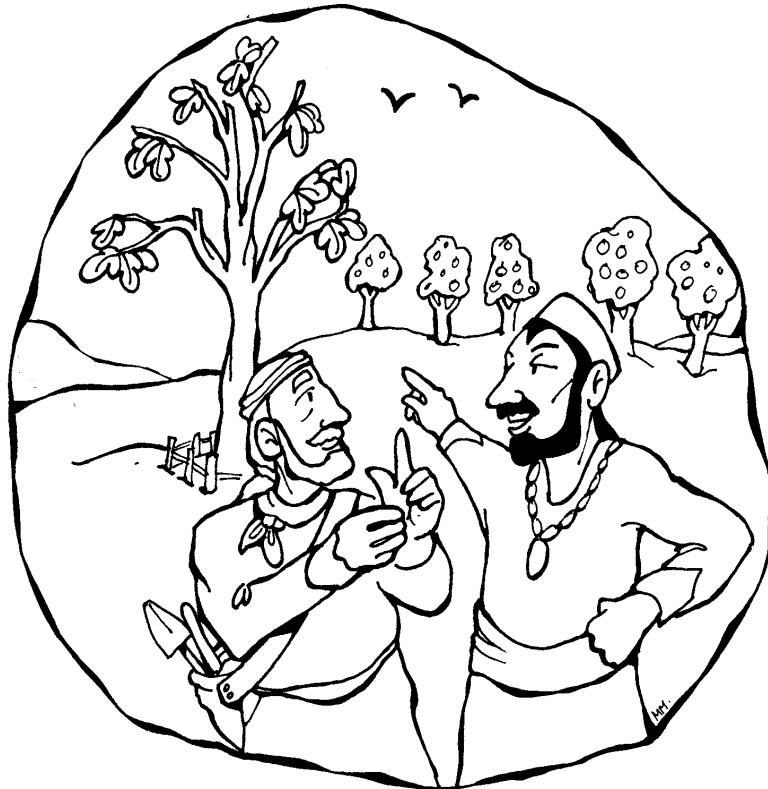


**ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON**  
**MARCH 23, 2025**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT**



LUKE 13.1-9

**THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON**

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**March 23, 2025**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent**

*Welcome to everyone gathered here today.*

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**Today's Readings**

Isaiah 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8;  
1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**

Three Harbours, Nova Scotia

**Provincial Prayer Care**

Diocese of Quebec – Bishop Bruce Myers

**Council of the North**

Territory of the People – Archbishop Lynne McNaughton

**DCS Cycle of Prayer** – St. John's, Crapaud

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



## **March 30 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent (violet)**

**Readings:** Joshua 5:9-12; Psalm 32;

2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-31

**Readers:** Doreen C, Jean R

**Prayers of the People:** Amy M

**Worship Time:** 11 am – Parish Worship at St. Thomas' HE

## **April 6 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent (violet)**

**Readings:** Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126;

Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8

**Readers:** Judy M, Jim E; Hilda J, Tim O; 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

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**PLEASE NOTE: NO Bible Study on March 27 only.**

Bible Study continues weekly on Thursday, 9:45 – 10:45 a.m.,  
in person at the Rectory and online.

**Clinton View Lodge sing-a-long** will be held Thursday, April 3,  
2:15 pm. All are welcome!

**St. Thomas' APP meeting** - April 8, 10:30 a.m. in the Church Hall.

### **Special Upcoming Services**

~ **Annual Fishers' Service** at St. Thomas' - April 13 – 6:00 p.m.

~ **Annual Ecumenical Holy Week noon services** at St. Mark's:

April 14 – led by Anglican; April 15 – led by Presbyterian;

April 16 – led by Roman Catholic; April 17 – led by United.

### **Parish Easter Services**

**Maundy Thursday:** April 17 – 7:00 p.m. St. Stephen's HE

**Good Friday:** April 18 – 12:00 p.m. St. Mark's

**Easter Sunday:** April 20 – 7:00 a.m. St. Thomas' HE

9:00 a.m. St. Mark's HE

11:00 a.m. St. Stephen's HE

**St. Thomas' APP** is planning a **Friendship Luncheon** for all 4  
churches in the Parish. It will be held at Lotus Garden Restaurant in  
Kensington on Friday, May 2, at 11:30 a.m. All people of the Parish  
are welcome; please call or text to book your seat. 😊

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Sandra: 902-836-4751

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**Men of the Harvest** will be performing a benefit concert in support of  
Hospice PEI on Sunday, April 6, 2:30 p.m. at Trinity United Church,  
Summerside. Admission by donations at the door. All are welcome!

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### **COLLECT** (pg. 290)

Father of mercy,

alone we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves.

When we are discouraged by our weakness,

strengthen us to follow Christ, our pattern and our hope;

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever.

### **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS** (pg. 291)

Gracious God, we know your power to triumph over weakness.

May we who ask forgiveness be ready to forgive one another,

in the name of Jesus the Lord.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (pg. 291)

God of mercy and forgiveness,

may we who share this sacrament

live together in unity and peace,

in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

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*\*Illustration on front cover is from a series of lectoons by Anglican Priest  
& Artist, Rev. Mel Malton, recently retired from The Diocese of NS & PEI.*

### **A READING FROM ISAIAH 55:1-9**

“Come, all you who are thirsty,  
    come to the waters;  
and you who have no money,  
    come, buy and eat!  
Come, buy wine and milk  
    without money and without cost.  
Why spend money on what is not bread,  
    and your labor on what does not satisfy?  
Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good,  
    and you will delight in the richest of fare.  
Give ear and come to me;  
    listen, that you may live.  
I will make an everlasting covenant with you,  
    my faithful love promised to David.  
See, I have made him a witness to the peoples,  
    a ruler and commander of the peoples.  
Surely you will summon nations you know not,  
    and nations you do not know will come running to you,  
because of the LORD your God,  
    the Holy One of Israel,  
    for he has endowed you with splendor.”  
Seek the LORD while he may be found;  
    call on him while he is near.  
Let the wicked forsake their ways  
    and the unrighteous their thoughts.  
Let them turn to the LORD, and he will have mercy on them,  
    and to our God, for he will freely pardon.  
“For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
    neither are your ways my ways,”  
declares the LORD.  
“As the heavens are higher than the earth,  
    so are my ways higher than your ways  
    and my thoughts than your thoughts.

### **A READING FROM 1 CORINTHIANS 10:1-13**

For I do not want you to be ignorant of the fact, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud and that they all passed through the sea. They were all baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. They all ate the same spiritual food and drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ. Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them; their bodies were scattered in the wilderness. Now these things occurred as examples to keep us from setting our hearts on evil things as they did. Do not be idolaters, as some of them were; as it is written: “The people sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in revelry.” We should not commit sexual immorality, as some of them did—and in one day twenty-three thousand of them died. We should not test Christ, as some of them did—and were killed by snakes. And do not grumble, as some of them did—and were killed by the destroying angel. These things happened to them as examples and were written down as warnings for us, on whom the culmination of the ages has come. So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don’t fall! No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

### **THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE 13:1-9**

Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. Jesus answered, “Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them—do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish.” Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it but did not find any. So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, ‘For three years now I’ve been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven’t found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?’” “‘Sir,’ the man replied, ‘leave it alone for one more year, and I’ll dig around it and fertilize it. If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.’”

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

**Hospice PEI** is an established charitable organization operating for 40 years, offering hospice, caregiver, and grief support services and programs. Hospice PEI offers companionship, emotional, practical support for “Care Recipient” (clients) and their unpaid caregivers wherever they are living, whether that is in their home, in hospital, or community of care. Hospice PEI offers transportation to medical appointments and pleasure outings based on volunteer availability. Hospice PEI services and programs are FREE to all Islanders living with a life-limiting illness. Introducing hospice support earlier in disease progression and decline allows the care recipient and caregivers to feel more comfortable with formed connections before becoming palliative, so that we can be a more practical and comforting presence when the focus changes to end of life care. Volunteers DO NOT replace the work of the homecare health teams, nurses, or physicians. We ARE NOT A HOMECARE PROVIDER and as such are NOT able to lift, transfer, administer medications, provide personal care or provide medical or counselling advice. Hospice PEI Volunteers are required to complete a 15-hour training which includes dementia care and end of life awareness before their first assignment. They are required to have police background and vulnerable sector checks. All volunteers sign confidentiality and conflict of interest agreements and are monitored by paid hospice staff. Hospice Volunteers CAN ... listen and converse with, read to, be an emotional support, and help with legacy work such as letter writing/videoing, compiling photo memories, provide short respite breaks for caregivers, facilitate activities and hobbies such as playing cards, board games, art activities, and social activities to meet the social health of Person center care. Hospice PEI accepts self-referrals by contacting coordinators directly.

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