

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

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September 8, 2024

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to everyone gathered here today.

Please make yourself known to the greeters.

Today's Readings

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23; Psalm 125;

James 2:1-17; Mark 7:24-37

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

~ St. John's, Wolfville (Horton), NS

~ St. James', Kentville, NS

Provincial Prayer Care

Diocese of Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island

~ Bishop Sandra Fyfe

Council of the North

Indigenous Spiritual Ministry of Mishamikoweesh –

Bishop Lydia Mamakwa & Larry Beardy

DCS Cycle of Prayer – Christ Church, Kildare

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside



September 15 – 17th Sunday after Pentecost (green)

Season of Creation

Readings: Proverbs 1:20-33; Psalm 19; James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38

Readers: Jim E, Sandra H; Doreen C, Jean R; Doris M, Norma T

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

Worship Times: 9 am – St. Thomas' MP

11 am – St. Stephen's HE

11 am – St. Mark's MP

Welcome to Ryah Grace MacDonald, daughter of Cody and Hillery, who was baptized last Sunday at St. Stephen's.

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

Draw will take place at the end of September.

Kensington Presbyterian Church is hosting **Kraft Dinner lunches** on Thursdays throughout the school year for KISH students.

If you'd like to take part by baking cookies, serving in the kitchen, (or both), please contact Nanette Clark (ngclark62@gmail.com).

Kensington & Area Christian Council has partnered with the Provincial Credit Union to present two **financial literacy sessions**:

1- Wed., September 25, 7-9 pm - "Identity Theft and Fraud Prevention"

2- Wed., October 2, 7-9 pm - "Introduction to Basic Banking"

Sessions will be held in the Kensington United Church sanctuary.

There is no charge, but we would ask those planning to attend

to let us know by contacting Jack Spencer at 902-836-3347

or by email at jackrichardspencer@gmail.com.

'STORIES in STITCHES' Exhibition

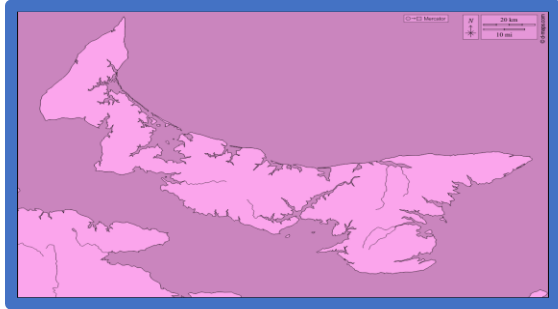
September 10-14 --- 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Eastern Canada's most dramatic show of quilts, hooked rugs, and artistic needlework will be displayed at beautiful St. Paul's Church in Charlottetown (Grafton @ Church St). Close to 150 pieces set out on the rich woodwork of the church, plus demonstrations by skilled quilters and rug-hookers. Admission \$10 at the door.

Anglicans on PEI Forward Together

“CELEBRATING OUR CHURCHES”

Autumn Ceilidh & Social



SEPTEMBER 21, 2024

CRAPAUD COMMUNITY HALL

(36 Route 13, Crapaud)

1:00 – 4:00 pm

ALL WELCOME!

Bishop Sandra Fyfe will join us!

Help us put your church on the map!

We are seeking entertainers, poets, musicians,
skits from each parish.

Contact Margaret Collins at 902-621-2920 or
Connie MacKinnon at 902-658-2333
if you can help with entertainment.

A Poster (poster provided) from each church or
parish celebrating who you are!

Join us for entertainment, fellowship, music and
sharing our hopes & dreams for our churches.



IN MEMORIAM

The Bulletins used
within the Parish
are given to the Glory of God
and In Loving Memory of

**BRENDA
MONTGOMERY**

May 19, 1944 –
September 8, 2017

*Never more than a thought away,
quietly remembered every day.*

From Robert and family

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES – SEPTEMBER

Sunday, Sept. 8 – Backpack Blessings

Thank you to everyone who donated items for high school students.

Wednesday, Sept. 11 – Bonnie resumes office hours

9:00-11:00 a.m. Bulletins available for pickup by early afternoon.

Thursday, Sept. 12 (weekly) – Meditation Group

9:15-9:45 a.m. – St. Mark's Church Sanctuary.

Preparation, Silence, Reflection, using a variety of meditation practices as were introduced at the Meditation Workshop in June. No experience or ongoing commitment necessary to 'come and see'.

Thursday, Sept. 12 (weekly) – Bible Study

10:00-11:00 a.m. – St. Mark's Church Sanctuary and on Zoom.

Please note change of day, time, and location. We will continue to explore and discuss the Readings for upcoming Sunday.

New participants welcome; contact office to be added to Zoom list.

No experience or ongoing commitment necessary to 'come and see'.

Saturday, Sept. 21 – Region Autumn Ceilidh & Social

(see bulletin notice)

Sunday, Sept. 22 – Parish Confirmation Service

3:00 p.m. Service with Bishop Sandra Fyfe at St. Mark's Church (additional service to regular services scheduled). Anyone wishing to be confirmed at this time must contact Rev'd Shirley to receive and review preparation and learning materials.

Sunday, Sept. 29 – 5th Sunday in the month Parish Service

at St. Stephen's at 11:00 a.m. – Celebrating Music Ministry and Gwendy Murphy's 60th year anniversary as organist!

UPCOMING MEETINGS – SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

Parish Council Meeting –

Tuesday, Sept. 10, 7:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth's Church

St. Stephen's Church Council Meeting –

Wednesday, Sept. 11, 7:00 p.m. at St. Stephen's Church

St. Thomas' Church Council Meeting –

Monday, Sept. 16, 7:00 p.m. at St. Thomas' Church

St. Mark's Church Council Meeting –

Monday, Sept. 23, 7:00 p.m. at St. Mark's Church

St. Elizabeth's Church Council Meeting –

Sunday, Oct. 6, 8:00 p.m. (following Worship)
at St. Elizabeth's Church

Kensington & Area Christian Council Meeting –

Wednesday, Sept. 18, 7:00 p.m. at Princetown United in Malpeque

A READING FROM PROVERBS 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23

A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold. Rich and poor have this in common: The LORD is the Maker of them all. Whoever sows injustice reaps calamity, and the rod they wield in fury will be broken.

The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor. Do not exploit the poor because they are poor and do not crush the needy in court, for the LORD will take up their case and will exact life for life.

A READING FROM JAMES 2:1-17

My brothers and sisters, believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favoritism. Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in filthy old clothes also comes in. If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, "Here's a good seat for you," but say to the poor man, "You stand there" or "Sit on the floor by my feet," have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts?

Listen, my dear brothers and sisters: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who are exploiting you? Are they not the ones who are dragging you into court? Are they not the ones who are blaspheming the noble name of him to whom you belong? If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, "Love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing right. But if you show favoritism, you sin and are convicted by the law as lawbreakers. For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it. For he who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." If you do not commit adultery but do commit murder, you have become a lawbreaker. Speak and act as those who are going to be judged by the law that gives freedom, because judgment without mercy will be shown to anyone who has not been merciful. Mercy triumphs over judgment. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK 7:24-37

Jesus left that place and went to the vicinity of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know it; yet he could not keep his presence secret. In fact, as soon as she heard about him, a woman whose little daughter was possessed by an impure spirit came and fell at his feet. The woman was a Greek, born in Syrian Phoenicia. She begged Jesus to drive the demon out of her daughter. "First let the children eat all they want," he told her, "for it is not right to take the children's bread and toss it to the dogs." "Lord," she replied, "even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he told her, "For such a reply, you may go; the demon has left your daughter." She went home and found her child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then Jesus left the vicinity of Tyre and went through Sidon, down to the Sea of Galilee and into the region of the Decapolis. There some people brought to him a man who was deaf and could hardly talk, and they begged Jesus to place his hand on him. After he took him aside, away from the crowd, Jesus put his fingers into the man's ears. Then he spit and touched the man's tongue. He looked up to heaven and with a deep sigh said to him, "Ephphatha!" (which means "Be opened!"). At this, the man's ears were opened, his tongue was loosened and he began to speak plainly.

Jesus commanded them not to tell anyone. But the more he did so, the more they kept talking about it. People were overwhelmed with amazement. "He has done everything well," they said. "He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

COLLECT (pg 378)

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded; 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 379)

Great and holy God, accept our offering of labour and love. May we bring you true and spiritual worship and be one with you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (pg 379)

Father, your word and sacrament give us food and life.

May we who have shared in holy things bear fruit to your honour and glory, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.