



Rector's Message

The city of Jericho is an oasis of beauty, food and water which draws people from far and wide. It will be one of the stops in our upcoming trip to the Holy Land next March.

In Jesus' day, the road from Jerusalem to Jericho was a notoriously dangerous one. Pilgrims and travellers sought safety in numbers by travelling in convoys or caravans. Jesus' hearers would have known this. When Jesus told the story of the Good Samaritan, some may even have thought the traveller had no one to blame but himself for his misfortune.

Jewish Purity Laws were very strict about coming into contact with someone who was considered unclean. For Jesus however, no human law can ever override God's law to care for one another and to "love your neighbour."

At times, we can be like the priest and the Levite by failing to show kindness and mercy to others – for all kinds of reasons. Society cautions us so much about strangers and beggars. Some think that they do not deserve help because they put themselves there by their own choices. In others words, we only help those whom we believe deserve it. What about us? Do we refuse to forgive someone because they intentionally hurt us? Do we withhold help because the one asking "made his choice"? Or do we fail to love because we do not feel our love returned?

Jesus has been more than a neighbour to each of us, loving, saving and redeeming us. Should we not recognize one another as our neighbour? Have a great week.
Father Michael+

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.*

LAY MINISTERS TODAY
Lay Readers: 8:30 am Bill Black
10:30 am Penny Pratt, Sheila Morris, Holly Mitchell
Lectors: 8:30 am Barbara Eisenhauer, Jo Eisenhauer
10:30am Louis Quennelle, Rosemary Smith
Sidespersons: 10:30 am Elroy & Betty Creaser
Hostesses: Stephanie MacPhee, June Coote

NEXT SUNDAY JULY 18th
Lay Readers: 8:30 am Bill Black
10:30 am Susan MacMillan, Holly Mitchell, Sharon Green
Lectors: 8:30 am Gill Osmond, Mabel Hardiman
10:30am Ron & Grace Swan; **Hostesses:** Hazel Oliver, Rosemary Smith
Sidespersons: 10:30 am Heather & Oran Hyson

The Holy Eucharist

*Sung Setting "The Mass of Creation" by Marty Haugen,
copies available in seat pocket*

Prelude: Sonata in c minor BWV 1017 – J.S. Bach

II. *Allegro*; III. *Adagio*; IV. *Allegro*
~ Nancy Dahn, violin; Timothy Steeves, piano

Announcements

Please stand for Processional Hymn

Processional Hymn #594 "Judge Eternal, Throned in Splendour"

The Gathering of the Community

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.**

Almighty God,

All **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

**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

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

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are
restless until they find their rest in you. May we find peace in your
service, and in the world to come, see you face to face; 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 AMOS

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said, "See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.' "Now therefore hear the word of the Lord. You say, 'Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.' Therefore thus says the Lord: 'Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parcelled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land.'"

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

AMOS 7:7-17

PSALM REFRAIN - Arise, O God, and rule the earth.

God takes his stand in the council of heaven; he gives judgement in the midst of the gods: "How long will you judge unjustly, and show favour to the wicked? **R**

Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy; Rescue the weak and the poor; deliver them from the power of the wicked. They do not know, neither do they understand; they go about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken. **R**

Now I say to you, 'You are gods, and all of you children of the Most High; Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince.'" Arise, O God, and rule the earth, for you shall take all nations for your own. **R PSALM 82**

A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE COLOSSIANS

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the

grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God.

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. **COLOSSIANS 1:1-14**
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Procession Acclamation #572 "Let There Be Light"

The Gospel

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

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE. Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live." But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbour?"

Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise." **LUKE 10:25-37**

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

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed *Let us confess our faith, as we say,*
We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Please kneel or sit for the prayers.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

The Confession and Absolution

Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
God welcomes sinners and invites them to the table.
Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Most merciful God,
All 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.*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

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

The Celebration of the Eucharist

The Preparation of the Gifts

Offertory Hymn #453 “Living Lord of Love’s Dominion”

*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.*

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 Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer 2

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.

Preface

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,
through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Redeemer.
He is your living Word, through whom you have created all things.
By the power of the Holy Spirit he took flesh of the Virgin Mary
and shared our human nature. He lived and died as one of us,

to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.
In fulfilment of your will he stretched out his hands in suffering,
to bring release to those who place their hope in you;
and so he won for you a holy people.
He chose to bear our griefs and sorrows,
and to give up his life on the cross,
that he might shatter the chains of evil and death,
and banish the darkness of sin and despair.
By his resurrection he brings us into the light of your presence.
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.**

Holy and gracious God, accept our praise,
through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;
who on the night he was handed over to suffering and death,
took bread and gave you thanks, saying,

“Take, and eat: his is my body which is broken for you.”

In the same way he took the cup of wine, saying:

“This is my blood which is shed for you.

When you do this, you do it in memory of me.”

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection,
we offer you this bread and this cup,
giving thanks that you have made us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

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 ask you to send your Holy Spirit
upon the offering of your holy Church.

Gather into one all who share in these sacred mysteries,
filling them with the Holy Spirit and confirming their faith in the truth,
that together we may praise you and give you glory
through your Servant, Jesus Christ.

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit
in the holy Church, now and for ever. **Amen.** *(Sung)*

The Lord’s Prayer

Let us join with our neighbours everywhere, praying in Christ’s name:

**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 says,

The gifts of God for the People of God.

All **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 then receive communion.

The body of Christ (given for you). The blood of Christ (shed for you).

The communicant responds each time, Amen.

*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.*

During Communion, hymns may be sung and silence may be kept.

Communion Hymn 65 "Here, Lord, We Take the Broken Bread"

Largo from Sonata in c minor

~ Nancy Dahn, violin; Timothy Steeves, piano

Prayer After Communion

Let us pray. *Standing, the community prays in silence.*

Living God, in this sacrament we have shared in your eternal kingdom. May we who taste this mystery forever serve you in faith, hope, and love. 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 & Dismissal

May the Christ who walks on wounded feet,

walk with you to the end of your road;

May the Christ who serves with wounded hands,

teach you to serve others;

May the Christ who loves with a wounded heart, be your love forever;

When you go out, may you see the face of Jesus in everyone you meet;

And may everyone you meet see the face of Jesus in you. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty, Father + Son, and Holy Spirit,

be with you now and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Recessional Hymn #601 "God, Whose Glory Knows No Ending"

Postlude: Pavilioned in Splendour – Lloyd

NOTICES

BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 26, 2010

What's the Buzz about Back to Church Sunday?

Back to Church Sunday is now the largest single local-church invitational initiative in the world. It is based on the simplest and shortest step in evangelism - that we should invite someone we already know to something we love; invite our friend to our church.



Congratulations are extended to Bill and Beverly Cluett who celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary July 4th. **We wish God's blessings on this special couple.**

MUSIQUE ROYALE

A Festival of Music in Historic Nova Scotia, 25th Anniversary Season Les Voix Baroque, Matthew White, Director

“Love, Death and the Lady”, a mix of contemporary, renaissance, and folk arrangements....Ranging from the straight to a comic twist
Friday, July 23, 6 pm, Cecilia’s Retreat, Mahone Bay

BOXWOOD FESTIVAL & WORKSHOP, CHRIS NORMAN, DIRECTOR

Presented in association with Musique Royale July 25-31 in Lunenburg

- Sunday July 25, 7:30 PM St. John's Church, Lunenburg

Jean-Christophe Maillard - French baroque musette with Vortex-3 (McGuinness, Greenberg, Norman)

Folk meets baroque in 18th century France and Scotland.

- Tuesday July 27, 4:00 PM St. John's Parish Hall, Lunenburg

Rev. Gary Hastings, Irish, musician, writer, and theologian; Church of Ireland Rector of Galway and Kilcummin, Archdeacon of Tuam will present a talk on music and spirituality. FREE and open to the public.

- Wednesday July 28, 7:30 PM St. John's Parish Hall, Lunenburg

Big Boxwood Ceilidh Dance; one of the best dances in NS all year. Caller - Elizabeth McDonald.

Step dancing demonstration by Jonothan Srour of 'Lord of the Dance'.

- Friday July 30, 7:30 PM St. John's Church, Lunenburg

James Kelly - Irish fiddle with Bill Coulter - guitar AND Edmund Brownless & David McGuinness present Music and Songs from the Scots ballad opera: THE GENTLE SHEPHERD

- Saturday July 31, 7:30 PM St. John's Church, Lunenburg

Boxwood's Finale Concert: Paddy Keenan, Gary Hastings, Rod Garnett, James Kelly, Bill Coulter, Norman & Greenberg Duo, and more.

Boxwood tickets available at Fulton's Pharmasave and at

http://www.boxwood.org/canada_schedule.html

LES BOREADES, FRANCIS COLPRON, DIRECTOR

“La Calisto”, verve, spontaneity, theatricality, expressiveness, and elegance

- Sunday, August 8, 7:30 pm, St. Stephen’s Anglican, Chester

Laura Pudwell, Mezzo Soprano AND Terry MacKenna, Lute

“Historical Romance”

- Sunday, August 15, 6 pm, Cecilia’s Retreat, Mahone Bay

-Friday, August 20, 7:30 pm, St. Stephen’s Anglican Church, Chester

Toronto Consort, David Fallis, Director

“Mariners and Milkmaids”, a rollicking performance featuring ballads, dances, and madrigals from 17th-century England

- Tuesday, Aug. 24, 7:30 pm, St. John’s Anglican Church, Lunenburg

HATS OFF TO BARBARA EISENHAUER

In celebration of her 70th birthday, friends and family are hosting an afternoon tea at the Boscawen Inn on July 24th 1 pm - 4 pm. All friends are welcome. Best wishes, donations to the Food Bank, or sing and play her a song. Fancy hats would be fun ladies. Contact Linda Power at 634-3325.

Trip to the Holy Land, March 2011

Join Rev Michael and Holly as they lead an unforgettable journey to the Holy Land, in March of 2011. Not just a pilgrimage, this is an opportunity to deepen your knowledge of the Bible and revitalize your spirit. Come along and walk in the footsteps of history – in the footsteps of the Lord as you journey through the Holy Land.

Space is limited. Book early to enjoy a \$300 discount.

Contact Rev. Michael or Holly Mitchell (634-8477), for a brochure and more information. email: michaelandholly@eastlink.ca

STORIES FROM THE RICH PAST OF OUR PARISH submitted by Heritage Chairperson, George Munroe

195th Anniversary St. John's Anglican Church, Lunenburg, Nova Scotia Programme of Anniversary Services -Second Sunday after Trinity - June 6th, 1948

8 am Holy Communion, Celebrant Rev. W.E. Ryder, Rector, Christ Church Dartmouth

10 am Holy Communion, Celebrant the Rector, The Rev. Ralph G. Fowlow
Preacher: Rev.W.M.Knickle, Rector of All Saint's Church, Springhill

3 pm Special Anniversary Service to be held on the Church Parade.(Weather Permitting)

Preacher: His Grace, the Archbishop of Nova Scotia and Primate of All Canada, Rev. George Frederick Kingston, PhD, D.D.

7 pm Evensong and Sermon Preacher: The Rev. Canon W.E. Ryder, Rector of Christ Church, Dartmouth, and formerly Rector of St. John's 1925 - 1946

In the Programme there was also written the following poem by Phillip Backman:

Beneath the constant, heavenly dome there stand
These treasured walls, still on that self same sod
Where first they rose; and mark the faith and hand
Of men who builded in the love of God.
How swift, how nobly swift-all else aside,
They set this House upon their alien plot,
Where each in his appointed place, with pride
Might render thanks and glory in his lot.
And surely, then, they willed this hallowed Place
To be a solace in the days to come;
That here might pass to their succeeding race
Their spirit's strength, when they themselves had done.
Thus well they followed as another led;
"I will not leave you comfortless" He'd said.