

ANGLICAN PARISH OF NEW LONDON

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August 9, 2026 11th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship on August 9

9 am – St. Thomas' MP
11 am – St. Stephen's MP
11 am – St. Mark's MP

Today's Readings

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28; Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45c;
Romans 10:5-15; Matthew 14:22-33

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

~ St. Luke's, Hubbards, NS
~ St. John the Evangelist, Sackville, NS

Provincial Prayer Care

Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario
~ Archbishop Anne Germond and the Provincial Council

DCS Cycle of Prayer – Holy Trinity, Alma

Prayer Partner - Parish of Timberlea-Lakeside

August 16: 12th Sunday after Pentecost (green)

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

Readings: Genesis 45:1-15; Psalm 133;
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:21-28

Readers: Judy M, Jim E; Jean R, Jim D;
Marie M, Barb C; Velma H, Beryl C

Prayers of the People: Grafton C, Lola MO, Marlene C

Did you know that you can watch one of our weekly Church Services online?

One service each Sunday is taped and then put online.
The link can be found on the Parish of New London Facebook page.

For the month of August, Parish secretary Bonnie LaFrance will be in the office on Wednesday evenings (5-7 p.m).

Please forward information for the bulletins by noon on Wednesday (nlparish@eastlink.ca). ***Please note:** Bonnie will not be in the office on August 19, as there is no bulletin to prepare for August 23.

Rev. Shirley will be on holidays from July 31 until August 20. Pastoral coverage will be provided by Rev. Calvin Burt, Chaplain at Prince County Hospital. Rev. Calvin can be reached at 902-715-4006. There are Anglican Priests who will be available as necessary. Leanne Brister as Parish Council Secretary will coordinate as necessary with Rev. Calvin and the Church/Parish Wardens. Leanne can be reached at 905-867-5378. General administrative messages can be left on the office voicemail or the office email and will be responded to as necessary, or upon Rev. Shirley's return. Thank you to the LLMs and congregational members who will be covering the three weeks of Church Services while Rev. Shirley is away. All the Services will be Morning Prayer for August 2, 9, and 16. There will be no services in the Parish on August 23; please join us for the Harvest Festival Ecumenical Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. at the Kensington Rink.

Worship on August 23

9:30 a.m. – Kensington Harvest Festival Ecumenical Worship Service will be held at the rink. All are invited to attend.

NOTE: There are no Services in New London Parish.

Anyone interested is invited to participate in the **joint choir** for the Harvest Festival Ecumenical Service. If interested, there will be one practice at Holy Family Church, Broadway Street, Kensington, on Monday, August 17, at 10:30 a.m. Please contact Mary Pendergast at marygpendergast@gmail.com if you have any questions.

August 30 Parish Worship will be held at St. Thomas' (with Holy Eucharist) at 11:00 a.m., followed by pot luck lunch and musical entertainment. Recognizing that the end of August is moving us into the harvest season and knowing how much for which we have to be thankful, the theme for this Church Service will be *'To God be the Glory'* focusing on joy and happiness. All are welcome to attend!

You are invited – Come Walk in Faith

Are you looking to spend an hour with Parish friends?

Aug. 20 and Sept. 3 from 10-11 a.m., weather permitting, meet at St. Mark's parking lot. Using faith cards as a conversation starter, either walk the trail or sit and enjoy a time of fellowship. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy refreshments on the Rectory lawn afterwards. All are welcome! For more info, contact Leanne Brister – 905-867-5378; or the Church office – 902-836-3303 – nlparish@eastlink.ca.

COLLECT

Almighty God,
you sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church.
Open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love, joy, and peace;
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 GENESIS 37:1-4, 12-28

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams."

But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" - that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

PSALM 105:1-6, 16-22, 45C

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;*
make known his deeds among the peoples.
Sing to him, sing praises to him,*
and speak of all his marvellous works.
Glory in his holy name;*
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
Search for the Lord and his strength;*
continually seek his face.
Remember the marvels he has done,*
his wonders and the judgements of his mouth,
O offspring of Abraham his servant,*
O children of Jacob his chosen.
Then he called for a famine in the land*
and destroyed the supply of bread.
He sent a man before them,*
Joseph, who was sold as a slave.
They bruised his feet in fetters;*
his neck they put in an iron collar.

Until his prediction came to pass,*

the word of the Lord tested him.

The king sent and released him;*

the ruler of the peoples set him free.

He set him as master over his household,*

as a ruler over all his possessions,

To instruct his princes according to his will*

and to teach his elders wisdom. Hallelujah!

God of our salvation, through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, you have fulfilled your promise to our ancestors in the faith to redeem the world from slavery and to lead us into the promised land. Grant us living water from the rock and bread from heaven, that we may survive our desert pilgrimage and praise you forever, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

A READING FROM ROMANS 10:5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

ACCORDING TO MATTHEW 14:22-33

Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Father, receive all we offer you this day,
and grant that in this eucharist
we may be enriched by the gifts of the Spirit.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God,
grant to your Church the unity and peace
that we have tasted in this eucharist,
the fruit of your life-giving Spirit.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.