### August 18

### <u>August 25 – 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (green)</u>

**Readings:** 1 Kings 8:22-30, 41-43; Psalm 84;

Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69

Readers: Jim E, Sandra H; Darlene L, Jean R;

Doris M, Norma T; Blaine C, Velma H

**Prayers of the People:** Sandra H, Amy M, Bronwyn C

**Worship Times:** 9 am – St. Stephen's MP

11 am – St. Mark's MP 11 am – St. Thomas' HE 7 pm – St. Elizabeth's HE

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**St. Elizabeth's** Church is selling Raffle tickets on a Tony Diodati painting. Draw date: August 22, 2024 (at the end of the Terry Kelly concert). Tickets are \$5.00 each, or 5 for \$20.00. To purchase tickets, contact the church office or Beryl Carr (902-430-9428).

**St. Thomas'** Church Council is selling tickets on a handmade quilt as a 'Fix the Furnace Fundraiser'. Contact Amy (902-886-2424).

**Over the summer**, there will be some ongoing thinking, praying, discerning, and talking about services, programs, activities, and so on, for the early fall. Bible Study will resume in early September similar to recent years, and could be supplemented by a meditation group, book study, learning sessions, and more – during the daytime, in an evening, or over the weekend. Again, any ideas, interests, preferences would be appreciated; please call the office if you'd like to discuss further.

### Message from Kim Gallant & Grafton Cole...

We are planning to resume the practice of putting a float in this year's Harvest Festival Parade on Saturday, August 17. The theme this year is "Celebrating Our Fishers". We have a truck and trailer (thanks Grafton), and we have a place to put the float together (thanks, Norma, for the use of your building). We need your help to put the float together and participants to be on the float in the parade. Please join as you are able at Norma Thompson's building in Margate (12517 Rte. 6) at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 15. Thanks in advance for your ideas, creativity, and help! For more information, please call Kim at 902-432-9007.

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Princetown United Church in Malpeque is holding a "Fish Fry" on their church grounds on Sunday, August 11, 4:00-6:00 p.m. Come and enjoy delicious fish, fries, and beverage for \$20.00. All are welcome!

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### **COLLECT** (pg 373)

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

### **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS** (pg 373)

Father, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that in this eucharist we may be enriched by the gifts of the Spirit.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (pg 374)

Eternal God, grant to your Church the unity and peace that we have tasted in this eucharist, the fruit of your life-giving Spirit.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

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7 pm, Thursday, August 22, 2024 St. Elizabeth's Anglican Church, Springfield (22728 Rte. 2)

Tickets: \$20.00 Available in advance by contacting:

Beryl Carr 902-430-9428 or the Parish Office 902-836-3303 Also available at the door while they last (seating limited).

Award-winning singer, music writer, and speaker, Terry Kelly has travelled extensively in Canada, Europe, Australia, and New Zealand, receiving accolades along the way where he has touched the hearts of many, and motivated them to live their lives to the fullest; and by his example, to overcome challenges of all types. He has received seven East Coast Music Awards and nominations for four Canadian Country Music Awards and a JUNO. He is most recognized for his inspirational song, "A Pittance of Time".

You are sure to enjoy his wonderful songs and stories in a setting of peace and beauty.

This is a fundraiser for the church.

Toilet facilities will be available.

Refreshments will be available for purchase.

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# August 11, 2024

## 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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

### **Today's Readings**

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33; Psalm 130; Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2; John 6:35, 41-51

### **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**

- ~ Aylesford with Berwick, Nova Scotia
- ~ Brooklyn, Nova Scotia

### **Provincial Prayer Care**

Diocese of Western Newfoundland, Bishop John Organ

### **Council of the North**

Fall Meeting of Council – Chairperson, Bishop David Lehmann

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

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside



### A READING FROM 2 SAMUEL 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

swallowed up more men that day than the sword.

The king commanded Joab, Abishai and Ittai, "Be gentle with the young man Absalom for my sake." And all the troops heard the king giving orders concerning Absalom to each of the commanders. David's army marched out of the city to fight Israel, and the battle took place in the forest of Ephraim. There Israel's troops were routed by David's men, and the casualties that day were great—twenty thousand men. The battle spread out over the whole countryside, and the forest

Now Absalom happened to meet David's men. He was riding his mule, and as the mule went under the thick branches of a large oak,

Absalom's hair got caught in the tree. He was left hanging in midair, while the mule he was riding kept on going.

And ten of Joab's armor-bearers surrounded Absalom, struck him and killed him.

Then the Cushite arrived and said, "My lord the king, hear the good news! The LORD has vindicated you today by delivering you from the hand of all who rose up against you."

The king asked the Cushite, "Is the young man Absalom safe?" The Cushite replied, "May the enemies of my lord the king and all who rise up to harm you be like that young man."

The king was shaken. He went up to the room over the gateway and wept. As he went, he said: "O my son Absalom! My son, my son Absalom! If only I had died instead of you—O Absalom, my son, my son!"



#### A READING FROM EPHESIANS 4:25 – 5:2

Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. "In your anger do not sin": Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and do not give the devil a foothold. Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need.

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

### THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN 6:35, 41-51

Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. At this the Jews there began to grumble about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I came down from heaven'?"

"Stop grumbling among yourselves," Jesus answered. "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them, and I will raise them up at the last day. It is written in the Prophets: 'They will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard the Father and learned from him comes to me. No one has seen the Father except the one who is from God; only he has seen the Father. Very truly I tell you, the one who believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, yet they died. But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which anyone may eat and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."