

# ANGLICAN PARISH OF WOODSTOCK

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH      CHRIST CHURCH



## Women's Ministry Appreciation Sunday



**Fourth Sunday In Lent**

**March 27, 2022**

## **Service of Holy Eucharist**

**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.

## **Let us be Kind to One Another**

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 understanding.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience. God bless you for your faithfulness.

## **Order of Service** **Book of Alternative Service p. 185**

**Scripture Sentence:** I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him: Father I have sinned against heaven and before you.  
*Luke 15.18*

**Opening Hymn #399: *Now thank We All Our God***

## **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

### **Welcome on this Ministry Appreciation Sunday**

As part of a Mission Action Plan, our congregation approved by motion at our Annual General Meeting on Feb. 13, 2022, that once a month we would hold a Ministry Appreciation Sunday to recognize volunteers in the organizations and groups within our parish who serve, or have served, faithfully, doing it without desire for recognition but out of love for God our heavenly Father. We want to let you know that your service has been appreciated by your church family and we wish to say, "Thank you. We are grateful to you for your faithful contribution and we pray God's blessing upon you." You will see in our bulletin the outline of the groups to be recognized each month. Today is our first such attempt, and I heartily welcome all of you to this service.

On this Women's Ministry Appreciation Sunday, we gather to say thank you to women who serve in various capacities within the church, in particular as leaders and members of the ACW, Guild, and Altar Guild. We are glad you are here and we want you to know that you are appreciated! God is using you to further His Kingdom through your service in "Women's Ministry" at St. Luke's Church in the Anglican Parish of Woodstock. Thank you for serving so unselfishly.

**Collect together:** Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world, evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **The Proclamation of the Word**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Joshua 5: 9-12 *The Passover at Gilgal* Jill Craig

**Psalms 32** p. 742 Janis Richard

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** 2 Corinthians 5: 16-21 Ann Tait  
*Friendship With God Through Christ*

**Hymn #434:** *The Love Of Jesus Calls Us*

**Gospel:** Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32 *The Lost Son*

**Sermon:** *Thankful for the Ministry of Women*

**Instrumental:** #263: *Praise to God, Immortal Praise*

**Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation  
to the Guild, Altar Guild, and ACW**

**The Installation of ACW Officers**

*Officers stand. The people are seated.*

**Rector:** *(To the officers standing).* You have been chosen by your fellow members to be the officers of St. Luke's Branch for 2022. We believe that you have been called in order that, through your life and work, God's kingdom of truth and love and righteousness may be extended.

Q. We are looking to you for leadership. Yours is a high privilege and a sacred responsibility. As officers of Anglican Church Women, are you willing to pray, study, give, and work for the growth of Christ's Church and the extension of His Kingdom?

**A. I am.**

Q. You are asked to pray for the whole mission of the Church; to study the opportunities there are for this world-wide mission; to give time, talents, and gifts to the work of Anglican Church Women; to work in your Parish, Deanery, and Diocese, wherever God wants to use you. You are asked to help make your own Church a center of worship and love, by your regular attendance and regular communion. Are you willing to accept the privileges and responsibilities to which you have been called?

**A. I am.**

### **ACW Executive & Committee Chairs for 2022**

President: Jill Craig

Recording Secretary: Jean Collicott

Treasurer: Dorine Dennique

United Thank Offering: Dorine Dennique

Education & Corresponding Secretary: Lynne Slipp

Family Life Secretary: Judi Anderson

Social Secretary: Emily Clark

Extra cent a day: Vivian Belyea

Devotion and lunch: Marion Robinson

**Rector:** In the faith of Jesus Christ, I install you as ACW Officers of this Branch for 2022. In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

**Rector** (*All ACW members stand*): Members of St. Luke's Branch of ACW, I ask you to pledge your loyalty to your newly installed Officers. They depend on your encouragement and cooperation. Will you undertake to give them every assistance?

**ACW Members** *(all together)*: **I will do so, the Lord being my helper. Amen.**

**Rector** *(All assembled stand)*: Let us pray for the work of the whole Church family, that God's will may be done among us and God's guidance be upon us all through the coming year.

**Together**: **O Lord Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves and all that we are and all that we have. Reveal to us daily the path of eternal life, that we may pursue an unfaltering course, and so promote Your glory, and the coming of Your kingdom. We ask in the name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People:**

Led by Cindy Graham

**Leader**: In Paul's letter to the Corinthians, he said, "God has given revelation through the Spirit, for the Spirit explores the depths of everything, even the depths of God...The spirit we have received is God's own Spirit, so that we may understand the lavish gifts God has given us."

Let us take a moment in silence to value the many talents and gifts that God has given, especially to our past and present volunteers and all who dedicate their time, skills, and resources to Women's Ministry, including the ACW, Guild, Altar Guild, and wherever women serve as faithful followers of Christ. [pause] For all these gifts, given out of your love:

**All: We thank you, God of all goodness.**

**Leader**: As the spirit blows gently in our midst, may we move with that wind to choose extraordinary witnesses of Jesus through the faith, live, and work of women.

**All: We thank you, God of all goodness.**

**Leader**: We pray for all those who volunteer in Women's Ministry. May their commitment to the body of Christ, serving in fellowship and mission work through the ACW, providing hospitality through the Guild, or preparing the sanctuary through the Altar Guild, be enhanced by their care and dedication in the work they do.

**All: We thank you, God of all goodness.**

**Leader:** Recreate in us a heart and spirit renewed, a heart and spirit dedicated to a holy life and in support of the role of women in the body of Christ.

**All: We thank you, God of all goodness.**

**Leader:** We pray for peace in our world, especially in Ukraine, that this war will end soon, and people's lives will be restored. For the work of the church throughout the world and for all who bring a message of hope through Christ our Saviour. **All: We thank you, God of all goodness.**

**Leader:** We pray for all on our prayer list, those who are ill at home or in hospital, facing surgery, especially Jennifer preparing for surgery on April 1, those in recovery; for the medical profession and the healing ministry.

**All: We thank you, God of all goodness.**

**Leader:** Lord, we remember that all we have in this world is first a gift from you that requires the collaboration of human hands. Thank you for all those, past and present, who have offered and continue to offer their time and talents, joining in our ministry of bringing hope and loving service within and beyond our parish. We ask this in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

*Litany adapted from [www.chausa.org/prayers/cha-prayer-library/prayer/volunteer-appreciation](http://www.chausa.org/prayers/cha-prayer-library/prayer/volunteer-appreciation).*

**Confession and Absolution** p. 191

**The Peace** p. 192

**Offertory Hymn #500: *Sister, Let Me Be Your Servant***

**Prayer Over the Gifts** p. 293  
(offering plate remains at the back of the nave)

**Eucharist Prayer #2** p. 196

**The Lord's Prayer** p. 211

**Breaking of Bread #7** p. 212

## **Communion Hymns:**

**#56: *I Am the Bread, the Bread of Life***

**#60: *I Come With Joy***

**Invitation to Communion:** You are invited to come forward up the center aisle. Masks are optional. The Priest will wear a mask and administer the bread using tongs. Receive and consume the bread. Return to your seat down the side aisle. If for any reason you do not wish to receive communion, feel free to remain in your seat.

**Prayer after Communion**

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**Doxology**

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**Blessing**

**Closing Hymn #520: *The King of Love My Shepherd Is***

## **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, Jennifer, Archbishop David's parents, Doreen and John.

## **Participating in Today's Service**

Officiant: Rev. Shirley Noseworthy

Lay Reader: Cindy Graham

Organist: Sandra Culberson

Greeters: Marilyn Sherman & Dorine Dennique

Videographer: Tony Richard

Audio: Armin Hackelsperger

Altar Guild: Janis Richard & Dorine Dennique

## **Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries!**

**Happy Birthday** to Parker Brown, Carson Rideout, Jeff Rideout, Bobby English 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 27** The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma), the Most Rev Stephen Than Myint Oo, Archbishop. Archbishop Linda Nicholls, Anglican Church of Canada. National Indigenous Archbishop Mark MacDonald and the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples. Diocese of Ho, Bishop Matthias Meduadues-Badohu. Diocese of Yukon, Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame, Bishop's School of Yukon Ministries and all diocesan education and formation. Archbishop David, retired bishops Claude, William and George, and their families.

## **40 Days 40 Items for the Foodbank**

As an act of sacrifice during Lent, 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. The Lord will honor our giving. Thank you to Janis Richard for offering to deliver the items to the foodbank during Holy week, in time for Easter.

## **Camp Brookwood Board of Directors Volunteers**

The Board of Directors of Camp Brookwood is looking for new members. Come to a meeting, see what goes on, and talk to board members. Next meeting is March 29<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 pm, Church of the Good Shepherd, Florenceville-Bristol.



## **Easter Sunrise Breakfast April 17 at 9 am**

Come early on April 17 and enjoy an Easter continental breakfast of tea, coffee, muffins and the like, from 9 am to 10 am at St. Luke's Hall, and join us in the Church for 10:30 am Holy Eucharist as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ! For those willing to help with this ministry of hospitality, we are seeking donations of breakfast items. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church for items needed. For more info, contact Janis Richard at 328-8225.

## **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 welcome 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.

### **Ministry Appreciation Sundays**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Ministry</b>	<b>Groups</b> (Invite Present & Past Members)
February	Administrative Team	Wardens, Vestry, Treasurer, Synod Delegates, Counters, Administrative Assistant
March	Women's Ministry	ACW, Guild, Altar Guild
April	Buildings & Property Stewardship	Building Committee, Cemetery Committee, Caretakers, Snow Clearing, Lawn Mowing
May	Adult/Youth/Children's Education & Ministry	Sunday School, Puppet Ministry, Confirmation Program, Bible Study
June	Communication Ministry	Videography, Livestreaming Team, Parish Facebook page, Website, & YouTube Channel Manager, Communications Officer for NB Anglican
September	Music Ministry	Organist, Choir, Soloist, Musicians
October	Pastor Appreciation & Lay Ministry	Rector, Other Clergy, Lay Readers, Acolytes, Greeters
November	Unsung Heroes	Pastoral Care Team and Volunteers who work behind the scenes.

## Bulletin Board

### **Sunday, Mar. 27, Women's Ministry Appreciation Sunday**

10:30 am Holy Eucharist (BAS)

### **Tuesday, March 29– Brownies**

2:00 pm Bible Study, St. Luke's Hall

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

### **Thursday, March 31 – Choir Practice**

7:00 pm St. Luke's Hall

### **Sunday, April 2 – Fifth Sunday in Lent**

10:30 am Morning Prayer (BAS)

## **Diocesan eNews**

Want to know what is going on around the Diocese of Fredericton, learn about interesting online presentations, or get some ideas for your parish? Get the diocesan eNews delivered weekly to your mail inbox! Go to [nb.anglican.ca/signup](http://nb.anglican.ca/signup) and subscribe with your email address. And have a look around the diocesan website while you are there.

