

# St. John's Anglican Church

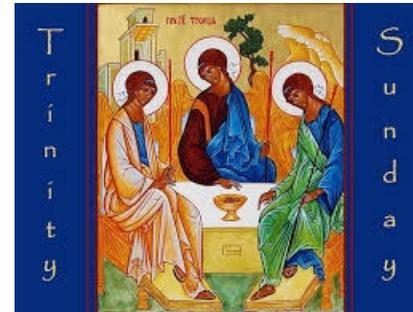
Lunenburg, Nova Scotia

Priest-in-Charge: Reverend Alvin Westgate  
 Organist & Choir Director: Barbara Butler

*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.*

## Alvin's Message

Welcome to the Church of Saint John this morning.



Today we shift our focus to our faith. From Advent to Pentecost of the Church's year of grace we have focussed our attention to events in Jesus's life. We celebrated His incarnation (birth), the visit of the Magi, His Baptism, His temptation, His death and passion, His resurrection, His appearances to His followers, His ascension, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Today we celebrate the greatest mystery of our faith - The Holy Trinity. The mystery is this: that God is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It is a mystery that has been revealed to us by God over the ages and on the writings of sacred scriptures. This mystery is not an easy subject to talk about, rather, we are invited to gaze into the mystery of God much like the Prophets of Old, the Monks, and the Mystics. One can not plunge into this mystery, for if we do then, we will become confused and lost. Jesus, revealed to us the mystery of Abba, and of His love for us; Jesus, revealed to us the mystery of the Son, the Father and 2 are one; Jesus, revealed to us the mystery of the Holy Spirit who binds us together as children of God. The mystery of the trinity accompanies us on our daily pilgrimage.

*Alvin+*

### LAY MINISTERS TODAY

Lay Reader: 10:30 am Charlene Demone  
 Lectors: 8:30 am Linda Macdonald, Roxie Smith  
 10:30am Sunday School  
 Sidespersons: Barbara Nowe, Lillian Keeping; Server: Aisling Curtin

### NEXT SUNDAY JUNE 3RD

Lay Readers: 10:30 am Robert MacMillan  
 Lectors: 8:30 am Cathy Ramey, Duncan Crowdis  
 10:30am Lynn Ellis, Hazel Oliver  
 Sidespersons: Lynn Ellis, Blair Shaw; Server: Aisling Curtin

# The Holy Eucharist

Communion Setting "Missa Nova in C" - Tilley

Prelude: Arabeske - Schumann

Hymn #430 'Will You Come and Follow Me'

## The Gathering of the Community

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

All 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 ~Morgan Nodding

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.

## The Proclamation of the Word

### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF ISAIAH ~Jasmine Saunders

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God. ISAIAH 6:1-8

### PSALM 29 ~ Emmi & Libby Fraser

#### PSALM REFRAIN Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. R

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters. The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour. R

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon; He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox. R

The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare. And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, "Glory!" R

The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore. The Lord shall give strength to his people; the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace. R

#### A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE ROMANS

~Peyton Nickerson

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh - for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ - if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

ROMANS 8:12-17

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### Hymn 'Gracious Spirit Heed Our Pleading'

1. Gracious Spirit, heed our pleading, fashion us all anew.  
It's your leading that we're needing, help us to follow you  
Refrain: Come, come, come, Holy Spirit come (repeat)

2. Come to teach us, come to nourish those who believe in Christ.  
Bless the faithful, may they flourish, strengthened by grace unpriced.  
Refrain: Come, come, come, Holy Spirit come (repeat)
3. Guide our thinking and our speaking done in your holy name.  
Motivate all in their seeking, freeing from guilt and shame.  
Refrain: Come, come, come, Holy Spirit come (repeat)

#### GOSPEL ~Hughie Fraser

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

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can

one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him." JOHN 3:1-17

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

The Prayers of the People Please kneel or sit for the prayers.  
Response: Lord, hear us in your love.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for The Anglican Church of Korea, The Most Revd Onesimus Dongsin Park, Primate of the Anglican Church of Korea & Bishop of Busan.  
Diocesan Cycle: Pray for St. James', Armdale, Rev Rachael Parker and Robert, Rev Canon David Boston, Hon. Assistant; St. George's, Halifax, Rev Nicholas Hatt; St. Margaret of Scotland, Halifax, Rev Canon Charles Bull and Michelle.  
Local Ministerial: Pray for the congregation of Central United Church and Rev. Grace Caines-Corkum and Barry.  
Fisheries: Adams & Knickle - Maude Adams;  
Clearwater - Atlantic Protector; Tall Ship - Picton Castle.



# SUNDAY SCHOOL PRESENTATION

Sunday School Closing 2018

Brooke Nodding, presenting to Part Time Youth Assistants: Serenity Holdbrook, Olivia Romkey, and Jasmine Saunders.

Hughie Fraser, presenting to Full Time Youth Assistants: Laura Eisnor and Alex Payne

Christina Pottie, presenting to Bursary: Alex Payne.

Lori Nickerson and Louise Holdbrook, presenting to Grade II: Kaylee Fox, Libby Fraser, Nolan Green, Nevaeha Holdbrook, Peyton Nickerson, and Morgan Nodding.

Wayne Dodge, presenting to Grade I: Caden Fox, Lydia Green, and Parker Spindler.

Emmi Fraser and Alexandria Acton-Bond, presenting to Kindergarten: Eadlin Fraser, Ellen Spence, Tenley Spindler, and Lexi Wagner.

Chasity Spindler and Missy Romkey, presenting to Pre-kindergarten: John Eisener, Casey Fox, Olivia Francis, Acton-Bond, Skipper Hayson, and Leah Spence.

Dr. Rev. Wendell Eisener leads the Sunday School singing "This Little Light of Mine"

## The Celebration of the Eucharist

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.

## The Preparation of the Gifts

Offertory Hymn #414 'God of the Sparrow'

The Prayer over the Gifts ~Kaylee Fox

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

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 Lord, (Sung)  
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. (Sung)  
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; 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 for ever. Amen.

## 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 says:

Celebrant "I am the bread of life," says the Lord.

"Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes  
in me will never thirst."

All Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are they who trust in him!

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

## The Communion

Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you take away the sins,  
the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you take away the sins,  
the sins of the world, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, Lamb of God, you take away the sins,  
the sins of the world,  
Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

*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.*

Communion Hymns #63 'Eat This Bread'; #60 'I Come with  
Joy'; #256 'Yours the Hand That Made Creation'

Prayer after Communion ~Peyton Nickerson

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 and Sending Out

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts  
and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus  
Christ our Lord. The blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son,  
and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.  
Amen.

Go in joyful hope to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!  
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

## Recessional Hymn

#309 'Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet'

Postlude: Sortie – Franck

## NOTICES

The News Letters are ready for pickup. Please take your neighbour's if  
possible.

The Ladies Guild Sandwich Take Out fundraiser will be held Wed, May  
30th. Tickets are available. We are looking for a few extra kitchen  
volunteers from 9am-11am. As well we need drivers to help with food  
deliveries. Please contact Susan MacMillan 902-634-3019.

## FATHER'S DAY MEMORIALS

Anyone wishing to place a Father's Day Memorial, please contact the  
Parish Office (902-634-4994) by Wednesday, June 13. We will graciously  
accept donations of any amount.

Vital Church Maritimes 2018

"Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Hands." Nov 8-10, Truro, NS.  
Pamphlets available at parish office. Online details: [www.nspeidiocese.ca](http://www.nspeidiocese.ca)

**Music Announcements:**

Appreciation is extended to all of you who attended evensong last Sunday with Capella Regalis Men and Boys Choir. It was a memorable event with power being restored half way through the service. \$1,800 has been raised to provide needed support to the parish of Rev. Gillian Ball in Mexico, which suffered severe earthquake damage. Thank you so much for your contribution.

**Musique Royale Events at St. John's Church**

**A Choral Feast with 4 exceptional Choirs!**

This afternoon at 3 pm - Aeolian Singers - The Road Home: Songs of Wandering and Welcome

Sunday, June 3 at 4 pm - Halifax Camerata Singers

Friday, June 15 at 7 pm - Eastern Horizon Choir

Thurs., June 28 at 7 pm- Les Petits Chanteurs du Mont Royal

All tickets are \$20, available at Shop on the Corner and at the door



**An old Celtic Prayer on the Holy Trinity**

*Three folds of the cloth, yet only one napkin is there,  
Three joints in the finger, but still only one finger fair,  
Three leaves of the shamrock, yet no more than one shamrock to wear,  
Frost, snowflakes and ice, all in water their origin share,  
Three Persons in God: to one God alone we make our prayer.*

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**CHURCH HUMOUR:** After a church service on Sunday morning, a young boy suddenly announced to his mother,

"Mom, I've decided to become a minister when I grow up."

"That's okay with us, but what made you decide that?"

"Well," said the little boy, "I have to go to church on Sunday anyway,

And I figure it will be more fun to stand up and yell, than to sit and listen."