

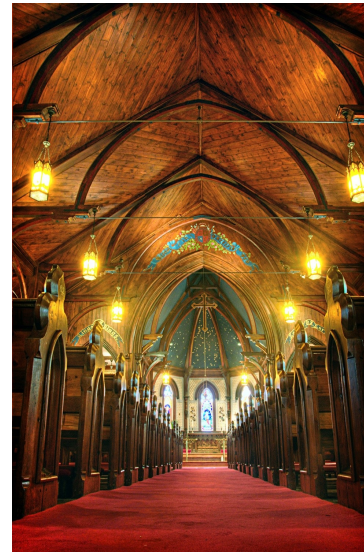
Patronal Festival of St. John

264th Anniversary of the Founding of
St. John's Church
Lunenburg, Nova Scotia



Rector: Reverend 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.



Father Alvin's Message

Welcome to the Church of Saint John this morning as we celebrate the 264th Anniversary of the founding of the Parish of Saint John.

Today we also celebrate the Feast of Pentecost, the day when, true to His promise, Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to the community in Jerusalem. The coming of the Holy Spirit changed the community; for with self-assurance and confidence they stood before the Jewish people and the Jewish leaders to proclaim the Good News of Jesus the Christ. The coming of the Holy Spirit saw the launching of a new community which in time we called The Church.

This day renews the gift of the Holy Spirit in each one of us. We pray to receive the Holy Spirit, to enlighten our minds and open our hearts, to kindle in us the fire of love, and to heal the wounds of sin and division.

Today, let us celebrate God's many blessings to us. Let us rejoice and be glad.

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LAY MINISTERS TODAY

Lay Readers: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer
10:30 am Roger Demone, Robert MacMillan
Lectors: 8:30 am Laura Roblee, Linda Macdonald
10:30am Judy McPherson, John Collins; Server: Aisling Curtin
Sidespersons: Ann & John Perry

NEXT SUNDAY JUNE 11TH

Lay Readers: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer
10:30 am Charlene Demone, Velvet Eliuk
Lectors: 8:30 am Roxie & Ben Smith
10:30am Mary Meisner, Rosemary Smith; Server: Aisling Curtin
Sidespersons: Ann & John Perry



The Holy Eucharist

Setting "Mass of Creation" by Marty Haugen

Prelude Music: Music for Brass; St. John's Ringers:
Standing in the Need of Prayer. arr: Valerie W. Stephenson

Please stand for the Processional Hymn
Processional Hymn # 253 'O Glorious Day'

The Gathering of the Community

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.

Glory To God Please join the choir in singing the Refrain.

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

Almighty and everliving God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by
sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation
the way of life eternal, keep us in the unity of your Spirit, that every
tongue may tell of your glory; 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

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF NUMBERS

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he
gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent.

Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some
of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the
spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again.
Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named
Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered,
but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp.
And a young man ran and told Moses, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying
in the camp.' And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his
chosen men, said, 'My lord Moses, stop them!' But Moses said to him, 'Are
you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were prophets,
and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!' And Moses and the elders
of Israel returned to the camp. Numbers 11:24-30

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM REFRAIN

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

O Lord, how manifold are your works! in wisdom you have made them
all; the earth is full of your creatures. Yonder is the great and wide sea with
its living things too many to number, creatures both small and great. R

There move the ships, and there is that Leviathan, which you have
made for the sport of it. All of them look to you to give them their food in
due season. You give it to them; they gather it; you open your hand, and
they are filled with good things. R

You hide your face, and they are terrified; you take away their breath,
and they die and return to their dust. You send forth your Spirit, and they
are created; and so you renew the face of the earth. R

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; may the Lord rejoice in all
his works. He looks at the earth and it trembles; he touches the mountains
and they smoke. R

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will praise my God while I have
my being. May these words of mine please him; I will rejoice in the Lord.
Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah! R PSALM 104:25-35, 37

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one
place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a
violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided
tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of
them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in
other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout
Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound
the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them
speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked,
"Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear,
each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and
residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia
and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and
visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs - in our
own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All

were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'" ACTS 2:1-21

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Hymn #303 'Unto Thy Temple, Lord, We Come'

The Gospel

The Lord be with you. And also with you.
The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to John.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." JOHN 20:19-23

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

Sermon

Father Alvin

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

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he
suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He
will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from
the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He
has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We 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, send forth your spirit.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for North East India - (North India) The
Rt Rev Michael Herenz.

Diocesan Cycle: Pray for St. Mark's, Halifax, Rev John Morrell and
Kathy, Rev Vivien Hannon, Assistant Priest, and Patrick, Rev Canon
James Purchase, Honorary Assistant; Church of the Apostles, Halifax,
Rev Mark Marshall and Daphne.

Local Ministerial: Today on our Patronal Feast, we pray for St. John's
Anglican Church and Rev. Michael Mitchell, Holly and parishioners.

Fisheries: Adams & Knickle - Maude Adams;

Clearwater - Atlantic Leader.

Prayer Partners: Please keep our Prayer Partners at St. Eleanor's,
Summerside, PEI in your prayers.

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

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Preparation of the Gifts

Offertory Hymn #349 'All People That On Earth Do Dwell'
(setting - Ralph Vaughn Williams)

1. All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice. Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell; come ye before him and rejoice.
2. Know that the Lord is God indeed; without our aid he did us make; we are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
3. O enter then his gates with praise; approach with joy his courts unto; praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.
4. For why! the Lord our God is good; his mercy is forever sure; his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.
5. To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, To God whom heaven and earth adore, From men and from the angel host, Be praise and glory evermore.

On our Festival Day, the gifts of bread and wine are presented 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.
Thank you for your generosity.

The Prayer over the Gifts Read by celebrant

Giver of life, receive all we offer you this day. Let the Spirit you bestow on your Church continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer 3

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.

Preface for Pentecost

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord.
In fulfilment of your promise you pour forth your Spirit upon us, filling us with gifts and leading us into all truth. You give us power to proclaim your gospel to all nations and to serve you as a royal priesthood.
Therefore we join our voices with angels and archangels, and with all those in whom the Spirit dwells, to proclaim the glory of your name.

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.

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!
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 him, with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer In thanksgiving for the daily bread of faith, let us pray:

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:

Lord, we died with you on the cross.
All Now we are raised to new life.
We were buried in your tomb.
All Now we share in your resurrection.
Live in us that we might live in you.

The celebrant invites the people to share in communion,
The gifts of God for the People of God.
All 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.

*This community of faith, welcomes to the Lord's table
all who wish to be nourished with the Body and Blood of Christ.*

Communion Hymn #254 'O God, the Holy Ghost'
Communion Anthem: 'Come, Holy Ghost' – Attwood
St. John's Ringers: 'Come Let Us Eat' arr: Cathy Moklehust

Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. Standing, the community prays in silence.

Father, may we who have received this eucharist live in the
unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth his gifts to all the
world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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

May the Lord go with you as you celebrate His grace.
May you be surrounded by His love;
May the Lord go with you as you leave this place. Amen.
May Almighty God bless you in the name of
the + Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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

Closing Hymn: #598 'Go to the World'

Postlude: Musique Royale for Brass and Organ - Delalande

HERITAGE FAITH VISION

Major changes begun in 1871 opened up the flat plaster ceiling, gutted the interior and windows were removed. The empty building was dragged by ox teams about 25 feet to the west to make room for the addition of a chancel and sanctuary, as well as, extending the nave by 10 feet. Our story will continue.

NOTICES

FATHER'S DAY MEMORIALS

Anyone wishing to place a Father's Day Memorial, please contact Mary at the Parish Office (902-634-4994) by Wednesday, June 14th. We will graciously accept donations of any amount toward the Memorial Fund, Rector's Discretionary Fund, Food Bank, Primate's World Relief (PWRDF) and the Flower Fund.

Congratulations to Jim Eisenhauer! He was inducted into Junior Achievement's 'Nova Scotia Business Hall of Fame' this week. Jim joins his father, Andrew and Lunenburger's CJ Morrow, Bill Morrow and Henry Demone; all members of St. John's parish.

TODAY, JUNE 4th - Pentecost and our Patronal Festival!
 Congregational BBQ following the 10:30 a.m. service to celebrate!

SPRING FLEA MARKET

The ACW will be holding a Spring Flea Market and canteen on Saturday, June 17th from 10 am to 1 pm to raise funds to support the ministry of the church. They are looking for donations of items for the flea market - no clothing, furniture or large appliances; gently used or new items for the silent auction; and home baking, pickles, jams, etc. for the bake table. Mark this date on your calendar to find some treasures. Stay for lunch.....they will be serving chowder and sandwich plates.

UPCOMING MUSIC

On Sunday, June 11 at the 10:30 service the music prepared by our Chancel Choir will have a gospel theme. Many of the hymns will have special gospel arrangements and the communion setting comes from 'Lift Every Voice and Sing 11', an African American Hymnal.

Special guests at the 10:30 service on June 18 will be the award winning Atlanta Boy Choir. The choir will also perform in concert later in the afternoon at 3 pm here at St. John's Church.

Calling all Knitters - Summertime project:

Holy Trinity Piecemakers group along with other ladies groups will be knitting 150 pairs of mittens, in honour of Canada's 150th birthday, to be given to the local schools in the fall. If you want to join in on the FUN or have questions, please contact Heather Stevenson at 902-543-3568.

CHURCH HUMOUR

A rector's wife was expecting a baby, so he stood before the congregation and asked for a raise. After much discussion, they passed a rule that whenever the rector's family expanded so would his paycheck.

After six children, this started to get expensive and the congregation decided to hold another meeting to discuss the rector's expanding salary. A great deal of yelling and inner bickering ensued, as to how much the rector's additional children were costing the church and how much more it could potentially cost.

After listening to them for about an hour, the rector rose from his chair and spoke, "Children are a gift from God and we will take as many gifts as He gives us." Silence fell over the congregation. (See over)

In the back pew, a little old lady struggled to stand, and finally said in her frail voice, "Rain is also a gift from God, but when we get too much of it, we wear rubbers." The entire congregation said, "Amen."

Have a wonderful week!

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