

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

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June 23, 2024

5th Sunday after Pentecost

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

Today's Readings

1 Samuel 17:57 – 18:5, 10-16; Psalm 133;
2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Church of the Holy Spirit, Lakelands, NS
~ The Rev'd Jack Risk, Rector, and Chris
All Saints, Bedford, NS
~ The Rev'd Trevor Lightfoot, Rector and Jen

Provincial Prayer Care

Archbishop Linda Nicholls, Council of General Synod

Council of the North

Diocese of Yukon ~ Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame

DCS Cycle of Prayer – St. Paul's, Charlottetown

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside

July 7 – 7th Sunday after Pentecost (green)

Readings: 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10; Psalm 48;
2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13

Readers: Jim E, Sandra H; Jean R, Hilda J; Doris M, Norma T

Prayers of the People: Jim E, Amy M, Bronwyn C

Worship Times: 9 am – St. Mark's MP

11 am – St. Stephen's MP

11 am – St. Thomas' MP

**Rev. Shirley will be away July 1-8.*

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June 30 - 250th Anniversary Celebrations!

St. Thomas' Church, Hall, and Grounds

11 am- Parish Worship Service - Led by the Right Reverend Sandra Fyfe, followed by lunch hosted and provided by the Parish
1:30pm-4:30 pm- Community Activities- Period displays, games for children, light refreshments, Historical Talks and Q and A's, breaks in between:

2 pm- Early Anglicanism on the Island of St. John's (Thomas Haslam)

2:45pm- The New London Settlement (John Cousins)

3:25pm- The social and economic context of settlement (Dr. Edward MacDonald OC)

4:05pm- The legacy of the arrival (Dennis Cole LLM and Revd Shirley)

All are most welcome to attend all or any of the day's events!

*If you are willing to help out as the date looms closer or on the day, please contact Doreen or Lola.

St. Thomas' Annual Ice Cream Social and Bake Table

Friday, June 28: 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. If anyone would like to make a donation to help cover costs, it would be appreciated.

St. Stephen's Cemetery Committee Chair is placing signs in the cemetery, reminding not to plant trees or shrubs in the cemetery, as over time the roots interfere with stability of the monuments and grounds.

Beginning on JULY 3 (and for the summer), secretary Bonnie LaFrance will be in the office on Wednesday evenings (5-7 pm). Bulletins will be ready for pick-up on Thursday morning.

COLLECT (p 363)

O God our defender, storms rage about us and cause us to be afraid. Rescue your people from despair, deliver your sons and daughters from fear, and preserve us all from unbelief; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and ever.

A READING FROM 1 SAMUEL 17:57 – 18:5, 10-16

As soon as David returned from killing the Philistine, Abner took him and brought him before Saul, with David still holding the Philistine's head. "Whose son are you, young man?" Saul asked him. David said, "I am the son of your servant Jesse of Bethlehem." After David had finished talking with Saul, Jonathan became one in spirit with David, and he loved him as himself. From that day Saul kept David with him and did not let him return home to his family. And Jonathan made a covenant with David because he loved him as himself. Jonathan took off the robe he was wearing and gave it to David, along with his tunic, and even his sword, his bow and his belt. Whatever mission Saul sent him on, David was so successful that Saul gave him a high rank in the army. This pleased all the troops, and Saul's officers as well.

The next day an evil spirit from God came forcefully on Saul. He was prophesying in his house, while David was playing the lyre, as he usually did. Saul had a spear in his hand and he hurled it, saying to himself, "I'll pin David to the wall." But David eluded him twice. Saul was afraid of David, because the LORD was with David but had departed from Saul. So he sent David away from him and gave him command over a thousand men, and David led the troops in their campaigns. In everything he did he had great success, because the LORD was with him. When Saul saw how successful he was, he was afraid of him. But all Israel and Judah loved David, because he led them in their campaigns.

PSALM 133

Oh, how good and pleasant it is, when brethren live together in unity! It is like fine oil upon the head that runs down upon the beard, upon the beard of Aaron, and runs down upon the collar of his robe. It is like the dew of Hermon that falls upon the hills of Zion. For there the Lord has ordained the blessing: life for evermore. Creator of the universe, from whom all things come, to whom all things return, give your people such unity of heart and mind, that all the world may grow in the life of your eternal kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A READING FROM 2 CORINTHIANS 6:1-13

As God's co-workers we urge you not to receive God's grace in vain. For he says, "In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you." I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation. We put no stumbling block in anyone's path, so that our ministry will not be discredited. Rather, as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: in great endurance; in troubles, hardships and distresses; in beatings, imprisonments and riots; in hard work, sleepless nights and hunger; in purity, understanding, patience and kindness; in the Holy Spirit and in sincere love; in truthful speech and in the power of God; with weapons of righteousness in the right hand and in the left; through glory and dishonor, bad report and good report; genuine, yet regarded as impostors; known, yet regarded as unknown; dying, and yet we live on; beaten, and yet not killed; sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; poor, yet making many rich; having nothing, and yet possessing everything. We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians, and opened wide our hearts to you. We are not withholding our affection from you, but you are withholding yours from us. As a fair exchange—I speak as to my children—open wide your hearts also.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK 4:35-41

That day when evening came, he said to his disciples, "Let us go over to the other side." Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"

He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid?"

Do you still have no faith?" They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"