



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 whoever will worship,
This Church of St. John's opens wide its doors
and in the name of Christ our Lord, says - WELCOME.*

Welcome to the Church of Saint John this morning. On Thursday, August 24 the Church celebrated Saint Bartholomew, Apostle and Martyr.

Bartholomew is known to us only because his name is listed among the twelve apostles in the Holy Gospels according to Matthew, Mark, Luke, and in Luke's second book, the Acts of the Apostles.

In the gospel according to John, we meet Nathaniel, who is a friend of Philip. If we look back at the lists of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and the Acts of the Apostles we find that Philip and Bartholomew are paired together. Thus biblical scholars think that Bartholomew and Nathaniel are the same person. Jesus proclaimed, when he saw Nathaniel, "Here is an Israelite worthy of the name; There is nothing false in him." Some scholars credit Bartholomew with having written a Gospel; its existence was known to various of the early Christian Theologians up to the eighth century, but it has long since disappeared. Several traditions exist as to where he travelled to bring the good news. Ancient tradition say that he was flayed alive.

This morning we also welcome Kathy Lucking. Kathy has been the force behind Madagascar School Project. A seed was planted in 2008 and in the preceding years this project has grown. Your support has been used to fund construction of class rooms, the food programme, general operating expenses, acquiring more desks, and teaching aids. Every dollar that you donate is used for the benefit of the children of Madagascar. Thank you for your kindness and payers for this worthwhile project.

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LAY MINISTERS TODAY

Lay Readers: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer

10:30 am Velvet Eliuk, Susan MacMillan

Lectors: 8:30 am Roxie Smith, Carolyn Hogg

10:30am John Collins, Aisling Curtin; Server: Aisling Curtin

Hostesses: Paulette Symes, Viola Green

Sidespersons: Jim and Viola Green

NEXT SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 3RD

Lay Readers: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer

10:30 am Roger Demone, Velvet Eliuk

Lectors: 8:30 am Duncan Crowdis, Susan Foote

10:30am; Haigh Carthew, Sharon Green; Server: Aisling Curtin

Hostesses; Rose Conrad, Mary Meisner

Sidespersons: Jim and Viola Green

The Holy Eucharist

The Land of Rest

Prelude Music

Announcements and Welcome

The Gathering of the Community

Please stand for Processional Hymn

Hymn #527 'How Firm a Foundation' (tune St. Denio 393)

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

Celebrant Glory to God in the highest,
All 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 (To be said at the chapel)

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle
Bartholomew grace to believe and preach your word, may your
Church truly love what he believed and faithfully preach what he
taught; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with
you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing of the Sacred space

- The unveiling of the plaque
- A bagpipe tribute 'Highland Cathedral'

The Proclamation of the Word

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy

The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among
your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you
requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when
you said: 'If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see
this great fire, I will die.' Then the Lord replied to me: 'They are right in
what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among
their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who
shall speak to them everything that I command. Deuteronomy 18: 15 - 18
The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM REFRAIN He shall give his angels charge over you.

You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow
of the Almighty, will say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my fortress; my God, in
whom I trust.' For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from
the deadly pestilence; he will cover you with his pinions, and under his
wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler. You will
not fear the terror of the night, or the arrow that flies by day, or the
pestilence that stalks in darkness, or the destruction that wastes at
noonday. R

A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it
will not come near you. You will only look with your eyes and see the
punishment of the wicked. R

Because you have made the Lord your refuge, the Most High your
dwelling-place, no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent. R

For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your
ways. On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your
foot against a stone. You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion
and the serpent you will trample under foot. R

Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honour them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation. R
Psalm 91

A Reading from the letter of Corinthians

For I think that God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, as though sentenced to death, because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to mortals. We are fools for the sake of Christ, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honour, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we are hungry and thirsty, we are poorly clothed and beaten and homeless, and we grow weary from the work of our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we speak kindly. We have become like the rubbish of the world, the dregs of all things, to this very day. I am not writing this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you might have ten thousand guardians in Christ, you do not have many fathers. Indeed, in Christ Jesus I became your father through the gospel. I Corinthians 4: 9 - 15
The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Procession # 560 'God Whose Almighty Word'

Reader The Lord be with you. People And also with you.
The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Saint Luke
People Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

A dispute also arose among them as to which one of them was to be regarded as the greatest. But he said to them, 'The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. But not so with you; rather the greatest among you must become like the youngest, and the leader like one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. 'You are those who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer on you, just as my Father has conferred on me, a kingdom, so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. Saint Luke 22: 24 -30
The Gospel of Christ. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

REFLECTION ~ Kathy Lucking

We thank Kathy Lucking for visiting with us this morning. Thanks are also extended to the Congregation for their support of the Madagascar School Project.

The Apostles 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.

Diocesan Cycle: Parish of St May's, Rev. Joel Hardy and Hannah; Parish of Clements, Rev. Gordon Neish.
Local Ministerial: St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Rev. Dr. Laurence Mawhinney and Marion; Please continue to hold Father Michael Mitchell and his wife, Holly in your prayers.
Fisheries: Adams & Knickle - Maude Adams;
Clearwater - Atlantic Protector; Tall Ship - 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,
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 #471 'Let My People Seek Their Freedom'

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

Faithful God, receive all we offer you this day. May we, like all your apostles, so live the life of Christ that your Church may be the sign of salvation to all nations of the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the 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.

CP #719 Holy, holy, holy Lord

God of power, 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. (Sung)

CP #720 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 Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours almighty Father, now and forever. Amen. (Sung 3x)

CP #721

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence to God our Father in heaven.

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 CP# 745

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
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 #84 'Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendour'

Prayer After Communion

God of our salvation, you have fed us at the table of your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord. Lead us in his way of service, that your
kingdom may be known on earth. We ask this in his name. 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

In welcoming others, may we welcome Christ and be welcomed by
Christ, 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 #601 'God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending'

Postlude Music

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NOTICES

ANNUAL FISHERMEN'S MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Annual Fishermen's Memorial Service to honour those who have
been lost at sea from Lunenburg County ports will be held on Sunday,
September 10th on the Lunenburg waterfront at 2pm. The Blessing of the
Fleet will follow. Everyone is welcome to attend.

VOLUNTEER TOUR GUIDE PROGRAM

The Student Tour Guides will soon be heading back to university. We are
once again looking for volunteers to help out with the Tour Guide
Program. Shifts are flexible. Anyone wishing to volunteer, please contact
Jane Ritcey Moore in person or at home 902-275-4834 and leave a
message.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Welcome back to Sunday School on September 10th, at 10:30. We will all meet at the church for our youth message and continue to the parish hall for regular lesson and activity time. And questions please contact Rena Demone 902-277-0826.

CHURCH HUMOUR

More do you know your Hymns

The Gossip's Hymn.....Pass It On

The Electricians's Hymn.....Send The Light

The Shopper's Hymn.....Sweet Bye and Bye

The Realtor's Hymn....I've Got a Mansion Just over the Hilltop

The Massage Therapists Hymn.....He Touched Me

The Doctor's Hymn.....The Great Physician

And for those who speed on the highway a few hymns:

45mph.....God Will Take Care of You

65mph.....Nearer My God to Thee

85mph.....This World is Not My Home

95mph.....Lord, I'm Coming Home

100mph.....Precious Memories



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Have a great week folks!