ANGLICAN PARISH OF WOODSTOCK

SAINT LUKE'S CHRIST CHURCH

Third Sunday In Lent
March 20, 2022

Service of Morning Prayer

Livestreamed Sunday morning and available on Facebook, YouTube & our Website in the evening.

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We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) and Mi'kmaq Peoples.

Restrictions Lifted

Effective March 14, Covid restrictions have been lifted in the province. Proof of vaccination is no longer required. Some folks may choose to wear a mask and maintain physical distance, and that is okay. Let us be kind to one another.

The pandemic is still with us. Archbishop David has asked us to pray for everyone affected by COVID-19: Those who are sick, frontline workers, healthcare professionals and others for whom the pandemic has had consequences way beyond what might be obvious.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience during this challenging time. God bless you for your faithfulness.

Welcome to In-person Worship!
Order of Service
Book of Alternative Service p. 45

Hymn #404: ***The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing***

Birthdays & Anniversaries!

Scripture Sentence: Repent, says the Lord, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. *Matthew 4.17*

The Penitential Rite

Confession & Absolution p. 46

The Invitatory #8 before and after the Canticle p. 47
Officiant: The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:
Response: O come, let us worship!

Canticle #6 (together) p. 78

The Proclamation of the Word

1st Reading: Isaiah 55: 1-9 ***An Invitation to Abundant Life***

Psalm 63: Vs 1-8 (responsively) p. 783

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 10: 1-13 ***Warnings from Israel's History***

Hymn #353: ***My God, How Endless Is Your Love***

Gospel: Luke 13: 1-9 ***Repent or Perish/The Parable of the Barren Fig Tree***

Sermon: ***The Problem of Suffering***

Instrumental #498: ***How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place***

Affirmation of Faith p. 52

Offertory Hymn #531: ***You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord***

Prayer over the Gifts: Gracious God, we know your power to triumph over weakness. May we who ask forgiveness be ready to forgive one another, in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People, Litany #14 p. 121
Response: Lord, have mercy.

The Collect of the Day together:
Father of mercy, alone we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves. When we are discouraged by our weakness, strengthen us to follow Christ, our pattern and our hope; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Prayer for Ukraine
Eternal God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, no strength known but the strength of love: So mightily spread abroad your Spirit, that all peoples may be gathered under the banner of the Prince of Peace; to whom be dominion and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Lord's Prayer p. 54

Closing Hymn #565: *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

Dismissal

Officiant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!
People: Thanks be to God!

Special Prayers are requested for: Janet, Kim, Ernest, Mavis, Gordon, Ellen, Karla, Amanda, Jennifer, Randy, Colin, Liam, Sadie, Emma, Scottie, Kate, Gail, Tanya, Terry, Brad, Billy, Lorne, Kent, Doreen, Dick, Susanne, Jim, Trevor, Lindsay, Lois, David, Carrie, Barry, Freda, Charles, Betty-Jean, Gary, Archbishop David's parents, Doreen and John.

Participating in Today's Service

Officiant: Rev. Shirley Noseworthy
Lay Reader: Janis Richard
Organist: Sandra Culberson
Greeters: Marilyn Sherman & Nancy English
Videographer: Tony Richard
Audio: Armin Hackelsperger
Altar Guild: Janis Richard & Dorine Dennique

Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries!

Happy Birthday to Bob MacFarlane, Beth MacFarlane and to anyone celebrating a birthday!

Happy Wedding Anniversary to anyone celebrating their special day!

A Prayer based on Psalm 16:11

King of Kings, thank You for showing us the path of life! Thank You for filling us with joy in Your presence and for giving us eternal pleasures at Your right hand. We ask that you bless those who are celebrating birthdays and anniversaries, and those who continue to seek You. Jesus our Saviour, we give You all glory, honour, and praise because of who You are and because of all that You have done for us! Amen.

Diocesan Intercessions

Each week we pray for those on the Anglican Prayer Cycle, located **here.** March 20 La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico, the Rt Rev Enrique Treviño Cruz, Acting Primate. Archbishop Linda Nicholls, Anglican Church of Canada. Diocese of Western Newfoundland, Bishop John Organ. Diocese of Ho, Bishop Matthias Meduadues-Badohu. Diocese of Yukon, Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame, the Synod Office staff and ministry. Archbishop David, retired bishops Claude, William and George, and their families.

40 Days 40 Items for the Foodbank

Lent is a forty-day period of self-denial, fasting, and prayer in preparation for Easter. As an act of sacrifice, consider donating one food or toiletry item every day for 40 days and bring it to the church on Palm Sunday, April 10, for delivery to the Valley Foodbank. No matter how small or big, the Lord will honor our giving. Thank you to Janis Richard for this idea and for offering to deliver the items to the foodbank during Holy week, in time for Easter.

March 27 Women's Ministry Appreciation Sunday

As part of a Mission Action Plan, we will be recognizing different ministry groups within our parish each month. On March 27 we are recognizing women's ministry and invite current and past members of the ACW, Guild, and Altar Guild. The newly elected members of the ACW executive and committees will be installed, and there will be a special recognition of the ministry of women. Please spread the word to current and past members, inviting them to come!

"May the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge, reward you fully for what you have done." (Ruth 2:12, NLT)

Seeking Greeters for 2022

If you can help by being a greeter each Sunday for one month, please contact Nancy English 328-2295. A signup sheet will be on the table at the back of the church. Thanks for considering

9-Week Bible Study Revelation 2 & 3, Mar. 22-May17.
If you are interested in an in-person Bible Study series on Jesus' Letter to the Seven Church (Revelation Chapters 2 & 3), please contact Rev. Shirley at 328-9913 to register. The nine-week David Pawson's lecture series consists of a 35-45 minute video, plus a discussion time, in the hall Tuesdays 2:00 – 3:00 pm March 22 to May 17. A certificate will be presented to those who complete the study.

Say Yes! To Kids Campaign

Every parish is invited to consider participating in this wonderful youth ministry opportunity! The Say Yes! to Kids campaign may provide the much-needed seed money to get you started with a new investment into children and youth. To learn more, please take just 45 minutes to engage in one of the webinars found here.

The peer-to-peer fundraising is such that participants can have a lot of fun...it can be a way of having people work together again as we move into a less restrictive time in this pandemic. You are encouraged to be creative and have fun again in being and serving God's people. The idea is to plan a fundraiser, which the Anglican Foundation will match up to $1000. The parish keeps 60 percent; while 20% goes to the Diocese and 20% goes to the National Church for youth ministry initiatives.

It may be that for your parish, now is not the right time. If this is the case, please keep Saying Yes! to Kids in mind for next year and use 2022 to dream how your parish might engage with the younger demographic in your parish and surrounding communities.

Again, before making a decision of where to go from here, sign-up for one of the webinars. The FAQ document provides a good snapshot of the basic details of the campaign structure.

If you have any questions, please contact a member of the working group: Diocesan AFC Champion Clyde Spinney; Rev. Ann Fairweather and Shawn Branch (Parish Development Officer), or Diocesan Archdeacon Cathy Laskey.

Join Camp Brookwood Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of Camp Brookwood is looking for new members to join the board. The board meets once a month from spring to early fall and a few times over the winter. The current board is small and looking for some new ideas and help to keep the camp running. Come to a board meeting, see what goes on, and talk to board members. Camp Brookwood is the gem in the woods for the Diocese. Next board meeting is March 29th @ 6:30pm, Church of the Good Shepherd, Florenceville-Bristol.

ACW Meeting March 24

Ladies, we meet Thurs., March 24th., at 2;00 p.m. in the hall.

Bulletin Board

Sunday, March 20 – Third Sunday in Lent

10:30 am Morning Prayer (BAS)
2:00 pm Vestry Meeting (St. Luke's Hall)

Tuesday, March 22 – Brownies

6:15-7:45 pm St. Luke's Hall

Thursday, March 24

2:00 pm **ACW Meeting**, St. Luke's Hall
6:30 pm **Choir Practice**, St. Luke's Hall

Sunday, March 27, Fourth Sunday in Lent
Women's Ministry Appreciation Sunday

10:30 am Holy Eucharist (BAS)