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# October 22, 2023 21st Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to everyone gathered here today. Please make yourself known to the greeters.

## **Today's Readings:**

Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22

# **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**

# **In Nova Scotia:**

- ~ St. John's, New Germany
- ~ St. Andrew's, Northfield
- ~ St. Barnabas, Blue Rocks



#### **Provincial Prayer Care**

Diocese of Western Newfoundland, Bishop John Organ

## **Council of the North**

Archdeaconry of Labrador:

Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland & Labrador

**DCS Cycle of Prayer** – St. Thomas', Spring Brook

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

# October 29 – 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (green)

**Readings:** Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17;

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46

**Readers:** Jim E, Sandra H **Prayers of the People:** Sandra H

Worship Time: 11 am – Parish Worship at St. Stephen's HC

# November 5 – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (green)

**Readings:** Joshua 3:7-17; Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37;

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:1-12

Readers: Grafton C, Jim E; Tim O, Jim D; Martyn C, Barb C

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

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

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**Clinton View Lodge** Service of Worship will be held on Thursday, November 2, at 3:15 p.m. Please join in worshiping with the residents.

### **Mission to Seafarers Shoe Boxes**

**Items needed:** Hat, scarf, gloves or mitts, socks, wrapped hard candy (no chocolate), soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, shaving foam, razors, deodorant, lip balm, playing card, mementos of PEI or Canada. Please have your donations or completed boxes (unwrapped) to the church by **November 19**. Contacts: Sandra 902-836-4751, Doris 902-836-3827, Lola 902-886-2653. You can donate items for a box, or give a monetary donation. It's all greatly appreciated!

#### **Prince County Hospital "Thinking of You" project:**

**Items needed:** deodorant (needed all year round), toothpaste, shampoo/conditioner, brushes & combs, toothpaste, body wash, craft items (adult & children), shaving cream & shavers, body wash, colouring supplies (books, pencils, crayons), pens & pencils, puzzle books, t-shirts, sweaters, pants, socks, underwear, shoes. All donations will be gratefully accepted!

In an update from Kay Mara about the **Kidney Walk Fundraiser**, Kay indicates it was quite successful. For more information, please check out the Kidney Foundation Website or Facebook page.

**Men of the Harvest** concert today at O'Leary United Church, 2:30 p.m. All are welcome!

"Sounds of Christmas" with Kirk Neville, Bonnie LaFrance, & Friends ~ Sunday, December 3, 7:00 p.m. at Central Queens United Church, Hunter River. Admission \$12.00 at the door. All welcome!

**Memorial Hymn Sing** will be held at Princetown United Church in Malpeque on Sunday, November 19, 2:00 p.m. If you wish to honour the memory of a loved one, please call the church office by Nov. 5 (902-836-3337)

## **Upcoming Volunteer Food Safety Presentations:**

For further information, please contact: Environmental Health – Email: envhealth@ihis.org (link sends e-mail)

Phone: 902-368-4970

- ~ **Summerside:** Thursday, October 26, begins at 6 pm at Trinity United Church Auditorium, 90 Spring Street
- ~ **Cymbria:** Wednesday, November 1, begins at 6 pm at Cymbria Lions Club, 2184 Church Road
- ~ Ellerslie: Saturday, November 18, begins at 9:30 am at Ellerslie Royal Canadian Legion, 1136 Ellerslie Road



# **COLLECT** (p 387)

Almighty and everliving God, increase in us your gift of faith, that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

# **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS** (p 387)

Eternal God, your word inspires our faith. May we who offer you our praise trust you in all things. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (p 388)

God of peace,

you have nourished us in this sacrament with the body and blood of Christ.

May we who have taken holy things keep faith in our hearts and lives, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

#### **A READING FROM EXODUS 33:12-23**

Moses said to the LORD, "You have been telling me, 'Lead these people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, 'I know you by name and you have found favor with me.' If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people."

The LORD replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?" And the LORD said to Moses, "I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name." Then Moses said, "Now show me your glory." And the LORD said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the LORD, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for no one may see me and live." Then the LORD said, "There is a place near me where you may stand on a rock. When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen."

#### **A READING FROM 1 THESSALONIANS 1:1-10**

Paul, Silas and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace and peace to you. We always thank God for all of you and continually mention you in our prayers. We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labor prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction. You know how we lived among you for your sake. You became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit.

And so you became a model to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia. The Lord's message rang out from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia—your faith in God has become known everywhere. Therefore we do not need to say anything about it, for they themselves report what kind of reception you gave us. They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

#### THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW 22:15-22

Then the Pharisees went out and laid plans to trap him in his words. They sent their disciples to him along with the Herodians. "Teacher," they said, "we know that you are a man of integrity and that you teach the way of God in accordance with the truth. You aren't swayed by others, because you pay no attention to who they are. Tell us then, what is your opinion? Is it right to pay the imperial tax to Caesar or not?" But Jesus, knowing their evil intent, said, "You hypocrites, why are you trying to trap me? Show me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought him a denarius, and he asked them, "Whose image is this?

And whose inscription?"

"Caesar's," they replied.

Then he said to them, "So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."

When they heard this, they were amazed.

So they left him and went away.