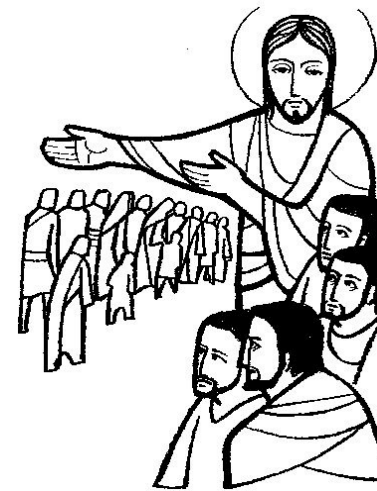


# St. John's Anglican Church

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



This Sunday, during the vacation of our Rector Michael, we welcome to St. John's, a well known retired priest in our Region, the Rev. Barbara Minard. Rev. Barbara will also be with us next week.

We live in times that are tough and challenging for many people. The world economic crisis is never far from home. All the more essential for us to keep our hearts open to the needs of others and not allow ourselves to become closed or mean spirited.

We see in Jesus, our model of compassion and caring. Jesus shows us that God is particularly close to those who need God most: the weak, those who suffer, those who count for nothing. This is the love he invites us to have for each other: deep, tender, lasting, not afraid of showing itself. Let us ask Jesus here with us in the Eucharist for such a compassionate and committed love.

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER**

A reminder that Confirmation classes for young people and for adults seeking Confirmation or a renewal of faith, will begin in September. The program will take place on Sundays in September and October, from 5pm - 8pm. ALL ARE WELCOME.

**LAY MINISTERS TODAY**

**Lay Readers:** **8:30 am** Bill Black; **10:30 am** Velvet Eliuk, Sharon Green  
**Lectors:** **8:30 am** Gill Osmond, Roxie Smith  
**10:30am** Joyce Buckmaster, Sharon Green  
**Sidespersons:** Velvet & Leslie Eliuk; **Hostesses:** Carrie & Audrey Skinner

**NEXT SUNDAY JULY 26TH**

**Lay Readers:** **8:30 am** Barbara Eisenhauer  
**10:30 am** Sharon Green, Susan MacMillan  
**Lectors:** **8:30 am** Barbara Eisenhauer, Shirley Woods  
**10:30am** Ann Grandy, Bruce Holdbrook; **Sidespersons:** Velvet & Leslie Eliuk  
**Hostesses:** Stephanie MacPhee, June Coote

# The Holy Eucharist

*Sung Setting "Mass of Creation" by Marty Haugen.*

**Prelude: Gavotte - Boyce**

**Announcements**

## The Gathering of the Community

*Please stand for Processional Hymn*

**Processional Hymn #5** Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

### 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 - Said

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray that in the storms of life we may trust in the Lord. *The community may pray silently. The celebrant then sings or says the collect.*

Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence. Give us pure hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Proclamation of the Word

### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF SAMUEL

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the Lord is with you." But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan: Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.

2 SAMUEL 7:1-14A

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

**Solo:** Sheep May Safely Graze by J.S. Bach – *soloist, Mary Knickle*

**PSALM REFRAIN I will keep my love for him for ever.**

I have found David my servant; with my holy oil have I anointed him. My hand will hold him fast and my arm will make him strong. **R**

No enemy shall deceive him, nor any wicked man bring him down. I will crush his foes before him and strike down those who hate him. **R**

My faithfulness and love shall be with him, and he shall be victorious through my name. I shall make his dominion extend from the Great Sea to the River. **R**

He will say to me, 'You are my Father, my God, and the rock of my salvation.' I will make him my firstborn and higher than the kings of the earth. **R**

I will keep my love for him for ever, and my covenant will stand firm for him. I will establish his line for ever and his throne as the days of heaven. **R**

If his children forsake my law and do not walk according to my judgements; If they break my statutes and do not keep my commandments; I will punish their transgressions with a rod and their iniquities with the lash; **R**

But I will not take my love from him, nor let my faithfulness prove false. I will not break my covenant, nor change what has gone out of my lips. Once for all I have sworn by my holiness: 'I will not lie to David. **R**

*His line shall endure for ever and his throne as the sun before me; It shall stand fast for evermore like the moon, the abiding witness in the sky."* **R** PSALM 89:20-37

**A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE EPHESIANS**

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" - a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands - remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with

the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God. EPHESIANS 2:11-22

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

**Gospel Procession #328** Lo, God is Here! Let Us Adore

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**



The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a

shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed. MARK 6:30-34, 53-56

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

**Sermon**

We are delighted to welcome Mary Knickle to our service this morning. Mary is a native of Lunenburg and grew up in a family of musicians and storytellers. Those influences have guided her career and she has contributed much to the musical life of Lunenburg County and beyond. Her recent album "Weave" shows Mary's strong connection to the sea.

**The Creed** *Together with Christians all over the world, 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.**

### 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.

**People 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 #592** *Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life 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. 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.*

○ God, accept our praise and thanksgiving. Help us in all we do to offer ourselves as a true and living sacrifice; through 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.

(Sung) **Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power, God of 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;  
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)

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*With Jesus our Lord, we pray to the Father that we may always do his will.*

**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**

**Jesus Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus Bread of life, you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus Prince of Peace you take away the sin of the world,  
have mercy on us.**

**Jesus 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.*

You are reminded of the Bishop's directive that the normative manner for  
Anglicans to receive Holy Communion is by taking from the common cup.  
Intinction (dipping the bread into the wine) is not an acceptable practice.

*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.*

*(Please join the choir in singing the Communion Hymn)*

**Communion Hymn #60 "I Come with Joy"**

## Prayer After Communion

O God, as we are strengthened in these holy mysteries, may our lives be a continual offering, holy and acceptable in your sight; through 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

Do not be afraid, for the Father loves us.  
Do not be afraid, for Christ walks by our side.  
Do not be afraid, for the Holy Spirit will give us courage.  
Do not be afraid, for we are in God's hands.  
Go and face life and bear witness to God's love with the blessing of almighty God, the Father, + and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Recessional Hymn #379** Rejoice the Lord is King

**Postlude: Fugue - Mendelssohn**

**Prayer of Trust** by Charles de Foucauld

*God, I entrust myself to you.*

*Do with me what you want.*

*Whatever you wish to do with me, I thank you.*

*I am ready for everything, I accept everything.*

*Provided your will be done in me and in all your creatures, I desire nothing else, my God. I place my soul into your hands, I give it to you, my God, with all the love of my heart, because I love you, because it is to me a demand of love to give myself, to commit myself to you without reserve, with an unlimited trust, for you are my Father.*

## NOTICES

We are looking for Lectors at our 8:30 am services. If you are interested in reading please call Mary at the office 634-4994.

## SUMMER MUSIC AT ST. JOHN'S

### 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](mailto:cynffig@eastlink.ca)

The **Diocese of the Arctic** sent a letter to the parish updating us on the work being carried out on the 'Igloo Church' and the ongoing efforts as their fundraising continues. Donations may be made at: Diocese of the Arctic, PO Box 190, Yellowknife, NT X1A 2N2 or online through the Diocese of the Arctic at [CanadaHelps.org](http://CanadaHelps.org). Check out their website at [www.arcticnet.org](http://www.arcticnet.org) Their letter and pamphlet are posted on the bulletin board at the Parish Hall.

There will be one Crousetown Summer Concert this summer at St. Mary's Anglican Church in Crousetown on Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. featuring Megan Boyko – cello; Peter Dunn – violin; Bruce Fifer – bass-baritone; Phyllis Knox – soprano; Garth MacPhee – organ; Sarah Myatt – mezzo soprano; the Talisker Scholars and Trio 1795. A reception will follow at the Petite Riviere Vineyards. There will be a free will offering in lieu of admission. For more information visit [www.prnd.ca](http://www.prnd.ca) or call 543-2040.