



Welcome to our worship service this morning. Last night, the first evensong of The Feast of the Most Holy Trinity, officially brought to an end the season of Easter. Prior to today our focus has been on the life of our Lord Jesus the Christ. We followed the journey from Incarnation (birth), Epiphany, Holy Baptism, to this Cross and Passion, His Resurrection, His Ascension, and Pentecost. Our focus now shifts to the mystery of our faith. Therefore, it is appropriate that we commence, this part of our journey, with the celebration of the greatest mystery of our faith, namely the mystery of the Holy Trinity.

God is Father, Son, and Holy Ghost/Holy Spirit.

How is this godhead a unity of three Persons, of one substance, power, and eternity.

Two examples of nature may help in our understanding of the Trinity. First water - there is the substance of ice, and then the substance of steam, three substances, but one water. Second the sun - there is the substance of light and then the substance of heat, once again three substances, but one sun.

In Jesus' life we have seen the three persons working together. The godhead of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit works together in our life.

Father Alvin+

St. John's Anglican 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 who ever 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 Charlene Demone, Velvet Eliuk
 Lectors: 8:30 am Roxie & Ben Smith
 10:30am Mary Meisner, Rosemary Smith
 Sidespersons: 10:30 am Ann & John Perry; Server: Aisling Curtin

NEXT SUNDAY June 18TH
 Lay Readers: 8:30 am Bill Black
 10:30 am Susan MacMillan, Charlene Demone
 Lectors: 8:30 am Sandra & Ed Jordan
 10:30am Bruce Holdbrook, Margaret Shirley
 Sidespersons: Fred Rhinelander, Mary King; Server: 10:30 am Aisling Curtin



The Holy Eucharist

The communion settings and many of the hymns today have their origins in gospel music and are taken from 'Lift Every Voice and Sing', an African American Hymnal as well as 'Common Praise'

The Gathering of the Community

Prelude: Gospel Band

Please stand for Processional Hymn

Hymn #1 'Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty'

Synod Report

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, Glory, hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name (repeat)
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,
Glory, Glory, hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name (repeat)
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 the Father
Glory, Glory, hallelujah, Lord we praise your Holy name (repeat)
Amen Music by Carl Haywood – from 'Mass for Grace'

The Collect of the Day

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

Father, we praise you: through your Word and Holy Spirit you created all things. You reveal your salvation in all the world by sending to us Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Through your Holy Spirit you give us a share in your life and love. Fill us with the vision of your glory, that we may always serve and praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Choir Anthem: 'Peace in the Valley' – Thomas Dorsey

A Reading from the Book of Genesis

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day. And God said, "Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day. And God said, "Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it." And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind, and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day. And God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night; and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth." And it was so. God made the two great lights - the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night - and the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day. And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was

morning, the fifth day. And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. GENESIS 1:1-2:4A

PSALM O Lord, our God, how wonderful is your name in all the earth!

O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world! Out of the mouths of infants and children your majesty is praised above the heavens. R You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, to quell the enemy and the avenger. When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses, R

What is man that you should be mindful of him? the son of man that you should seek him out? You have made him but little lower than the angels; you adorn him with glory and honour; R

You give him mastery over the works of your hands; you put all things under his feet; All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field, R

The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea. O Lord our governor, how exalted is your name in all the world! R Psalm 8

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints

greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

2 CORINTHIANS 13:11-13

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Procession #512 'I want Jesus to Walk with Me'

The Gospel

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.



Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

MATTHEW 28:16-20

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

The Creed Let us profess our faith in the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit:

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: Holy Trinity, hear our prayer.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for Northern California - (VIII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Barry Beisner.
Diocesan Cycle: Pray for the Parish of St. Augustine's, Jollimore, Rev James McCorriston, Priest-in-Charge; Parish of Falkland and Purcell's Cove, Rev Helen Ryding, Priest-in-Charge, and David Lyttle.
Local Ministerial: The Congregation of Zion Lutheran Church and Rev'd Rick Pryce and Deborah. Please keep our own Father Michael and Holly Mitchell in your prayers.
Fisheries: Adams & Knickle - Maude Adams;
Clearwater - Atlantic Preserver; Tallship - Picton Castle.

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,
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.

The Peace All stand, and the celebrant addresses the people.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.
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 'Precious Lord, Take My Hand' – Thomas Dorsey

Choir: Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, help me stand
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

Choir and Congregation:

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, help me stand
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

Choir and Congregation:

When my way grows drear, precious Lord linger near
When my light is almost gone
Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand lest I fall
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

Choir and Congregation:

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, help me stand
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn
Through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

Choir: Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home; home.

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

Living God, receive all we offer you this day. Grant that hearing your word and responding to your Spirit, we may share in your divine life. 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.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise, because, in the mystery you disclose to us,
you reveal your glory as the glory of your Son and the Holy Spirit:
three persons equal in majesty, undivided in splendour, yet one Lord, one
God, ever to be adored in your everlasting glory. Therefore with all the
company of heaven we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

Holy, Holy, Holy
Holy, Holy (repeat)
Holy, Lord God of hosts
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory
Hosanna in the highest
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest (repeat)
Music by Grayson Warren Brown from 'A Mass for a Soulful People'

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 in 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,"

Therefore, Father, according to his command,
we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

and 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;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father, now and forever.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

United in the Holy Spirit, let us pray to God our Father the prayer of Jesus our Lord.

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:

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All 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

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 peace

Music by Marjorie Landsmark-DeLewis

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.

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

Hymn during Communion: His Eye is on the Sparrow
Why should I feel discouraged? Why should the shadows come?
Why should my heart be lonely and long for heav'n and home.
When Jesus is my portion, my constant Friend is He,
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me. (2x)
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me.

Refrain: I sing because I'm happy; I sing because I'm free;
His eye is on the sparrow, and I know He watches me.

Let not your heart be troubled; His tender word I hear;
And resting on his goodness I lose my doubts and fears;
Though by the path He leadeth but one step I may see;
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me. (2x)

Whenever I am tempted; whenever clouds arise;
When songs give place to sighing; when hope within me dies;
I draw the closer to Him; from care He sets me free;
His eye is on the sparrow and I know He watches me. (2x)

Prayer After Communion

Almighty and eternal God, may we who have received this Eucharist worship you in all we do, and proclaim the glory of your majesty. 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 the blessing of the Triune God,
Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier,
the 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.

Recessional Hymn

I've Got Peace like a river
I've got peace like a river (repeat)
I've got peace like a river in my soul (2 x)

I've got love like an ocean (repeat)
I've got love like an ocean in my soul (2 x)

I've got joy like a fountain (repeat)
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul (2 x)

Postlude: Gospel Band

MUSIC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Special guests at the 10:30 service on June 18 will be the Grammy award winning Atlanta Boy Choir. Under the direction of the choir's founder, Maestro Fletcher Wolfe the Atlanta Boy Choir has had a long and distinguished history of performing in many of the world's great Concert Halls and Cathedrals. The Atlanta Boy Choir is made up of 31 boys and 20 men. The choir performs in concert here at St. John's at 3 pm on June 18. Joining them will be the American Opera Star, Indra Thomas, a frequent performer at the Metropolitan and Covent Garden Opera houses. The public is cordially invited to attend. Free will offering only in support of the choir's educational fund.

Wednesdays at Noon begins on June 28 with guitarist Scott Macmillan and Cape Breton fiddler Colin Grant, recent ECMA winners. Wednesdays at Noon will continue each Wednesday throughout July and August.

July music events here at St. John's include a performance of Scott Macmillan's 'Celtic Mass for the Sea' on Sunday, July 2 at 4 pm – part of Lunenburg's special Canada 150 celebrations. On Wednesday, July 19 we will be honoured to welcome Dr. Roberta Bondar to Lunenburg in a performance with the Elmer Iseler Singers at 7:30 pm here at St. John's. Dr. Bondar was the first Canadian woman and the first neurologist to travel into space. High Flight: Songs of the Stars is a multi-media choral performance of sonic splendour combined with captivating photographs and images of space, highlighting music of the spheres by various well known Canadian composers as well as the performance of a work by Lydia Adams, with text by Dr. Roberta Bondar describing her experience of leaving Earth and coming back once again to its sublime beauty. Dr. Bondar will speak at the event about the search in the stars for new possibilities for life on other planets.

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.

LUNENBURG FIRE DEPT. ROAST BEEF DINNER

The Lunenburg Fire Department is holding a Roast Beef Dinner at 5pm on June 18th, Father's Day. Tickets are available from any Firefighter \$15, 5-12 years \$5, children under 5- free. Takeouts available 4:30-5pm.