



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 pray and to all who do not, but ought,
 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 1793



Rector's Message

A warm word of welcome to our parishioners and to all who are visiting with us this weekend. We pray God's blessing upon you in this season of summer.

This week, while I continue on vacation, the parish welcomes the Rev'd Reg MacDonald as celebrant and preacher. Have a great week. *Michael+*

A Litany Marking the Centennial Anniversary of the Beginning of World War I - The Rev. Gina Gilland Campbell

- One hundred years ago, an assassin's bullet plunges the nations of the world into violence unlike any the world has ever seen. Self-justification and self-righteousness divides your people; divides your world into opposing alliances; into enemies and friends. Forgive us!
- For you, O God, seek to unify your people. Your word goes forth, calling us beyond self-centeredness and self-certainty into the ways of humility and understanding. Help us O God!
- The war to end all wars enlists 70 million people. 8 and a half million soldiers dead; 20 million soldiers severely wounded; 7 million civilians will also die; showing us the futility of our ways; the arrogance of our thoughts. How dare we imagine that by killing the sons and daughters of our enemies, we become friends! Forgive us!
- For you, O God, create our hearts in love: hearts to love our neighbours; hearts to love our enemies; hearts to love ourselves. To share in your heart means to seek shalom, not swords: that your loving kindness may prevail among the community of all your people. Help us O God!
- From the fields of Flanders to the forests of Verdun to the peninsula of Gallipoli, the dead cry out: life and love interrupted; hope and promise laid waste; war, war, and more war. Forgive us!
- Mounted cavalry meets withering machine gun fire; lye burns the skin; mustard gas causes the afflicted to drown on dry land. Our weapons of death exceed our moral preparation; squandering the gifts of your grace; careless with your creation, the work of your hands. Forgive us!
- For your life, loving God, pulses through the universe; creating, redeeming, sustaining life. Your life: animating our very instinct for life; countering our tendency to choose death; quickening in us our every impulse to live. Help us O God!
- Trench rot, shellshock, battle fatigue: the consequences of war; cruel, prolonged, ill-conceived war. Our jealousies, our rivalries, our animosities prove costly. Your vision for us; a peaceable reign; grows dim. Forgive us! For you, O God, desire shalom. We do not fool you when we cry "peace, peace" when there is no peace. You seek the day when all your people live whole and free; in hope and in safety. Forgive us!

The Holy Eucharist

Announcements and Welcome

The Gathering of the Community

Please stand for Processional Hymn

Processional Hymn #527 'How Firm a Foundation'

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.**

Glory To God

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

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

God our Father, we believe in your love and care. But our faith is often tried by doubts, uncertainties and fears. Make our faith strong enough to believe that your Son Jesus is with us. Revive our faith and give us the courage to live with the risks of doubts and ambiguities. Keep us hoping, and let Jesus take us by the hand and lead us to you, our God and Father for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF GENESIS

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him.

Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me."

So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" - that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father.

So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt. *GENESIS 37:1-4, 12-28*
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM REFRAIN

The Lord has always been mindful of his covenant.

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples. Sing to him, sing praises to him, and speak of all his marvellous works. **R**

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. Search for the Lord and his strength; continually seek his face. **R**

Remember the marvels he has done, his wonders and the judgements of his mouth, O offspring of Abraham his servant, O children of Jacob his chosen. **R**

Then he called for a famine in the land and destroyed the supply of bread. He sent a man before them, Joseph, who was sold as a slave. They bruised his feet in fetters; his neck they put in an iron collar. Until his prediction came to pass, the word of the Lord tested him. **R**

The king sent and released him; the ruler of the peoples set him free. He set him as master over his household, as a ruler over all his possessions, to instruct his princes according to his will and to teach his elders wisdom. Hallelujah! **R** *PSALM 105:1-6, 16-22, 45C*

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ROMANS

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" *ROMANS 10:5-15*

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

Gospel Procession #330 'O Praise Ye the Lord'

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.**

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had



dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the

boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." *MATTHEW 14:22-33*

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

The Creed

United with Christians everywhere, we join in professing our faith as we say,
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*

Refrain: Lord, hear our prayer.

Confession and Absolution

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

Silence is kept.

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.

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

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

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Preparation of the Gifts

Offertory Hymn #620 'How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds'

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*

Father, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that in this Eucharist we may be enriched by the gifts of the Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer

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.

It is indeed right to thank you and praise you, holy and gracious God, creator of all things, ruler of heaven and earth, sustainer of life, for you are the source of all goodness, rich in mercy and abounding in love; you are faithful to your people in every generation, and your word endures for ever. 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.**

We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love you have made known to us in creation; in calling Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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.

We offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ and his blood of the new covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him, may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ, and make them new, and bring us to that city of light where you dwell with all your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation; Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

With Jesus our Lord we pray to our Father in heaven that his kingdom come and that we may do his will.

**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:

All We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**We, being many, are one body,
for we all share in the one bread.**

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

The gifts of God for the People of God.
People **Thanks be to God.**

The Communion

**Jesus Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus Bread of life, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus Prince of Peace you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us your peace.**

The celebrant and people receive communion.

The sacrament is given with the following words.

The body of Christ (given for you). The blood of Christ (shed for you).

The communicant responds each time, Amen.

Communion Hymn #74 'For the Bread Which You Have Broken'

Prayer After Communion

Eternal God, grant to your Church the unity and peace that we have tasted in this eucharist, the fruit of your life-giving Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ 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 Christ be our treasure and joy now and always, and may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, + the Son and the 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.

Recessional Hymn #564 'Lead Us, Heavenly Father, Lead Us'

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Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Pray for The Parish of Avon Valley, Rev Tom Henderson, Rev James Small, Honorary Assistant, and Joan; The Parish of Aylesford with Berwick, Rev. Ruby Carter; The Parish of Cornwallis, Rev David Garrett; The Parish of St. John's, Wolfville (Horton), Rev Sandra Fyfe and James, Rev Ann Watson, Deacon, Rev Dr. Bruce Matthews, Honorary Assistant, and Pamela.
Local Ministerial: The Congregation of St. John's Anglican Church and Archdeacon Michael Mitchell and Holly.
Fisheries: Adams & Knickle - **Chockle Cap**; Joides Resolution; Tall Ship - **SS Sorlandet**; Clearwater - **Atlantic Protector**.

LAY MINISTERS TODAY**Lay Readers: 8:30 am** Barbara Eisenhauer**10:30 am** Roger Demone, Charlene Demone, Susan MacMillan**Lectors: 8:30 am** Susan Foote, Christina Pottie**10:30am** Grace Swan, Ron Swan**Hostesses:** Sharon Hill, Rosemary Smith**Sidespersons:** Ethel Black, Heather & Oran Hyson**NEXT SUNDAY AUGUST 17TH****Lay Readers: 8:30 am** Bill Black**10:30 am** Heather Hyson, Sharon Green, Sheila Morris**Lectors: 8:30 am** Ed Jordan, Maureen Moffatt**10:30am** Lillian Keeping, Kevin Skinner**Hostesses:** Joyce Creaser, Judy McPherson**Sidespersons:** Charles & Joan Carlson

To My Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

I wish to express my deep gratitude to the parish of Saint John and to all its members on the warmth, sympathy, support and love offered to us by so many of you on the death of my mother in late June. You need to know how healing it was for us to have your support. On behalf of Robert and myself, THANK-YOU! May you continue to be blessed by God as God has blessed us through you.

In Christ,

Rev. Louis Quennelle

VOLUNTEER TOUR GUIDE PROGRAM

The Student Tour Guides will soon be heading back to university. We are once again asking for volunteers to help out with the Tour Guide Program at St. John's Church starting August 25th. Shifts are flexible. Anyone wishing to volunteer please contact Jane Ritcey Moore 275-4834.

MUSIQUE ROYALE

On Monday, August 11 at 7:30 pm here at St. John's it is a privilege for us to host 'Till the Boys Come Home' - a musical tribute to Canadians who served their King and Country in the Great War, 1914-1918. The concert features a large assembly of musicians which includes the North Lakeshore Chorus, Chester Brass, Citadel Singers and South Shore Chorale. The programme includes old favourites such as The Maple Leaf Forever, Farewell to Nova Scotia, Let There be Peace on Earth, In Flanders Fields, and Keep the Home Fires Burning. Audience members will be invited to join in a rousing sing-along of popular songs from 1914

to 1915 including, Tipperary, Pack Up Your Troubles, K-K-K-Katy, and Oh, How I Hate to get Up in the Morning. The concert in Lunenburg is dedicated to the memory of Private Martin Leo Zinck who died on May 20th, 1915. `Till the Boys Come Home` is presented by Musique Royale. Tickets: \$20 general & \$10 student, available from Shop on the Corner, by reservation from the MR Box Office at (902) 634-9994 or stjartsalliance@eastlink.ca; and at the door. Children under 12 free. I hope that many of you will be able to come and enjoy the performance. Warm regards, Barbara

Have a blessed week and we look forward to welcoming you back next Sunday. Contact information is below if you need to reach us in the meantime.

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