

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

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June 1, 2025 -- Ascension Sunday

Welcome to everyone gathered here today.

Worship on June 1

9 am – St. Thomas' HE

11 am – St. Stephen's HE

11 am – St. Mark's MP

7 pm – St. Elizabeth's HC

Today's Readings

Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

~ St. Luke's, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia

~ St. John's, Westphal, Nova Scotia

Provincial Prayer Care

National Indigenous Archbishop Christopher A. Harper
and the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples

Council of the North - Diocese of Yukon -

Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame

DCS Cycle of Prayer – St. Luke's, O'Leary

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside

June 8: The Day of Pentecost (red)

Worship Times: 9 am – St. Thomas' HE

11 am – St. Stephen's MP

11 am – St. Mark's HE

Readings: Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:25-35, 37b;

Romans 8:14-17; John 14:8-17, 25-27

Readers: Judy M, Jim E; Hilda J, Tim O; Doris M, Norma T

Prayers of the People: Grafton C, Amy M, Bronwyn C

Communications

To add greater ease for congregation members to receive timely information, and to help visitors easily find us now that the tourist season is upon us, please note:

~ The Anglican Parish of New London Facebook page will post upcoming Sunday services (time, church, and location) as well as general ongoing posts worth following.

~ Email will be sent on Wednesday to parishioners with the upcoming week's bulletin, and the bulletin will now include service times and locations for that week. ***If you don't wish to receive emails from the Parish, OR if you haven't received an email and wish to, please let us know. Leave a message on the office phone or email the office.***

~ The Anglican Parish of New London website (www.nlparish.org - click "Home") will have upcoming service times and locations posted.

We will continue to:

~ have printed bulletins in our churches each Sunday

~ post the bulletins on the website homepage

~ post upcoming events on the website calendar page

~ include the following week's service times and information in the weekly bulletin

~ include upcoming service times on the office phone voicemail

~ announce upcoming services in the County Line Courier

~ post Parish Council meeting highlights

~ depend on the individual church Facebook and text trees for specific events and/or cancellations

Also, we will now ensure that the Collect, Readings, Psalm, Prayer over Gifts, and Prayer after Communion are provided in order on a weekly bulletin insert. This will enhance following along with the service itself!

JUNE WORSHIP SCHEDULE

June 15

9 am – St. Thomas' MP

11 am – St. Stephen's HE

11 am – St. Mark's MP

7 pm – St. Elizabeth's HC

June 22

11 am – St. Thomas' MP – Flower Service

11 am – St. Stephen's MP

11 am – St. Mark's MP

June 29

11 am – Parish Worship at St. Elizabeth's HC

Parish Council Executive meeting will be held on
Wednesday, June 4, 6:00 p.m. at the Rectory.

Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 10,
7:00 pm at St. Thomas' Church.

St. Thomas' annual flower service will be held on June 22 at 11 am.
If you would like to buy flowers in memory of a loved one, please
contact Susan (902-886-2076) or Lola (902-303-5795). Thanks!!

Please join us for our annual **Ice Cream Social and Bake Sale**
at St. Thomas' Anglican Church on Friday, June 27th,
from 6-8 pm. Civic number 5559 Route 20, Spring Brook.
If you would like to give a donation to support expenses
involved with St. Thomas' Ice Cream Social, please mark
an envelope and put in the collection plate. Thank you!

St. Mark's Church **Yard & Bake Sale** Fundraiser: June 21, 9-12.
We will accept donations (clean and in good condition), as well as
baked goods. To schedule a donation pick up, please call Marlene
(902-439-9642) or Alan (902-439-1627).

Vacation Bible School – July 7 – 11 - Daily 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.
for ages 4-12. Fee: \$25.00 per child; \$50.00 per family (3 or more).
Space is filling up quickly! Register online or at the Parish office.

COLLECT

Almighty God,
your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord.
Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of his peace,
and bring the whole of creation to worship at his feet,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

A READING FROM ACTS 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

PSALM 47

Clap your hands, all you peoples;*
shout to God with a cry of joy.
For the Lord Most High is to be feared;*
he is the great king over all the earth.
He subdues the peoples under us,*
and the nations under our feet.
He chooses our inheritance for us,*
the pride of Jacob whom he loves.
God has gone up with a shout,*
the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn.
Sing praises to God, sing praises;*
sing praises to our king, sing praises.
For God is king of all the earth;*
sing praises with all your skill.
God reigns over the nations;*
God sits upon his holy throne.
The nobles of the peoples have gathered together*
with the people of the God of Abraham.
The rulers of the earth belong to God,*
and he is highly exalted.

Blessed are you, God of all the earth; you have called us out of every people and nation to be a royal priesthood and citizens of your holy city. May our words of praise call the world to turn to the joy of fellowship with you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A READING FROM EPHESIANS 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.

God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE 24:44-53

Jesus said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Eternal God, our Saviour Jesus Christ
has promised to be with us until the end of time.
Accept all we offer you this day,
and renew us in his transfigured life;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal Giver of love and power,
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world
to preach the gospel of his kingdom. Confirm us in this mission,
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.