

ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

OCTOBER 5, 2025
17th SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST



LUKE 17:5-10

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THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

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Worship on October 5

9 am – St. Mark's MP

11 am – St. Stephen's HE

11 am – St. Thomas' MP

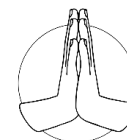
Today's Readings

Lamentations 1:1-6; Psalm 137; 2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

~ New Ross, NS

~ Rawdon, NS



Provincial Prayer Care

Diocese of Fredericton – Archbishop David Edwards –

Bishop Ordinary to the Canadian Armed Forces Nigel Shaw
and all military chaplains

Council of the North - Archdeaconry of Labrador, Bishop Sam Rose
Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland & Labrador

DCS Cycle of Prayer – St. John's, Ellerslie

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside

October 12: Harvest Thanksgiving (white)

Worship Times: 9 am – St. Mark's HE
11 am – St. Stephen's MP
11 am – St. Thomas' HE
7 pm – St. Elizabeth's HC

Readings: Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 100;
Philippians 4:4-9; John 6:25-35

Readers: Judy M, Jim E; Jean R, Hilda J;
Doris M, Norma T; Grace H, MacKenzie C

Prayers of the People: Sandra H, Doreen C, Bronwyn C

~ **Thank you** to all those who participate each Sunday by reading scripture and Prayers of the People. If anyone would like to add their name to the reader's list, please let the office know.

~ **Bible Study** – Every Thursday 9:45-10:45 am at the Rectory
We will continue to explore upcoming weekly scripture readings.
Returning and new participants are always welcome!

~ **Parish Friendship Luncheon** will be held on Friday, October 10,
12:00 p.m. at Lotus Garden Restaurant, Kensington. Contacts:
Sandra Harrington 902-836-4751
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Doreen Cole 902-886-2207---902-439-3816

~ **Yarns and Tea** will be held every Tuesday, 1:00-4:00 pm
at St. Thomas' Church Hall. All are welcome to attend!

Save the Date!

November 1st, 2025 – St. Mark's Church Christmas Yard & Bake Sale Fundraiser from 9 a.m. – noon. We would be pleased to accept Christmas-themed donations such as puzzles, games, accessories, jewellery, knick knacks, books, household items, Christmas clothing, giftware items, craft supplies, sporting equipment, or any other treasures you feel would make a great gift idea. 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).

"THINKING OF YOU" PACKAGES

Prince County Hospital requests donations of the following items to be included in care packages for patients enduring long hospital stays or undergoing treatment:

~ puzzle/game books, magazines, deodorant, shampoo/conditioner, body wash, tampons, reading glasses, denture cleaner, colouring books, pencil crayons, markers, pjs, t-shirts, socks, underwear, nail files, nail clippers, brush/comb, playing cards, craft items.

Please bring your donations to church by Sunday, October 26.

UPCOMING CHURCH COUNCIL MEETINGS

(note re: Canon 35 - Bi-laws info circulated to congregations)

~ St. Thomas' – Monday, September 22 – 7 pm

(info provided September 28)

~ St. Mark's – Wednesday, October 1 – 7 pm

(info provided September 28)

~ St. Stephen's – Wednesday, October 8 – 7 pm

(info provided September 22)

~ St. Elizabeth's – Meeting TBD *(info provided September 28)*

~ Parish Executive – Thursday, October 16 – 6 pm at the Rectory

~ Parish Council – Tuesday, October 21 – 7 pm at St. Stephen's

5th Sunday of the month Parish Service – November 30 –

at St. Thomas' at 11 am, with pot luck to follow. Joint choirs singing.

Men of the Harvest fall concert will be held at St. Stephen's Anglican Church (1612 Rte. 101, Irishtown) on Sunday, October 26, 2:30 p.m. Tickets (\$15) are available from Grafton Cole (888-8915); Leigh Adams (303-5071); or the office.

Annual Ecumenical Christmas Carol Service will be held on Monday, December 1, 7:30 pm at Kensington United Church (storm date: Dec. 8). Our joint choirs will again perform together.

Food safety course for volunteers will be held on Tuesday, October 28, 6:00 p.m. at Trinity United Church, Summerside. If you wish to take this course, please phone 902-368-4970 or email envhealth@ihis.org.

COLLECT

Almighty God,
you have built your Church
on the foundation of the apostles and prophets,
Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone.
Join us together in unity of spirit by their teaching,
that we may become a holy temple, acceptable to you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

A READING FROM LAMENTATIONS 1:1-6

How lonely sits the city that once was full of people! How like a widow she has become, she that was great among the nations! She that was a princess among the provinces has become a vassal. She weeps bitterly in the night, with tears on her cheeks; among all her lovers she has no one to comfort her; all her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they have become her enemies. Judah has gone into exile with suffering and hard servitude; she lives now among the nations, and finds no resting place; her pursuers have all overtaken her in the midst of her distress. The roads to Zion mourn, for no one comes to the festivals; all her gates are desolate, her priests groan; her young girls grieve, and her lot is bitter. Her foes have become the masters, her enemies prosper, because the Lord has made her suffer for the multitude of her transgressions; her children have gone away, captives before the foe. From daughter Zion has departed all her majesty. Her princes have become like stags that find no pasture; they fled without strength before the pursuer.

PSALM 137

By the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept,*

when we remembered you, O Zion.

As for our harps, we hung them up*

on the trees in the midst of that land.

For those who led us away captive asked us for a song,
and our oppressors called for mirth:*

"Sing us one of the songs of Zion."

How shall we sing the Lord's song*

upon an alien soil?

If I forget you, O Jerusalem,*

let my right hand forget its skill.

Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth if I do not remember you,*

if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy.

Remember the day of Jerusalem, O Lord, against the people of Edom,*

who said, "Down with it! down with it! even to the ground!"

O Daughter of Babylon, doomed to destruction,*

happy the one who pays you back

for what you have done to us!

Happy shall he be who takes your little ones,*

and dashes them against the rock!

**God of courage and compassion, comfort the exiled and oppressed,
strengthen the faith of your people, and bring us all to our true home,
the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.**

A READING FROM 2 TIMOTHY 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God - whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did - when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

ACCORDING TO LUKE 17:5-10

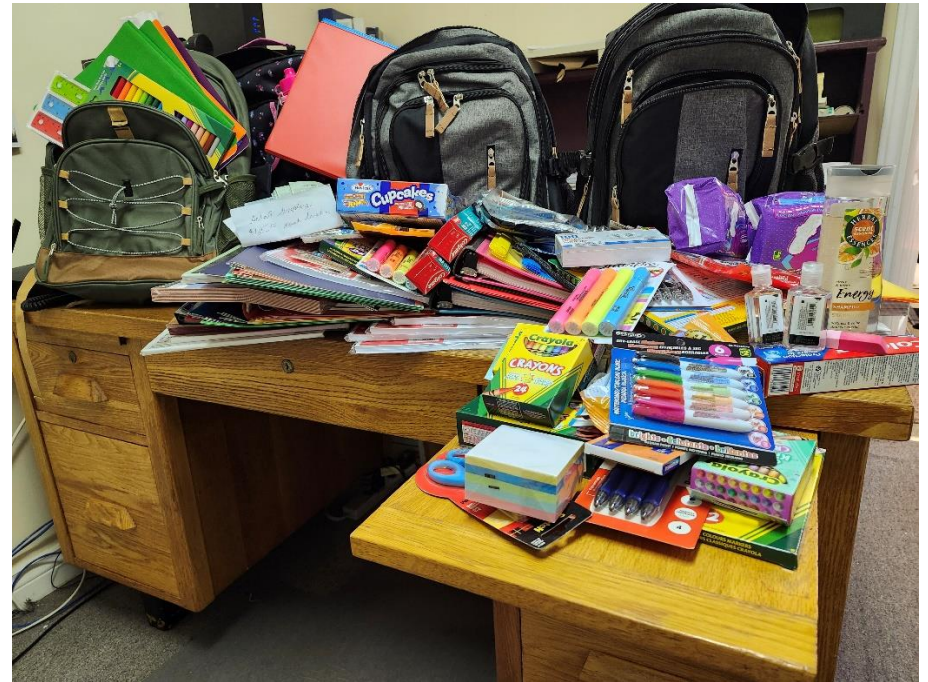
The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" The Lord replied, "If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. Who among you would say to your slave who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here at once and take your place at the table'? Would you not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, put on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat and drink'? Do you thank the slave for doing what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that you were ordered to do, say, 'We are worthless slaves; we have done only what we ought to have done!'"

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

God of truth,
receive all we offer you this day.
Make us worthy servants,
strong to follow in the pattern
of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty God,
may we who have been strengthened by this eucharist
remain in your steadfast love,
and show in our lives
the saving mystery that we celebrate.
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.



**Thank you to everyone
who donated items for the backpacks!**

Along with supplies, \$125 was donated.

Here's a photo of the result of your generosity!