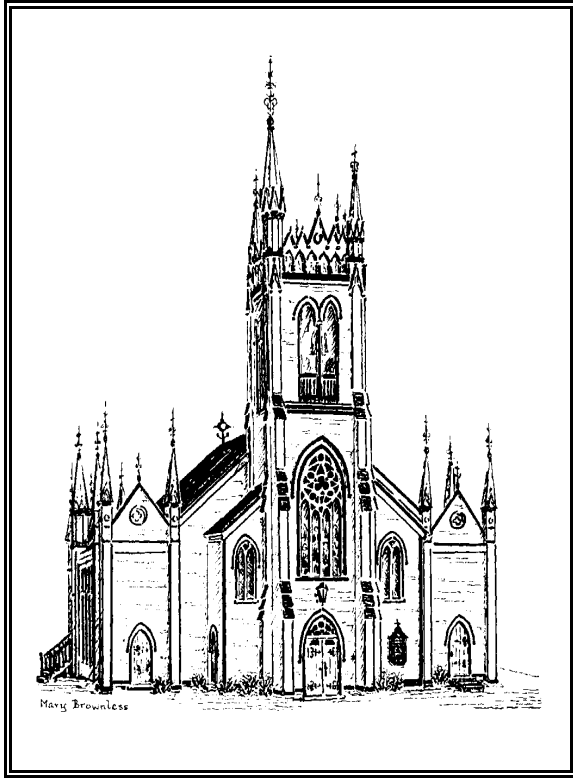


Morning Prayer with Baptism



St. John's Anglican Church

Lunenburg, Nova Scotia

Rector: The Rev. 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.*

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Prelude: Prelude in G – J.S. Bach

Announcements and Welcome

The Gathering of the Community

Please stand for Processional Hymn

Processional Hymn #394 Eternal, Unchanging (St. Denio)



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.**

Celebrant There is one body and one Spirit,

All **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Celebrant One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

All **One God and Father of all.**

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant Let us pray. *The community may pray silently. The celebrant then sings or says the collect.*

A READING FROM THE SECOND BOOK OF SAMUEL

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty-thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals. So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obededom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David,

Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart. They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes. **2 SAMUEL 6:1-5, 12B-19**
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Call by Ralph Vaughn Williams – *soloist, Bruce Fifer*

PSALM REFRAIN The King of glory shall come in.

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and all who dwell therein. For it is he who founded it upon the seas and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep. **R**

*"Who can ascend the hill of the Lord? and who can stand in his holy place?" "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud. **R** They shall receive a blessing from the Lord and a just reward from the God of their salvation." Such is the generation of those who seek him, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob. **R***

Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. *"Who is this King of glory?" "The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle." **R***

Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in. *"Who is he, this King of glory?" "The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory." **R*** **PSALM 24**

A READING FROM THE SECOND LETTER OF PAUL TO THE EPHESIANS

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in

heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

EPHESIANS 1:3-14

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Procession #101 Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Reader The Lord be with you. *People* **And also with you.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
ACCORDING TO MARK**

People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised." For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

MARK 6:14-29

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

Sermon

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

The celebrant says,

I invite the families of the candidates for Holy Baptism to now stand.

Then the candidate is presented by the parents and sponsors, saying,

I present *N* to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is nurtured in the faith and life of the Christian community?

Parents and sponsors, I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and sponsors, I will, with God's help.

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Saviour?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

The celebrant addresses the congregation, saying,

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ? *People* **We will.**

Prayers for the Candidates

The celebrant then says to the congregation,

Let us now pray for *Emma and Zachary* who are to receive the sacrament of new birth.

Leader Deliver them O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open *their hearts* to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill *them* with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach *them* to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send *them* into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring *them* to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Other prayers may be added.

The leader concludes,

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

Baptismal Hymn #35"Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters"

The Celebration of Baptism Thanksgiving over the Water

The Lord be with you. *People* **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Celebrant We give you thanks, almighty God and Father, for by the gift of water you nourish and sustain all living things.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Celebrant We give you thanks that through the waters of the Red Sea, you led your people out of slavery to freedom in the promised land.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Celebrant We give you thanks for sending your Son Jesus. For us he was baptized by John in the river Jordan. For us he was anointed as Christ by your Holy Spirit. For us he suffered the baptism of his own death and resurrection, setting us free from the bondage of sin and death, and opening to us the joy and freedom of everlasting life.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Celebrant We give you thanks for your Holy Spirit who teaches us and leads us into all truth, filling us with his gifts so that we might proclaim the gospel to all nations and serve you as a royal priesthood.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

Celebrant We give you thanks for you have called *N* to new life through the waters of baptism.
Now sanctify this water, that your servants who are washed in it may be made one with Christ in his death and resurrection, to be cleansed and delivered from all sin.
Anoint them with your Holy Spirit and bring them to new birth in the family of your Church, that they may become inheritors of your glorious kingdom. We give you praise and honour and worship through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

All **Blessed are you, our strength and song, and our salvation.**

The Baptismal Covenant

Let us renew the vows of our own baptism as we lift our voices in song:

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.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbour as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

The Baptism

The candidate is presented by name to the celebrant, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying,
N, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The celebrant makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of each one using holy chrism oil, saying to each,
I sign you with the cross + and mark you as Christ's own for ever.

The celebrant and families proceed to the chancel, where the newly baptized is presented to the congregation with the following prayer.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace.

Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit.

Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

The Giving of the Light

The newly baptized are presented with a lighted candle, saying,

Celebrant Receive the light of Christ,
to show that you have passed from darkness to light.
**Let your light so shine before others
that they may see your good works
and glorify your Father in heaven.**

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

People **We receive you into the household of God.
Confess the faith of Christ crucified,
proclaim his resurrection,
and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

The Peace *All stand, and the celebrant addresses the people.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.** *We greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

Offertory Hymn #520 The King of Love My Shepherd Is

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. As the gifts are received, all sing:

Your work, O God, needs many hands to help you everywhere, and some there are who cannot serve unless our gifts we share. Because we love you and your work, our offering now we make: be pleased to use it as your own, we ask for Jesus' sake.

The Prayer Over The Gifts *Read by celebrant*

Father, your word creates in us a yearning for your kingdom. Receive all we offer you this day, and keep us in your peace; for the sake of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

United with our newly baptized and with Christians everywhere, we 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.

Closing Prayer

God our Father, we have welcomed into the church on earth these newly baptized. May each of us renew our commitment to love you with mind, body and soul. Following the example of Christ, let us send no one away empty, exclude no one, classify no one, nor build walls around ourselves or others. Help us to take all the risks of love, which became visible in 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 & Dismissal

Warmed by the love of God, may we let its glow shine on all those around us, and may the blessing of almighty God: the Father, + and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with us now and evermore. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Recession Hymn #371 God of Grace and God of Glory

Postlude: Dialogue – Clerambault

LAY MINISTERS TODAY

Lay Reader: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer
10:30 am Roger & Charlene Demone

Lectors 8:30 am: Barbara Eisenhauer, Mabel Hardiman

Lectors 10:30 am: Robert MacMillan, Joyce Buckmaster

Sidespersons: Mary King, Susan MacMillan

Hostesses: Ann Grandy, Carolyn White

NEXT SUNDAY JULY 19

Lay Readers: 8:30 am Bill Black; 10:30 am Velvet Eliuk, Sharon Green

Sidespersons: Velvet & Leslie Eliuk; **Hostesses:** Carrie & Audrey Skinner

NOTICES

At our 10:30 Service, we celebrate the baptism of **Emma Rose Tanner** daughter of Richard and Heidi Tanner; **Zachary James Ernst**, son of Richard Ernst and Jennifer Morris-Ernst. We join in praying that these children will grow to know the Lord's great love for them and be a part of the family of the church. Baptism provides an opportunity for all of us to renew our own relationship with God.

*Flowers in church are **In Loving Memory of June Tanner** placed by Carolyn, Rick, Pamela, Cathy and Beth.*

We are delighted to welcome Bruce Fifer to our service this morning. Bruce has sung with many leading orchestras and vocal ensembles in the USA and has performed as a soloist under some of the world's most esteemed conductors (Leonard Bernstein, Pierre Boulez, Sir Neville Mariner, Michael Tilson Thomas and Robert Shaw.) He has done extensive opera work, with over 40 opera roles in his repertoire. Bruce Fifer is a co-founder of the Philadelphia Singers and Chorus America. For 22 years, he worked in New York's Cathedral of St. John the Divine and is currently Head of the Arts Department and Choral Director at the Taft School in Watertown, Connecticut.

SUMMER MUSIC AT ST. JOHN'S

Orchid Ensemble ~ Thursday, July 16 at 7:30 pm

Boxwood Festival and Workshop Week

Sunday, July 19, 7:30 pm – Tempest Baroque Ensemble

Tuesday, July 21, 7:30 pm – From Old to New

Wednesday July 22, 7:30 pm – Ceili Dance in the Parish Hall

Friday July 24, 7:30 pm – Boxwood Finale Concert

Saturday July 25, 6 PM – Burns Supper at Lunenburg & Dist. Fire Hall

Sunday July 26 at 10:30 am – Boxwood at 10:30 morning worship

Lunenburg Folk Harbour Festival ~ August 6 - 9

Ensemble Polaris ~ Thursday, August 13 at 7:30 pm

Studio de musique ancienne de Montréal ~ Sunday, August 23 at 10:30 morning worship service

Nova Scotia Youth Orchestra ~ Saturday, August 29 at 7:30 pm

Suzie LeBlanc, soprano; Mark Simons, clarinet; Robert

Kortgaard, piano ~ Saturday, Sept 19 at 7:30 pm

Musical Interludes with Jim Aulenbach in July and August ~

Mon., Wed., Fri., Sun. at 3:30 pm(except concert days)

Chimes will ring Mon., Wed. and Fri. at 5 pm and on Tues., Thurs. and Sat. at 2 pm.

NEWSLETTER

It is time to submit your articles to Brian Kenefick for the Summer Newsletter. Please email your announcements to him by July 29 at cynffig@eastlink.ca

A **Cursillo Ultreya** will be held at Trinity Anglican, Liverpool July 16, starting with a potluck meal at 6 pm. The theme for all Ultreyas is transforming the world for Christ through music, sharing and fellowship. Everyone is welcome.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for The Rt. Rev'd. Dr. Kenneth Stevenson, Canterbury, England.

Diocesan Cycle: The Parish of Fall River, Reverend Marian Conrad and Michael, Reverend Jim Reid, Honorary Assistant, and Beryl; **The Parish of French Village,** Reverend Mark Marshall and Daphne; **The Parish of Hackett's Cove,** Reverend Tom Kerr, Priest-in-Charge, and Aileen.

Local Ministerial: The Congregation of Central United Church and Rev'd Grace Caines-Corkum.

Fisheries: Adams & Knickle - **Cachalot I;** Clearwater - **Tenacity;** **Joides Resolution**

Have a blessed week. We look forward to welcoming you back next Sunday. Here are our numbers if you need to reach us.

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An Old English Prayer

Give us, O Lord, a bit of sun, a bit o' fun; Give us in all the struggle
and sputter Our daily bread and a bit o' butter;
Give us health, our keep to make, An' a bit to spare for other's sake;
Give us, too, a bit of song and a tale; And a book to help us along.
Give us, Lord, a chance to be Our goodly best - brave, wise, and free,
Our goodly best for ourselves and others, Till all men learn to live as
brothers.