June 1: Ascension Sunday (white or gold)

Worship Times: 9 am – St. Thomas' MP

11 am – St. Stephen's HE 11 am – St. Mark's MP

7 pm – St. Elizabeth's HC

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

Readers: Sandra H, Judy C; Doreen C, Jean R;

Martyn C, Marie M; Blaine C, Velma H

Prayers of the People: Jim E, Doreen C, Doris M

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 beginning this week:

- ~ 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, please let us know. 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:

- ~ post 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!

Rectory Yard Clean-up

A huge thanks to those able to come out Tuesday afternoon and evening to help out with the Rectory yard clean up – Tim, Lola, Leanne, Amy, Carl, Tony, Hugh, Grafton, Alan, Sherry – a fine crew of gardening angels! Your efforts will be appreciated by all who drive or walk by, as well as for continuing ongoing maintenance of the property.

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.

St. Mark's Church **Yard & Bake Sale** Fundraiser: June 21, 9-12. We would be pleased to accept donations such as toys, games, accessories, knick knacks, books, puzzles, household items, giftware items, garden decor, craft supplies, small furniture items, sporting equipment, or any other treasures you might have hidden away. All items should be clean and in good condition. Also included in our fundraiser will be a Bake Sale Table. To schedule a donation pick up, please call Marlene (902-439-9642) or Alan (902-439-1627).

Vacation Bible School 2025 registration is now open! This year's theme is: "*Road Trip: On the Go with God*". July 7-11 at Murray Christian Education Centre, Kensington. Daily 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. for ages 4-12. Fee: \$25.00 per child; \$50.00 per family (3 or more children). Enjoy music, stories, crafts, snacks, and games! Registration forms are available, or register online.

IN MEMORIAM

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

Edward Simmons Keith & Irene Harrington Judy (Harrington)MacLeod

Every day in some small way memories of you come our way. Though absent, you are ever near, still missed, still loved, and always dear.

Remembered by Eleanor Kim, Jason & Justin, Nancy, Doug, Ross, Ian

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May 25, 2025 -- 6th Sunday of Easter

Welcome to everyone gathered here today.

Worship on May 25

9 am – St. Stephen's MP

11 am – St. Mark's MP

11 am – St. Thomas' MP

Today's Readings

Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67; Revelation 21:10, 22 – 22:5; John 14:23-29



Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

- ~ Holy Spirit, Dartmouth, NS
- ~ St. Alban's, Woodside, NS
- ~ St. Andrew's, Locks Road, NS

Provincial Prayer Care

Diocese of Western Newfoundland ~ Bishop John Organ

<u>Council of the North</u> - Diocese of Moosonee -Archbishop Anne Germond & Archbishop Fred Hiltz

DCS Cycle of Prayer – St. Peter's, Foxley River

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside

COLLECT (pg 341)

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
riches beyond imagination.
Pour into our hearts such love toward you,
that we, loving you above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

A READING FROM ACTS 16:9-15

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

PSALM 67

May God be merciful to us and bless us,*

show us the light of his countenance and come to us.

Let your ways be known upon earth,*

your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;*

let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,*

for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;*

let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has brought forth her increase;*

may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

May God give us his blessing,*

and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

Blessed are you, Lord our God, light of the earth and health of the nations; you lead us in the way of justice and mercy, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A READING FROM REVELATION 21:10, 22-22:5

And in the spirit, an angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day - and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honour of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practises abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN 14:23-29

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS (pg 342)

God of glory, accept all we offer you this day, and bring us to that eternal city of love and light, where Christ is King. We ask this in his name.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (pg 342)

Father, you restored us to life by raising your Son from death.

May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will, in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.