

# ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

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## **JUNE 11, 2023**

*Welcome to all, especially those visiting today!  
Please make yourself known to the greeters.*

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**Today's Readings:** Genesis 12:1-9; Psalm 33:1-12;  
Romans 4:13-25; Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

### **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**

Christ Church, Dartmouth, NS

~ The Reverend Kyle Wagner and Julie

Holy Spirit, Dartmouth, NS

~ The Reverend Canon Edwin Ebsary and Monica

### **Provincial Prayer Care**

Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario

~ Archbishop Anne Germond and the Provincial Council

### **Council of the North**

Diocese of Yukon

~ Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame

**DCS Cycle of Prayer** – St. Stephen's, Irishtown

**Prayer Partner** - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside

### **June 18 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (green)**

**Readings:** Genesis 18:1-15; 21:1-7; Psalm 116:1, 10-17;  
Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35 – 10:23

**Readers:** Grafton C, Jim E; Jim D, Darlene L; Martyn C, Barb C

**Prayers of the People:** Jim E, Lola MO, Savannah C

**Worship Times:** 9 am – St. Stephen's HC  
11 am – St. Thomas' MP  
11 am – St. Mark' HC

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***THANK YOU from St. Mark's...***

**Thank you** to everyone who helped to make our yard, plant, and bake sale a HUGE success! Thanks to everyone who donated yard sale items, baked goods, and plants. It was much appreciated!

**St. Thomas' ACW Lunch** & short meeting will be held on Thursday, June 15, at Family & Friends in Kensington, 12:00 p.m. Please let Doreen know if you are able to make it.

**Parish Council** will meet on Monday, June 19, 7:00 p.m. at St. Thomas' Church.

**St. Stephen's Council** will meet on Thursday, June 22, 7:00 p.m.

**St. Thomas' Ice Cream Social** will be held on Friday, June 30, 6:00-8:00 p.m. If anyone would like to help with expenses, please place your donation in an envelope marked 'Ice Cream Social'. Volunteers would be greatly appreciated on the 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Vacation Bible School** – July 3-7, 2023

9:00-11:30 a.m. daily

For ages 4-12.

Fee: \$25.00 per child (3<sup>rd</sup> child registers free)

Deadline to register: June 18

Forms are available at the church office.

Come and enjoy music, stories, crafts, snacks, and games!

### **COLLECT** (p 360)

O God,  
you have assured the human family of eternal life  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.  
Deliver us from the death of sin  
and raise us to new life in him,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

### **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS** (p 361)

Merciful God and Father,  
in Adam's fall we were born to death;  
in the new Adam we are reborn to life.  
In all we offer you this day  
may we share a taste of your eternal kingdom.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (p 361)

O God,  
we have shared in the mysteries  
of the body and blood of Christ.  
Nourish us by this feast,  
that we may live the risen life  
and serve you faithfully in the world.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

### **DAILY MANNA – VERSE FOR THE DAY**

#### **Day 11 – Numbers 23:19**

“God is not a man, so he does not lie. He is not human,  
so he does not change his mind. Has he ever spoken and failed to act?  
Has he ever promised and not carried it through?”

#### **Day 12 – 2 Peter 3:9a**

“The Lord isn’t really being slow about his promise,  
as some people think. No, he is being patient for your sake.”

#### **Day 13 – Isaiah 58:11a**

“The Lord will guide you continually,  
giving you water when you are dry and restoring your strength.”

#### **Day 14 – Ephesians 4:6**

“...one God and Father of all, who is over all, in all,  
and living through all.”

#### **Day 15 – Zechariah 10:1a**

“Ask the Lord for rain in the springtime; it is the Lord who sends  
the thunderstorms. He gives showers of rain to all people.”

#### **Day 16 – Psalm 136:4**

“To him who alone does great wonders, for his steadfast love  
endures forever.”

#### **Day 17 – 1 Peter 5:6**

“Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God  
so that at the proper time he may exalt you.”

#### **Day 18 – 1 John 3:1a**

“See how very much our Father loves us, for he calls us his children,  
and that is what we are!”

#### **Day 19 – Hebrews 6:14a**

“I will certainly bless you.”

### **A READING FROM GENESIS 12:1-9**

The LORD had said to Abram, “Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you.

“I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”

So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran. He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated and the people they had acquired in Harran, and they set out for the land of Canaan, and they arrived there.

Abram traveled through the land as far as the site of the great tree of Moreh at Shechem. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. The LORD appeared to Abram and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built an altar there to the LORD, who had appeared to him.

From there he went on toward the hills east of Bethel and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east. There he built an altar to the LORD and called on the name of the LORD.

Then Abram set out and continued toward the Negev.

### **A READING FROM ROMANS 4:13-25**

It was not through the law that Abraham and his offspring received the promise that he would be heir of the world, but through the righteousness that comes by faith. For if those who depend on the law are heirs, faith means nothing and the promise is worthless, because the law brings wrath. And where there is no law there is no transgression.

Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham’s offspring—not only to those who are of the law but also to those who have the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all. As it is written: “I have made you a father of many nations.” He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed—the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were not.

Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, “So shall your offspring be.”

Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah’s womb was also dead.

Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. This is why “it was credited to him as righteousness.” The words “it was credited to him” were written not for him alone, but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

### **HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW 9:9-13, 18-26**

As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax collector’s booth. “Follow me,” he told him, and Matthew got up and followed him.

While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew’s house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?”

On hearing this, Jesus said, “It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.” While he was saying this, a synagogue leader came and knelt before him and said, “My daughter has just died. But come and put your hand on her, and she will live.” Jesus got up and went with him, and so did his disciples.

Just then a woman who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years came up behind him and touched the edge of his cloak. She said to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be healed.”

Jesus turned and saw her. “Take heart, daughter,” he said, “your faith has healed you.” And the woman was healed at that moment.

When Jesus entered the synagogue leader’s house and saw the noisy crowd and people playing pipes, he said, “Go away. The girl is not dead but asleep.” But they laughed at him. After the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took the girl by the hand, and she got up. News of this spread through all that region.