ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

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March 31, 2024 Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day

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

Today's Readings

Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Mark 16:1-8

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Seaforth, Nova Scotia Tangier, Nova Scotia

Provincial Prayer Care

Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario Archbishop Anne Germond and the Provincial Council

Council of the North

Territory of the People - Archbishop Lynne McNaughton

DCS Cycle of Prayer - St. Mary's, Summerside

<u>**Prayer Partner</u>** - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside</u>

April 7 – 2nd Sunday of Easter (white)

Readings: Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; 1 John 1:1 – 2:2; John 20:19-31
Readers: Jim E, Sandra H; Doreen Childs, Darlene L; Doris M, Norma T
Prayers of the People: Sandra H, Lola MO, Bronwyn C
Worship Times: 9 am – St. Mark's HE 11 am – St. Stephen's HE 11 am – St. Thomas' MP

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETINGS

- ~ St. Mark's Church Council Monday, April 1, 7 pm
- ~ St. Stephen's Church Council Thursday, April 4, 7 pm
- ~ Parish Council Wednesday, April 17, 7 pm at St. Thomas'
- ~ St. Elizabeth's Church Council Sunday, April 28 (following 7 pm service)

250th Anniversary Committee will meet on Tuesday, April 2, 10:30 a.m. at the home of Doreen Childs.

Clinton View Lodge gathering will be held Friday, April 5, 2:15 pm. All are welcome!

APP (ACW) meeting - April 9th, 10:00 am at St. Thomas' church hall. Plans for several functions will be discussed. Bring your lunch if you can stay; we will make some tea. Call Doreen if you have any questions (886-2207). All are welcome!

Save the Date:

June 1st, 2024 – St. Mark's Church Yard Sale Fundraiser from 9 a.m. – noon. We would be pleased to accept donations such as toys, games, accessories, knick-knacks, books, puzzles, household items, giftware items, garden décor & supplies, tools, craft supplies, small furniture items, sporting equipment, plants, or any other treasures you might have hidden away. All items should be clean and in good condition. To schedule a donation pick up, please call Dianne (902-836-4978), Marlene (902-836-4303), or Alan (902-439-1627).

EASTER FLOWERS

- + Flowers at St. Mark's are in loving memory of **Carl Thompson** from Norma and family
- + Easter Flowers at St. Thomas' are placed in loving memory and fond remembrance of:
 - Horace & Bessie Meek with love from the family
 - Bill Pidgeon with love from Laura and family
 - Brenda Montgomery with love from Robert and family
 - Jim & Lauretta Jollimore with love from the family
 - Clara, Claude, Sandy, & Noel Graham with love from Peter, Jane & family
 - Clayton MacLeod with love from Grace and family
 - **Beverley & Harold Brister** with love from Leanne and family
 - Mom & Dad with love from Hilda



We received the following from the Bishop (in part)...

"We are pleased to inform and congratulate you in the Parish of New London, as we have accepted one of your leaders into our Diocesan missional leadership learning cohort, called The Connectors SIX. Leanne Brister is selected to join a group of eleven leaders to share in this supportive network of peers who will be engaged in action/reflection missional initiatives in your local area. This learning forum is an investment in the future vitality and growth of parishes as we seek to tell the story of how the Holy Spirit works in transformative ways in our neighbourhoods. Leanne was selected as an investment in your parish context because she has the passion, skills, and entrepreneurial spirit for this work, but also because we view your parish as an environment in which missional initiatives can take root and be nurtured. It is obvious God is doing something exciting with leaders in our Diocese. We are pleased to be able to provide a supportive environment to equip and release them to respond to this missional call. Thank you for being a part of this flourishing work." Sincerely in Christ,

Bishop Sandra

A READING FROM ACTS 10:34-43

Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached— how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

"We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

A READING FROM 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-11

Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

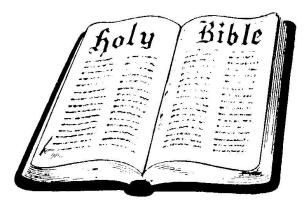
For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. Whether, then, it is I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK 16:1-8

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?" But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.

"Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you."" Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.



<u>COLLECT</u> (p 335)

Lord of life and power, through the mighty resurrection of your Son, you have overcome the old order of sin and death and have made all things new in him. May we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, reign with him in glory, who with you and the Holy Spirit is alive, one God, now and forever.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS (p 336)

God our strength and salvation, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that we who have confessed your name, and received new life in baptism, may live in the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ the Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (p 336)

God of life, bring us to the glory of the resurrection promised in this Easter sacrament. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

