

# Fifth Sunday of Easter

## Service of the Word

### Sunday 15 May, 2022



St. Georges Church  
Dutch Settlement

Christ Church  
Lantz

## Our Mission

*To be a diverse ministering community making Christ's presence known in the world around us.*

## Sunday Morning Worship

8:00 and 11:00 (Christ Church: 14 Church St., Lantz)

9:30 (St. George's Church: 1089 Highway 277, Dutch Settlement)

## Parish Office

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## Web Presence

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## Parish Clergy

Rt Rev'd Sandra Fyfe, Diocesan Bishop

Rev'd Lorraine Street, Priest-in-Charge

Rev'd Patty McKenna, retired

## Our Worship Today

During the Covid-19 pandemic some limitations may be placed on our gatherings by the Bishop and Department of Health. We will continue to update this information on a regular basis.

- Please be mindful of distancing. Pews are no longer marked but please do not impose yourself on other people's space. When coming forward to receive communion, please be mindful of your spacing from others.
- Masks are not mandatory. Wearing a mask in indoor public spaces is recommended.

***We acknowledge that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq who have been living on these lands since time immemorial. Recognizing this is a small but meaningful step in reconciliation and the continued efforts of building a strong Nation-to-Nation relationship, as we are all Treaty People.***

*Welcome to all! The texts of our services are based on those printed in the green Book of Alternative Services (BAS) and our hymns are found in the blue Common Praise (CP) or as noted. Our traditions are rooted in almost 2000 years of Christian history, but our expressions of prayer and praise are contemporary. You are invited to participate as you are able, and share in communion at the Lord's Table as you feel called. Our clergy or greeters will happily assist you in any way that we can!*

# A Service of the Word

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**People: And also with you**

Officiant: Let us pray.

We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together  
on the Lord's Day to praise you for your goodness and to ask  
your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that  
is past, and your purpose in the week to come; through Christ  
our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

Officiant: Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to  
worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

Silence is kept

**People: Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us,  
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Officiant: Merciful God, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace,  
that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a  
quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and  
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen**

*The Peace is exchanged in the name of Christ.*

Officiant : The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you.**

*A hymn of praise may be sung. (09:30 and 11:00) (CP #391)*

- 1 Sing ye praises to the Father,  
Sing ye praises to the Son,  
Sing ye praises to the Spirit,  
Living and eternal One.  
God has made us, and has blessed us,  
and has called us to be true;  
God is Lord of all creation,  
Daily making all things new.
  
- 2 Join the praise of ev'ry creature,  
Sing with singing birds at dawn;  
When the stars shine forth at nightfall,  
Hear their heavenly antiphon.  
Praise our God for light of summer,  
Autumn glories, winter snows,  
For the coming of the springtime,  
And the life of all that grows.
  
- 3 Praising on our days of gladness  
For the summons to rejoice;  
Praising in our times of sadness  
For the comfort of God's voice.  
Hail Creator, strong and loving,  
Christ our Savior, Leader, Lord,  
Living God, sustaining Spirit,  
Be thy holy name adored.

## **The Collect of the Day**

*The Collect (prayer of the Day) is said by the Presider*

Presider: Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People: **Amen.**

**The Proclamation of the Word** *The Scripture lessons from the Sunday eucharistic lectionary are read. A sermon or other comment on the readings is delivered.*

Reader: A Reading from the Second Book of Acts (11: 1-18)

(After the reading)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Gathering: Thanks be to God.**

*After the first reading, the Psalm (Psalm 148) is offered to help us think about the reading. The Psalm is read in alternating fashion between the Officiant and the People.*

- 1 Hallelujah! Praise the Lord from the heavens; \*  
praise him in the heights.
- 2 **Praise him, all you angels of his; \* praise him, all his host.**
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon; \* praise him, all you shining stars.
- 4 **Praise him, heaven of heavens, \* and you waters above the heavens.**
- 5 Let them praise the name of the Lord; \*  
for he commanded, and they were created.
- 6 **He made them stand fast for ever and ever; \*  
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.**
- 7 Praise the Lord from the earth, \* you sea-monsters and all deeps;
- 8 **Fire and hail, snow and fog, \* tempestuous wind, doing his will;**
- 9 Mountains and all hills, \* fruit trees and all cedars;
- 10 **Wild beasts and all cattle, \* creeping things and wingèd birds;**
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, \* princes and all rulers of the world;

**12 Young men and maidens, \* old and young together.**

13 Let them praise the name of the Lord, \* for his name only is exalted, his splendour is over earth and heaven.

**14 He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, \* the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Hallelujah!**

**All: Blessed are you, Lord our God, creator of heaven and earth; You open our eyes to see the wonders around us, and our hearts and mouths to praise you. Now give us strength for loving service, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Reader: A Reading from Book of Revelations (21:1-6)  
(After the Reading)  
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church

**Gathering: Thanks be to God.**

*Seated, we listen to the Gospel reading*

Preacher: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
(13:31-35)  
(After the reading)  
Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Gathering: Thanks be to God**

*A homily or reflection on the deepens our understanding and helps us think more about the readings.*

*The officiant invites the people, in these or similar words, to join in reciting the Apostles' Creed. Standing:*

Officiant : Let us confess our faith as we say,

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

*Please remain Standing for the prayers of the community  
We pray for the church, the world, our community, and those known to us,  
remembering especially those in particular need. We respond to each  
petition saying, **Hear our Prayer.***

*A hymn may be sung, during which the offerings of the people are collected  
and presented.*

(Offertory Hymn- CP #428)

**God who gives to life its goodness, God creator of all joy  
Giver of all human freedom God who blesses tool and toy  
Teach us now to laugh and praise you deep within your praises sing  
Till the whole creation dances for the goodness of its King**

**God who fills the earth with beauty, God who binds each friend to  
friend  
Giver of all human talent, God who wills that chaos end  
Grant us now creative spirits, minds responsive to your mind  
Hearts and wills your rule extending, all our acts by love refined**

*When the offering is placed in a suitable place, all say:*

**All :** Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

*Parish announcements- the people may be seated for the Parish announcements, prior to the concluding prayers*

## **Concluding Prayers**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**Officiant:** And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**All:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **Doxology**

**Officiant:** Glory to God

**All:** whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.  
Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever.  
Amen.

A concluding hymn dismisses us. (CP #504)

**Refrain: Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love,  
Show Us How To Serve  
The Neighbours We Have From You.**

**Kneels At The Feet Of His Friends,  
Silently Washes Their Feet,  
Master Who Acts As A Slave To Them.**

**Refrain**

**Neighbours Are Rich And Poor,  
Varied In Colour And Race,  
Neighbours Are Near And Far Away.**

**Refrain**

**These Are The Ones We Should Serve,  
These Are The Ones We Should Love,  
All these Are Neighbours To Us And You.**

**Refrain**

*Officiant:* May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit.

*Gathering:* **Amen.**

# **Parish Notices and Announcements**

## **Cycle of Prayer**

World: - **The Scottish Episcopal Church**

Diocese: - **The Cathedral Church of All Saints, Halifax, Nova Scotia**

*The Reverend Very Reverend Paul Smith, Dean, and Frances*

*The Reverend Heather MacEachern, Deacon and Ray*

*The Reverend Ray Carter, Deacon and Heather*

*The Reverend Dr. Helen Ryding, Assistant Priest, and David Lyttle*

*The Reverend Dr. Davena Davis, Honorary Assistant*

*The Reverend Ronald Harris, Honorary Assistant, and Gwyn*

## **Next Sunday's Readings**

First Reading - Acts 16:9-15    Second Reading - Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

Gospel Reading – John 14:23-29

## **Read Your Bible**

Monday – Revelation 21:22-22:5

Tuesday – Psalm 67

Wednesday – John 14:15-31

Thursday – Acts 15:1-21

Friday – Acts 15:22-41

Saturday – Acts 16:1-15

Sunday – John 5:1-18

## **Weekly Wisdom**

Your ordinary acts of love and hope point to the extraordinary promise that every human life is of inestimable value. - Desmond Tutu

## **Events this Week**

- Tuesday 17 May: Parish Council Meeting at 7:00pm – St. Georges

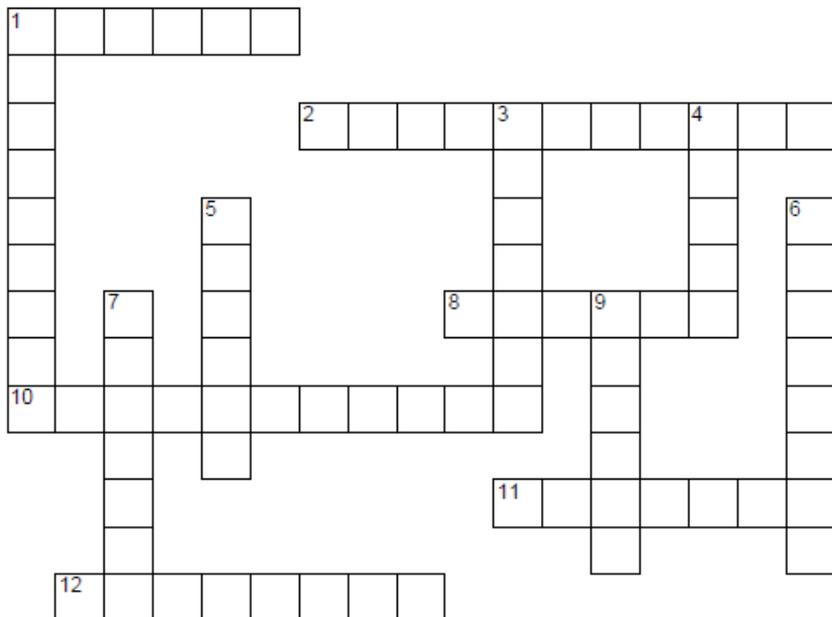
## **Upcoming**

- The first Sunday of each month is Food Bank Sunday

# BREAKING OLD RULES

As hard as it is for Peter, God seems to have had a change of heart and is now welcoming strange people who eat strange foods.

It's not always easy to keep up with God's grace!



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## Across

- 1 to hold back
- 2 male Christians who were born Jews were ...
- 8 from where the strange food for Peter came
- 10 difference
- 11 un-holy
- 12 Jews consider them unfit for eating

## Down

- 1 people who live together
- 3 impure (important category in the Old Testament)
- 4 Peter's other name
- 5 third person of the Trinity
- 6 what the disciples are called now
- 7 piece of information
- 9 something seen in a dream or trance

# RAISE YOUR VOICE!

Among these letters hide all those who are called in Psalm 148. And once you've found them all, the first 13 letters that are left tell you also what they – and we – are supposed to do.

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ANGELS  
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FIRE  
FOG  
HAIL  
HEAVEN

MAIDENS  
MEN  
MOON  
OLD  
PEOPLES  
PRINCES  
RULERS  
SEA MONSTERS

SNOW  
SOVEREIGNS  
STARS  
SUN  
WILD BEASTS  
WIND  
YOUNG