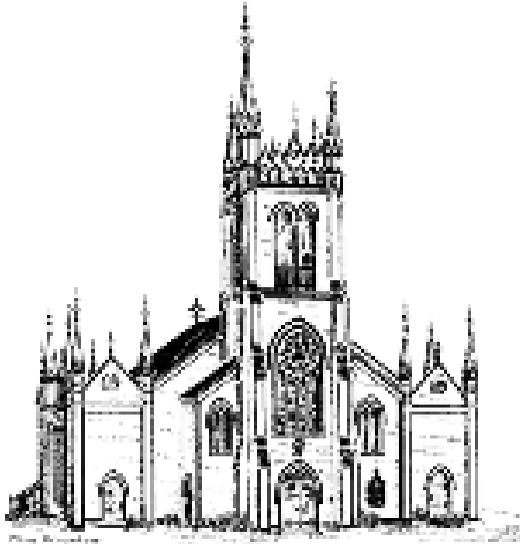


PENTECOST XVIII    SUNDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER, 2018  
ALL FAMILIES SERVICE



ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH  
LUNENBURG, N.S.

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

PRELUDE: *Morning*.....Edvard Grieg

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: *Will You Come and Follow Me*.....CP 430

### THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C. **And also with you.**

P. Almighty God,

C. **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.**

*The KYRIE is sung by the choir and then sung by all as a round (6 parts):*

Lord, have mer- cy, Christ have mer- cy, Lord, have mer - cy. A \_\_\_\_\_ men.\_\_\_\_

### THE PRAYER OF THE DAY ~ *Brooke & Morgan Nodding*

L. The Lord be with you.

C. **And also with you.**

L. Let us pray...

Almighty God,

you have created the heavens and the earth,  
and ourselves in your image.

Teach us to see your hand in all your works  
and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever

C. **Amen.**

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

*A reading from the Letter of Saint James:*

Are any of you wise or sensible? Then show it by living right and by being humble and wise in everything you do. But if your heart is full of bitter jealousy and selfishness, don't brag or lie to cover up the truth. This kind of wisdom doesn't come from above. It is earthly and selfish and comes from the devil himself. Whenever people are jealous or selfish, they cause trouble and do all sorts of cruel things. But the wisdom that comes from above leads us to be pure, friendly, gentle, sensible, kind, helpful, genuine, and sincere. When peacemakers plant seeds of peace, they will harvest justice. Why do you fight and argue with each other? Isn't it because you are full of selfish desires that fight to control your body? You want something you don't have, and you will do anything to get it. You will even kill! But you still cannot get what you want, and you won't get it by fighting and arguing. You should pray for it. Yet even when you do pray, your prayers are not answered, because you pray just for selfish reasons. Surrender to God! Resist the devil, and he will run from you. Come near to God, and he will come near to you. [JAMES 3.13-4.3, 7-8A CEV]

L. The Word of the Lord

C. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 1 (*is read responsively*) ~ Lori & Peyton Nickerson

God blesses those people who refuse evil advice  
and won't follow sinners or join in sneering at God.

**Instead, they find happiness  
in the Teaching of the Lord,  
and they think about it day and night.**

They are like trees growing beside a stream,  
trees that produce fruit in season  
and always have leaves.

**Those people succeed in everything they do.  
That isn't true of those who are evil—  
they are like straw blown by the wind.**

Sinners won't have an excuse on the day of judgement,  
and they won't have a place with the people of God.

**The Lord protects everyone who follows him,  
but the wicked follow a road that leads to ruin.**

[CEV]

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *is sung by the choir and then by all as a round (4 parts):*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

L The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

L The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Mark.

C **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Jesus left with his disciples and started through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know about it, because he was teaching the disciples that the Son of Man would be handed over to people who would kill him. But three days later he would rise to life. The disciples did not understand what Jesus meant, and they were afraid to ask.

Jesus and his disciples went to his home in Capernaum. After they were inside the house, Jesus asked them, "What were you arguing about along the way?" They had been arguing about which one of them was the greatest, and so they did not answer.

After Jesus sat down and told the twelve disciples to gather around him, he said, "If you want the place of honour, you must become a slave and serve others!"

Then Jesus asked a child to stand near him. He put his arm around the child and said, "When you welcome even a child because of me, you welcome me. And when you welcome me, you welcome the one who sent me."

[ST MARK 9.30-37, CEV]

L The Gospel of Christ

C **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

FAMILY MESSAGE: Father Alvin Westgate

THE APOSTLES' CREED

- P. Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,  
**All 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

- L. Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people, according to their needs...  
For the Church throughout the world, that it may be a place of welcome for all;  
Lord, in your mercy,  
**C. Hear our prayer.**
- L. For Elizabeth our Queen, and for the rulers of the nations, that they may find true happiness in following the teaching of the Lord; Lord, in your mercy,  
**C. Hear our prayer.**
- L. For those who work on the land or at sea, for good weather, and for peaceful times, that they may enjoy the rewards of their labour; Lord, in your mercy,  
**C. Hear our prayer.**
- L. For the sick, the lonely, the frail, and the elderly, (*especially ...*) and for all who care for them; Lord, in your mercy,  
**C. Hear our prayer.**

- L. For this parish, that God in mercy will send us a faithful and loving pastor; Lord, in your mercy,
- C. **Hear our prayer.**
- L. For our own special needs, and for all who have desired our prayers (*pause*); Lord, in your mercy,
- C. **Hear our prayer.**
- L. For all who have died, (*especially ...*); Lord in your mercy,
- C. **Hear our prayer.**
- L. Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C. **Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

- P. 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.*
- P. Most merciful God,
- C. **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.**
- P. 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.
- C. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

- P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C. **And also with you.**

OFFERTORY HYMN..... *All Are Welcome*

1. Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,  
A place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;  
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions.  
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

2. Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and true,  
Where all God's children dare to seek, to dream God's reign anew.  
Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's grace;  
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus.  
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

3. Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and wheat:  
A banquet hall on holy ground where peace and justice meet.  
Here the love of God, through Jesus, is revealed in time and space;  
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us.  
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

4. Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and stone  
To heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and live the Word they've known.  
Here the outcast and the stranger, bear the image of God's face;  
Let us bring an end to fear and danger.  
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

5. Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions heard  
And loved and treasured, taught and claimed as words within the Word.  
Built of tears and cries and laughter, prayers of faith and songs of grace,  
Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter.  
All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS ~ *Peyton & Morgan*

L. God of power,  
the glory of your works fills us with wonder and awe.  
Accept our offering this day,  
and help us to live in peace and harmony  
with all your creation,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C. **Amen.**

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(FROM *COMMON PRAISE* OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND)

P. The Lord be with you.

C. **And also with you.**

P. Lift up your hearts.

C. **We lift them to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P. It is always right to give you thanks, God our Creator,  
 loving and faithful, holy and strong.  
 You made us and the whole universe,  
 and filled your world with life.

You sent your Son to live among us,  
 Jesus our Saviour, Mary's child.  
 He suffered on the cross;  
 he died to save us from our sins;  
 he rose in glory from the dead.

You send your Spirit to bring new life to the world,  
 and clothe us with power from on high.  
 And so we join the angels  
 to celebrate and sing:

*The SANCTUS is sung by the choir and then by all as a round (4 parts):*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord.

P. Father, on the night before he died, Jesus shared a meal with his friends.  
He took the bread, and thanked you. He broke it, and gave it to them, saying:

TAKE AND EAT; THIS IS MY BODY, GIVEN FOR YOU.  
DO THIS TO REMEMBER ME.

After the meal, Jesus took the cup of wine. He thanked you, and gave it to them, saying:

DRINK THIS, ALL OF YOU.  
THIS IS MY BLOOD, THE NEW PROMISE OF GOD'S UNFAILING LOVE.  
DO THIS TO REMEMBER ME.

Father, as we bring this bread and wine, and remember his death and resurrection,  
send your Holy Spirit, that we who share these gifts  
may be fed by Christ's body and his blood.

Pour your Spirit on us that we may love one another,  
work for the healing of the earth, and share the good news of Jesus,  
as we wait for his coming in glory.

For honour and praise belong to you, Father,  
with Jesus your Son, and the Holy Spirit: one God, for ever and ever.

*The GREAT AMEN is sung by the choir, then by all as a round (4 parts):*

The image displays four staves of musical notation for the Great Amen. Each staff is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/8 time signature. The notation consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a fermata over the letter 'A' at the beginning and the word 'men.' at the end of each staff. The four staves represent different parts of a round.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

P. Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**All. Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

P. Creator of all, you gave us golden fields of wheat,  
whose many grains we have gathered and made into this one bread.  
C. **So may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom.**  
P. The gifts of God for the people of God.  
C. **Thanks be to God.**

*The AGNUS DEI is sung by the choir, and then by all as a round (6 parts):*



## THE COMMUNION

## COMMUNION HYMNS

1. I'll love the Lord with all that lies inside me; I'll love the Lord with body, soul and mind (*repeat*)  
And every goodness, every blessing in the Lord I'll find (*repeat*)  
I'll love the Lord with all that lies inside me; I'll love the Lord with body, soul and mind
2. I'll walk the path that Christ has walked before me, I'll give my Yes to him who gave me all (*repeat*)  
In ev'ry sound and ev'ry silence I will hear his call (*repeat*)  
I'll walk the path that Christ has walked before me, I'll give my Yes to him who gave me all.
3. I'll let my life be open to God's Spirit to make me new and set my heart on fire. (*repeat*)  
More than all things God's peace and presence are what I desire. (*repeat*)  
I'll let my life be open to God's Spirit to make me new and set my heart on fire.
4. I'll love the Lord (as verse 1)

*God of the Sparrow* ..... CP 414

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION and DOXOLOGY

- L. Let us pray...  
Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C. **Amen.**
- P. Glory to God,  
C. **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**

## THE BENEDICTION and DISMISSAL

- P. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.  
C. **Amen.**  
P. Go in peace. Serve the Lord.  
C. **Thanks be to God.**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: *All Things Bright and Beautiful* ..... CP 416

POSTLUDE: "September" from *The Seasons*..... P. I. Tchaikovsky

## **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

The Sunday School invites you to join them for The Blessing of the Animals in the church courtyard on Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm.

## **ANNUAL ACW REGIONAL MEETING**

All Anglican women are invited to the Annual ACW Regional Meeting at St. Barnabas Anglican Church Parish Hall, Blue Rocks on Wednesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. Registration begins at 9:30am and Eucharist is at 10:30am. Guest speaker will be Liz Finney, Fund Development Director of Bonny Lea Farm. Lunch will be served at 12 noon. Cost is \$10. Please let Barbara Nowe know if you are interested in attending no later than September 29<sup>th</sup>. Phone 902-634-4473.

## **ACW FLEA MARKET AND CANTEEN**

St. John's A.C.W. will be hosting a Flea Market and Luncheon Canteen in the Parish Hall on Saturday, October 20, from 10 am - 1 pm. There will be many Treasures and a large Bake Table filled with "goodies" to purchase. The Luncheon Canteen this year will feature A.C.W.'s famous LOBSTER ROLLS, Haddock Chowder and home-made desserts. Come have some fun shopping and enjoy the good food. Donations from parishioners, for the bake table, including pickles, jams, jellies, etc. would be greatly appreciated. All donations for the flea market tables should be new or gently used. No large appliances or large furniture items please. Proceeds from this event will be given to St. John's to support the on-going work of the church.

## **THANKSGIVING NEWSLETTERS**

The deadline for articles to be published in the Thanksgiving Newsletter is **midday Monday September 24<sup>th</sup>**. Contact for submissions is newsletter editor **Brian Kenefick** *telephone: 902-764-2145; email: [cynffig@eastlink.ca](mailto:cynffig@eastlink.ca)*

**Reserve the date - Congregational BBQ on Sept 30 following 10:30 service.**

## **LAY MINISTERS TODAY**

**Lay Reader: 10:30 am** Susan MacMillan

**Lectors: 8:30 am** Ben Smith, Roxie Smith

**10:30 am** Sunday School; **Sidespersons: 10:30 am** Oran & Heather Hyson

## **NEXT SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 30TH**

**Lay Reader: 10:30 am** Velvet Eliuk

**Lectors: 8:30 am** Linda Macdonald, Susan Foote

**10:30 am** John Collins, Haigh Carthew; **Sidespersons: 10:30 am** Oran & Heather Hyson