



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.*



Welcome to St. John's as we celebrate the Sixth Sunday of Easter. This day across North America, we give thanks for all Mothers. In our prayer today, may we give thanks for our mothers and for everyone who has loved us with a mother's love. Jesus shows us over and over again the way to love. It often involves sacrifice, focussing on the needs of others, as well as loving ourselves and caring for our own needs. It is never an easy balance. Time spent in prayer with the Lord gives each of us the strength and direction we need to make right decisions for ourselves and our loved ones.

At the 10:30 am Service, we mark the close of our Sunday School over the summer. There is much to give thanks for with the growing involvement of children and parents. As always, the challenge as children grow older, is to keep our children and parents active in Sunday School and in Sunday worship. We see some positive signs of this happening with our fledging youth ministry. All of these activities, like everything else in a parish, depend upon volunteers ready to share their faith and love of Christ. It is an awesome thing to share one's time, energy and faith with young people, for by it, we are building the Church of God. Today, we give thanks to God for the blessing of our Sunday School and for all the children, teachers, parents and friends who support it. Let us also ask ourselves, what we can do more to uphold our young people at St. John's. Have a great week!

Father Michael +

Mother's Day - Carol Matthews

A Mother loves right from the start. She holds her baby close to her heart. The bond that grows will never falter. Her love is so strong it will never alter. A Mother gives never ending Love. She never feels that she has given enough. For you she will always do her best. Constantly working, there's no time to rest. A Mother is there when things go wrong. A hug and a kiss to help us along. Always there when we need her near. Gently wipes our eyes when we shed a tear. So on this day shower your Mother with Love. Gifts and presents are nice but that is not enough. Give your Mother a day to have some peace of mind. Be gentle, be good, be helpful, be kind. Happy Mothers Day



Family Service with Closing of Sunday School

Prelude: Adagio from Sonata in Eb Major - Mozart

Announcements

Please stand for Processional Hymn

Processional Hymn "Part of the Family"

***Come in, come in and sit down, you are a part of the family.
We are lost and we are found, and we are a part of the family.***

You know the reason why you came, yet no reason can explain;
so share in the laughter and cry in the pain, for we are a part of the family.
God is with us in this place, like a mother's warm embrace.
We're all forgiven by God's grace, for we are a part of the family.

Children and elders, middlers and teens, singles and doubles and in-betweens,
strong eighty-fivers and street-wise sixteens, for we are a part of the family.
Greeters and shoppers, long-time and new, nobody here has a claim on a pew;
And whether we're many or whether we're few, we are a part of the family.

There's life to be shared in the bread and the wine;
we are the branches, Christ is the vine.
This is God's temple, it's not yours or mine, but we are a part of the family.
There's rest for the weary and health for us all;
there's a yoke that is easy, and a burden that's small.
So come in and worship and answer the call, for we are a part of the family.

The Gathering of the Community

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Celebrant May his grace and peace be with you.

People **May he fill our hearts with joy.**

Youth Welcome everyone, especially all children and all mothers.

People **We gather in Christ's holy name.**

Youth Today we mark the closing of our Sunday school year.
We give thanks for all the blessings that we have received.

People **We are ever grateful for the faith we share.**

Youth We give thanks for all mothers, and all who have loved us with a
mother's love.

People **We give you thanks, O God.**

Youth Let us praise God's holy name with joy and thanksgiving.

People **Let us life up our hearts in song and holy praise.**

Glory To God

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.

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

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! Amen!

The Collect of the Day

Let us pray that our hearts may be open to all that the Lord desires for us.

The community prays silently. The celebrant then sings or says the collect.

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches
beyond imagination. Pour into our hearts such love toward you, that
we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises, which
exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is
alive 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 ACTS

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

ACTS 16:9-15

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

PSALM 67 REFRAIN

Let all the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

May God be merciful to us and bless us, show us the light of his countenance and come to us. Let your ways be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations. **R**

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth. **R**

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. The earth has brought forth her increase; may God, our own God, give us his blessing. May God give us his blessing, and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him. **R**

A READING FROM THE REVELATION TO JOHN

And in the spirit, an angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day - and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

REVELATION 21:10, 22-22:5

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

Gospel Acclamation #715 'Alleluia'

The Gospel

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

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

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

After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Beth-zatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids - blind, lame,



and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Stand up, take your mat and walk." At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a sabbath. *JOHN 5:1-9*

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

Sermon & Children's Talk

Sunday School Children "Jesus Loves the Little Children"

The Apostles Creed *We confess the faith of our baptism,*
We believe in God the Father, **Refrain: We believe, we believe.**

We believe he is the Holy One, **R.**

We believe in Jesus Christ, the Lord, **R.**

We believe he is God's only Son, **R.**

He was conceived by the Holy Spirit; Born of the Virgin Mary; For us he died and was buried; On the third day he rose again.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, **R.**

We believe in the Holy Church of God, **R.**

We believe in God's forgiveness, The resurrection from the dead.

We believe in life everlasting, We believe, we believe. Amen.

We believe. Amen. We believe.

The Prayers of the People *Please kneel or sit for the prayers.*

Response: Risen 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.

All 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. **Amen.**

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

Youth We have grateful hearts for all peacemakers in our world.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The assembly greets one another in the name of the Lord.

Offertory Hymn #416 'All Things Bright and Beautiful'

The Prayer over the Gifts *Read by celebrant.*

God of glory, accept all we offer you this day, and bring us to that eternal city of love and light, where Christ is King. We ask this in his name. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

That our hearts may be set on God's kingdom, let us pray to our Father in the words our Saviour has given us:

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.

Tone Chimes "Simple Gifts"

Closing of Sunday School 'January - May Semester'

WORDS OF APPRECIATION

We want to say a special word of thanks to all those who have helped us this Sunday School year:

- Thank you, the members of our parish congregation.
- Thank you, Father Michael, for being our Rector.
- Thank you Jennifer Green-Heisler, for being our Sunday School Leader.
- Thank you Melissa Risser for leading our Youth.
- Thank you Sharon Hill and Barbara Butler for the gift of music.

- Thank you, our parents and family for bringing us to church and sharing our Christian faith.
- God bless everyone.

Presentation of Certificates and Gifts

Blessing & Dismissal

Our Lord tells us: "Remain in me, as I remain in you."

United with Christ, let us bring him to everyone we meet, and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, + the Son, and the Holy Spirit bless you now and always. **Amen.**

A Closing Prayer (choir) – Besig

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. ALLELUIA!

Recessional Hymn #309 Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet

Postlude: Trumpet Voluntary - Charpentier

The Worship has Ended. Our Service Begins.

Mother's Day Memorials in Loving Memory of:

Barbara Daurie from Mom, Audrey, Arthur and Patricia

Martha Lace from Sheila and Jim

Lottie Daniels and Carrie Winters from Ruth, Gordon and Family

Frances Hansen from David, Selina and Family

Jean Stoddard from Karen, Betty and Families

Our Moms from John and Ann Perry



NOTICES

Spiritual Development 3rd Friday Activity

This month Musique Royale is presenting the Ernst Family Singers in concert on the 3rd Friday this month. As some parishioners may wish to attend the concert the May activity will be postponed until June. We will be presenting the **Simon Birch** movie in the Sunday School room June 18 at 7 pm.

LAY MINISTERS TODAY

Lay Readers: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer

10:30 am Penny Pratt, Holly Mitchell, Graham Pratt

Lectors: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer, Mabel Hardiman

10:30 am Sunday School; **Server: 10:30 am** Alex Knickle

Sidespersons: 10:30 am Joy Saunders, Heather Eisenhauer

NEXT SUNDAY MAY 16TH

Lay Readers: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer

10:30 am Sharon Green, Susan MacMillan, Sheila Morris

Lectors: 8:30 am Jo Eisenhauer, Gill Osmond

10:30am Alex Knickle, Heather Eisenhauer

Sidespersons: 10:30 am Joy Saunders, Heather Eisenhauer

Server: 10:30 am Sam Mack

WHAT'S SO AMAZING ABOUT GRACE?

Our Lenten series continues into the Easter season as we examine the constant presence of God's Grace in our lives. Please join us on May 16, 23, 30 in the Sunday School room after both the 8:30 am and 10:30 am services.

'RAISING THE ROOF'

This June marks the 5th Anniversary of the re-opening of our Church. It is truly a beautiful place of worship.

One of our other historic and well used buildings is St. John's Parish Hall. The hall is in need of a new roof. The present roof is 21 years old. The roof leaks and has lost many shingles this past winter. Tenders to replace the roof are going out this week.

Over the next several months, your support is needed to work together to raise the funds to replace the roof. More information will follow in the weeks to come. Please be as generous as possible.

We are looking for volunteers to form a 'Raising the Roof' Committee. Please contact one of the wardens if you are willing to assist with this project. Thank you.



Concerts presented by Musique Royale at St. John's:

- Chris Norman/David Greenberg Duo on Saturday, May 15 at 7:30pm (The internationally-acclaimed duo of Chris Norman & David Greenberg celebrate the release of their new CD *Let Me In This Ae Night*.)
- Ernst Family Singers on Friday, May 28 at 7:30 pm
- Keramion Trio (Paul Halley, organ and piano; Nick Halley, percussion; and Jon Suter, guitar) on Friday, June 11 at 7:30 pm.

Breakfast concerts presented by St. Cecilia Concert Series at Cecilia's Retreat, 1199 Oakland Rd in Mahone Bay:

- Guitarist Daniel Bolshoy on Saturday, May 22 at 11 am.
 - Soprano Allison Bent Angelo on Saturday, May 29 at 11 am
- Information: barbara.butler@ns.sympatico.ca or call 634-9994

STORIES FROM THE RICH PAST OF OUR PARISH

Tragic Death of the Venerable Archdeacon J.A. Kaulbach
adapted from the Progress, February 25, 1913

A terrible accident occurred in Truro on Tuesday past, when Archdeacon Kaulbach, aged 74 met with his death. R.C.S. Kaulbach phoned the sad news this morning. The Archdeacon had been visiting the sick at the Fire Department at 8:00 p.m. and in going in had fallen down a trap hatch ten feet deep, where his body was found at 10:00 p.m., cold in death.

The Venerable Archdeacon Kaulbach was well known in Lunenburg, being born here. He was the youngest son of the late J. Henry Kaulbach, High Sheriff of the County of Lunenburg. He was a Graduate of King's College, Windsor, and after his ordination took charge of the Parish Of River John, Pictou for many years, until was called to Truro where he was Rector of St. John's for thirty five years; Archdeacon of Nova Scotia, and Canon of All Saint's Cathedral Halifax.

His wife died the previous June. He was a man of the most exemplary Christian character and held in high regard by all who came in contact with him.

These historical stories are submitted weekly by our Heritage Chairperson, George Munroe.

Sincere Thanks and Appreciation

I would like to express my sincere thanks for the many expressions of kindness shown to me since the passing of my dear 23 year old nephew, Joel Hatt. He will forever be in my heart for the fun loving and beautiful person he was.

~Mary Wagner, Parish secretary

**Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island
300th Anniversary Prayer - 2010**



Blessed are you Lord God, our Creator and Sustainer. We thank you for your goodness towards us through 300 years of continuous worship and witness in this place. Your steadfast love never ceases and your compassion never fails. O Lord, as we journey onward, go before us with the blessing of your goodness and remember us now, as you have in ages past. Give us minds and hearts that travel without fear into the mystery of your being. In this journey just begun, Make us fruitful in your service, sharing your love and joy and peace with all your children, in the power of your Holy Spirit. through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

300th Anniversary Celebration Service

The Diocesan Service of Celebration will be held at Exhibition Park, on Sunday, June 6th, 2010 at 3:00 P.M. just outside Halifax off the Bicentennial Highway and Highway 103 (near Bayers Lake Shopping area).

Everyone is encouraged to attend this special worship celebration. Please try to arrange to car pool where possible.

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Pray for the Anglican Church of Korea, The Rt. Rev'd Solomon Jongmo Yoon, Presiding Bishop of the Anglican Church of Korea and Bishop of Busan.

Diocesan Cycle: Pray for St. Luke's, Dartmouth, Rev'd. Canon Carolyn Tomlin and John Ferguson, Rev'd. Arthur Snow, Honorary Assistant, and Marjorie; St. John's, Westphal, Rev'd. Marilyn Newport and Reid; Retired Clergy of Dartmouth Region. Pray for the preparations being made for 'Celebration 2010' in the Regions and the Diocese.

Local Ministerial: The Congregation of St. Norbert's Roman Catholic Church and Father Joseph Christensen.

Fisherries: Adams & Knickle - **Freedom 99**; Clearwater - **Tenacity**; Tall Ship - **Picton Castle**; Joides Resolution.

Central United Church will be holding a **Spring Bazaar** on Saturday, May 29 from 9 am-3 pm. There will be antiques, plants, bake table, frozen food, candy, jewellery, lobster sandwiches and hot dogs. One hour workshops will be held for gardening, quilting, rug hooking and painting.

WALK or RUN to show your support for the Lunenburg County Chapter – Schizophrenia Society of Nova Scotia's **Walk the World for Schizophrenia** on Sunday, May 16th. Registration starts at noon at the Girl Guides Cabin, 93 Dominion Street, Bridgewater. The walk begins at 1 pm. SHARP! A reception will follow the walk.

The Congregation of St. John's Church
Lunenburg, NS,

Invites you to celebrate
the 30th Anniversary of ordination
to the priesthood
of our Rector
Rev. Michael Mitchell

Anniversary Service
June 13, 2010 at 10:30 am
A luncheon will follow in St. John's Parish Hall

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