents a guitar and piano recital at St. George's Anglican Church in East River, Parish of Chester, on Sunday, **August 9** at 7:30 pm. The event celebrates the 125th anniversary of the church.

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