

Dismissal Songs

“Go Now in Peace”

*Go now in peace; never be afraid,
God will go with you each hour of every day,
Go now in faith, steadfast strong and true,
Know he will guide you in all you do.*

*Go now in love and show you believe,
Reach out to others so all the world can see,
God will be there watching from above,
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.*

“Let There Be Love”

*Let there be love shared among us,
let there be love in our eyes;
may now your love sweep this nation,
cause us, Oh Lord to arise;
Give us a fresh understanding,
of Christian love that is real;
let there be love shared among us,
let there be love.*

“May God’s Blessing”

*May God’s blessing surround you each day,
As you trust Him and walk in his way.
May his presence within
Guard and keep you from sin,
go in peace, go in joy, go in love.*

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A WARM WELCOME IS EXTENDED TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS WHO ARE WITH US TODAY. WE HOPE THAT GOD WILL BLESS US AS WE WORSHIP HIM HERE TOGETHER AT ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH.

Message from the Rector

As I offer this reflection, we are approaching *Ascension Sunday*, on our calendar, it is also known as *Jerusalem & the Holy Land Sunday* (June 1st). It is of course the land that Jesus was born into, was raised as a child in, began his ministry in, spent his entire earthly ministry in, died in, and ascended into heaven from. Our entire book of scriptures, new and old testaments, come to us from these *Holy Lands*. Now, we can't deny that it has always been a place of great upheaval, violence, war, persecution and political unrest. The Holy Land, a region of profound religious significance for Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, continues to captivate the imagination of people around the world. People still flock to this place to try to imagine what it must have been like when Jesus walked through the streets and villages there. To try to recapture a sense of the holy over 2000 years later, and for many, they are able to achieve this sense of awe and sacredness. They visit such places as , the shore of Galilee, the sea of Capernaum, the ruins of the Pool of Bethesda, the city of Nazareth, the city of Jerusalem, the Judean Desert where Jesus went to pray, ruins of the synagogue in Capernaum (Peter's hometown), Mount of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, the Garen Tomb (believed to be the place Jesus was entombed, and a whole host of other biblically declared places in history. When we visit those sites, we can be, and are often in holy places where the feet of Jesus once walked, and we connect with him on that level. Today the Holy Lands certainly need our prayers, a place now where so much blood is being spilled, so many people (mostly innocent people) are being maimed and murdered in horrific numbers. Arguably, this has been going on for thousands of years, but never to the degree it is now, with the aid of weapons of mass destruction. So much desecration, so much death, people trapped in Gaza being starved to death because of the blockade imposed by Israel, that shuts of completely or slows to a trickle the amount of humanitarian aid allowed to enter. We do not overlook the reality that this all started with the October 7th, 2023 Hamas incursion into Israel, killing about 1200 citizens in a matter of minutes, taking many as hostages, of which some hostages have since died or been killed in captivity, and a number still being held alive. We deplore such violence and killing, and recognize Hamas as a terrorist organization. That said, we cannot simply look blindly as Israel continues to utterly destroy Gaza, without regard for the more than

2 million people who live there. To date, more than 50,000 citizens, overwhelmingly innocent men, women and children have been killed and thousands more severely injured, as the bombs continue to descend upon Gaza. Even Israeli citizens are calling for their government to end this carnage, to try to bring home the few remaining hostages and stop the death and destruction, which to date it refuses to do. Wiping out Hamas and other terrorist groups that may exist there is one thing, but the killing and inhumane treatment of innocent civilians, including starvation is another thing, and may be seen as crimes against humanity even. So how do we still call this the Holy Lands when so much evil takes place there? Perhaps it is because God chose it to be place of incarnation, the place where Jesus would be born, live, die and be resurrected in, just to show us that even in the face of evil, war and destruction, something holy can be found there. We see holiness there when a food truck enters to feed starving people, where doctors and nurses continue to provide life-saving care in hospitals that have just been bombed, but children and adults are being brought for medical attention, so they stay to help them. We see holiness, not in the violence and war, but in the hearts of those who protest on the grounds of compassion and mercy. Isn't that the case in every part of the world? What makes it holy lands is when kindness, love, compassion and mercy is able to shine forth in ways that dispels the darkness of evil, where hope is found in places that seem hopeless. In that sense all our communities become holy lands, and we can find a sense of the sacred, touched by the hands and feet of Jesus because we are his hands and feet in the world. It is a wonderful experience to visit the holy lands of the middle east, but we too live in holy lands, touched and transformed by the presence of Jesus. In the month of June, we will celebrate the Day of Pentecost (June 8th), when the Holy Spirit was poured out on all people in all lands, and that includes all of us, and that makes us holy people in holy places. We will celebrate Trinity Sunday (June 15th) and be reminded of the Great Commission given by Jesus at the end of Matthew's gospel: *As Jesus was getting ready to ascend to heaven, He gathered the disciples together and said, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age"* Each time we celebrate baptism, as we will in June, we are living out this great commission, shining light in darkness, proclaiming hope in despair, and being reminded we are holy people in a holy land.

Rev. Randy

Our regular Coffee hour on the first Sunday of each month will take place instead on the **4th Sunday of June**. We thought it would be good to do it then because soon after school will be out, including Sunday School, and we can highlight the attendance of the children as well with some extra treats etc. So, on Sunday, June 22nd our Coffee hour will take place at the usual time before worship and we would like to see lots of children join us.

During the month of June we will have baptism on two Sundays, June 15th and 29th. Any other parents wanting to have their child baptized on either of these dates are asked to speak to Rev. Randy soon.

Any men of the parish wanting to join us for the fellowship day coming up on June 7th (See the note about this here in the bulletin) are asked to let us know no later than Monday, June 2nd. We have to pass along the number of people attending to St. Thomas' church so they know how many to prepare lunch for.

Church ladies will be going to Jack's restaurant at the Capital Hotel this Wednesday, June 4th at 6:00 pm for their annual closing dinner. Any ladies of the congregation wanting to join them are welcome to, but you will need to let us know immediately because we have to provide the number attending to the restaurant. Please speak to Bernice King if you would like to join us.

Our ACM (Men's Group) will be having their year-end barbeque on Wednesday, June 18th at 6:00 pm in the Canon EB Cheeseman parish centre. Any men of our congregation that would like to attend are welcome, just speak to Gary King or Harvey Hiscock.

Diocese of Central Newfoundland Co-ed Youth Camp. Boys and Girls learning together July 28, 2025 – August 1, 2025 Location: Lion's Max Simms Memorial Camp. Theme: GRACE QUEST - AN ADVENTURE WITH GOD!!! If you would like your child to attend, please see Rev. Randy about further details, including cost and applications. Children are welcome to apply from all three NL dioceses.

From Bishop Sam: I am reaching out to encourage any Licensed Lay Ministers in your parish to participate in a "test run" of a new online Lay Ministry course offered through Queen's College. This course will equip them for effective lay ministry within our parishes. I am currently seeking 2 to 4 names for this initial test run of the course. The course is free, self-paced, and consists of five self-directed modules. Participants will need access to a computer and the internet; the required textbook will be provided at no cost. This is a valuable opportunity for our Lay Ministers to enhance their skills and deepen their service to our communities.

<p><u>June 1st</u></p> <p>Ascension Sunday</p> <p>Scriptural Sentence <i>“Go and make disciples of all nations, says the Lord; I am with you always, to the close of the age.”</i></p> <p><u>1st Reading</u> Acts 1 : 1-11 Psalm 47 / Pages: 764-765 <i>(Betty Lewis)</i></p> <p><u>2nd Reading</u> Ephesians 1: 15-23 <i>(Brenda Harding)</i></p> <p><u>Gospel</u> Luke 24: 44-53 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i></p> <p><u>Collects & Prayers</u></p> <p><u>Collect</u> – 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. Amen.</p> <p><u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – 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. Amen.</p> <p><u>Prayer after Communion</u> – 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. Amen.</p>	<p><u>June 8th</u></p> <p>Day of Pentecost</p> <p>Scriptural Sentence <i>“Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful; and kindle in us the fire of your love.”</i></p> <p><u>1st Reading</u> Genesis 11 : 1-9 Psalm 104: 25-35, 37b Pages: 844-845 <i>(Debbie Collis-Best)</i></p> <p><u>2nd Reading</u> Acts 2: 1-21 <i>(Jennifer Cross)</i></p> <p><u>Gospel</u> John 14: 8-17 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i></p> <p><u>Collects & Prayers</u></p> <p><u>Collect</u> – Almighty and everliving God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal, keep us in the unity of your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.</p> <p><u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – Giver of life, receive all we offer you this day. Let the Spirit you bestow on your Church continue to work in the world through the hearts of all who believe. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.</p> <p><u>Prayer after Communion</u> – Father, may we who have received this eucharist live in the unity of your Holy Spirit, that we may show forth his gifts to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</p>	<p><u>June 15th</u></p> <p>Trinity Sunday</p> <p>Scriptural Sentence <i>“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.”</i></p> <p><u>1st Reading</u> Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31 Psalm 8 / Pages : 711-712 <i>(Rev. Russell Osmond)</i></p> <p><u>2nd Reading</u> Romans 5: 1-5 <i>(Joan Osmond)</i></p> <p><u>Gospel</u> John 16: 12-15 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i></p> <p><u>Collects & Prayers</u></p> <p><u>Collect</u> – Father, we praise you: through your Word and Holy Spirit you created all things. You reveal your salvation in all the world by sending to us Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Through your Holy Spirit you give us a share in your life and love. Fill us with the vision of your glory, that we may always serve and praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.</p> <p><u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – Living God, receive all we offer you this day. Grant that hearing your word and responding to your Spirit, we may share in your divine life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.</p> <p><u>Prayer after Communion</u> – Almighty and eternal God, may we who have received this eucharist worship you in all we do, and proclaim the glory of your majesty. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.</p>	<p><u>June 22nd</u></p> <p>Birth of John the Baptist</p> <p>Scriptural Sentence <i>“You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way.”</i></p> <p><u>1st Reading</u> Isaiah 40 : 1-11 Psalm 85 : 7-13 / Page: 819 <i>(Harve Hiscock)</i></p> <p><u>2nd Reading</u> Acts 13: 14b-26 <i>(Ruth Hiscock)</i></p> <p><u>Gospel</u> Luke 1: 57-80 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i></p> <p><u>Collects & Prayers</u></p> <p><u>Collect</u> – Almighty God, you called John the Baptist to give witness to the coming of your Son and to prepare his way. Give your people the wisdom to see your purpose, and the openness to hear your will, that we too may witness to Christ’s coming and so prepare his way; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.</p> <p><u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – God of our salvation, accept all we offer you this day, and free us to worship you without fear, in holiness and righteousness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</p> <p><u>Prayer after Communion</u> – We thank you, Lord, for your word and your table which give us the knowledge of salvation. Your compassion has broken on us like the dawn; guide now our feet into the way of peace. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.</p>	<p><u>June 29th</u></p> <p>Canada Day</p> <p>Scriptural Sentence <i>“If any serve me, the Father will honour them.”</i></p> <p><u>1st Reading</u> Isaiah 32 : 1-5, 16-18 Psalm 85 : 7-13 / Page: 819 <i>(Gloria Earle)</i></p> <p><u>2nd Reading</u> Colossians 3: 12-17 <i>(Dave Earle)</i></p> <p><u>Gospel</u> John 15: 12-17 <i>(Deacon Ed Bonnell)</i></p> <p><u>Collects & Prayers</u></p> <p><u>Collect</u> – Almighty God, whose wisdom and whose love are over all, accept the prayers we offer for our nation. Give integrity to its citizens and wisdom to those in authority, that harmony and justice may be secured in obedience to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.</p> <p><u>Prayer over the Gifts</u> – Judge eternal, accept all we offer you this day, and grant to our nation unity and peace. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.</p> <p><u>Prayer after Communion</u> – God of love, may we who have taken holy things grow in unity and peace. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.</p>
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<p><u>NOTICES /MEMORABLE DATES</u></p> <p><u>June 4th</u> - Church Ladies Closing Dinner – 6:00 pm – Capital Hotel.</p> <p><u>June 7th</u> – DAMA – information and fellowship Day starting at 9:00 am – St. Thomas’ Church.</p> <p><u>June 15th</u> – Baptism.</p> <p><u>June 18th</u> - ACM year-end BBQ – 6:00 pm – Canon Cheeseman Parish Centre.</p> <p><u>June 19th</u> – Congratulations to Canon Don Morgan who will celebrate the 65th anniversary of his ordination as Deacon on June 19th.</p> <p><u>June 22nd</u> – Coffee hour.</p> <p><u>June 29th</u> – Baptism.</p>	<p><u>June 23rd-29th</u> - Anglican Church of Canada General Synod will be held June 23rd – 29th at London, Ontario, in the diocese of Huron.</p> <p><u>July 28th</u> - The date for the annual Flower service is Sunday, July 28th at 3:00 pm. Should the weather not be suitable the service will be held inside the church.</p> <p><u>September 13th</u> - Our parish will be hosting a diocesan Men’s mission day (DAMA) on Saturday, September 13th.</p>	<p>THIS BULLETIN <i>IS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD</i></p> <p>IN LOVING MEMORY OF:</p> <p><i>Ernest Jones</i> <i>(December 11, 1947 – May 16, 2025)</i></p> <p><i>“Always in our hearts”</i></p> <p>Given by: <i>Maxine, Nadine, Ashley, Kaelyn & Evann</i></p> <p>❖</p> <p>IN LOVING MEMORY OF:</p> <p><i>Val Puglisevich</i> <i>(January 27, 1960 – August 18, 2024)</i></p> <p><i>“Forever loved & sadly missed”</i></p> <p>Given by: <i>Karen, Hayley, Sophia & AJ</i></p>	<p>IN LOVING MEMORY OF:</p> <p><i>Derek Mercer</i> <i>(April 16, 1953 – June 13, 2019)</i></p> <p><i>“Lovingly remembered and Forever in our hearts”</i></p> <p>Given by: <i>Carol, Matthew, Brittany & Calla</i></p> <p>❖</p> <p>IN LOVING MEMORY OF:</p> <p><i>Thomas James Skinner, Jr.</i> <i>(June 9, 1949 – January 24, 1984)</i></p> <p><i>“Forever in our Hearts”</i></p> <p>Given by: <i>Lorraine Whelan & Family</i></p> <p>❖</p> <p>IN LOVING MEMORY OF:</p> <p><i>Lewis Rees</i></p> <p>Given by: <i>Gloria Myles & Family</i></p>
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