

## The Parish of St. Peter (Upper Gullies)

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“You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church.” Matthew 16-18

**Come to Worship - Leave to Serve**

12th Sunday after Pentecost

August 12, 2018

**8:30am Book of Common Prayer: 10:30am Book of Alternative Services**

**LECTIONARY FOR TODAY** 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33; Psalm 130 (BCP p502; BAS p888); Ephesians 4:25-5:2; John 6:35, 41-51

**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. Amen.

**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. Amen.

**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 our Lord. Amen.

**LECTIONARY FOR NEXT SUNDAY** 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14; Psalm 111 (BCP p478; Bas p860); Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58

Diocesan Bishop:	The Right Reverend Dr. Geoffrey Peddle
Rector:	(The Rev. Bill Strong, Sept. 1, 2018)
Interim Administrator	The Reverend Irving Letto
Parish Deacon:	The Reverend Dr. Bonnie Morgan (On Leave)
Organist/Choir Director	Andrea Powell
Parish Wardens	Jim Howell and Albert Morgan
Office Administrator:	Jack Morgan

## Hymns for 10:30 Service

Opening: (#378) Crown Him with Many Crowns  
Gradual: (#507) Blest Be the Tie That Binds  
Offering: (#584) The Church of Christ in Every Age  
Communion: (#52) O God, Unseen Yet Ever Near  
Closing: (#508) I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

### Theology That Matters

Marcus Borg said, “The Christian life is about the opening of our hearts to God.” A person with an open heart, he said, is “alive to wonder.” S/he is simply excited about the fact that there is anything at all. But in order to communicate with one another we have to use language. Words and labels tend to tame our natural wonder so that we can communicate with others, but what the other person receives is always a little less than the real thing.

A person with an open heart responds with gratitude. S/he is glad to be alive. That is why we like to give gifts and write songs of praise to people and to God. **“Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord; sing praise to him and highly exalt him forever.”** (From *“The Benedicite”*)

An open heart feels the pain and suffering of the world. “The primary ethical imperative of the Christian life,” he said, “is ‘compassion.’” In Hebrew and Aramaic the word “compassion” is related to the word “womb.” But this does not mean that compassion is a “wussy kind of virtue.” Have you ever experienced the fierceness of an animal protecting her young from the enemy?

In the Bible compassion is also a political value. Compassion and passion for social justice go together because God cares about human suffering. As Marianne said, “God suffers in our suffering.”

A lot of human suffering is natural and can be avoided only by paying careful attention to the laws of nature and respecting them. But, as Marcus said, the major source of human suffering in the Bible is brought about by the “social arrangements of society” that protect the interests of the rich and the strong. The message of the prophets, and of Jesus, is that God wants us to rearrange society with special emphasis on respecting the rights of the poor and the weak.



<p><b>VESTRY MEETING</b> – There will be a vestry meeting tonight, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. All members are encouraged to attend.</p>
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### **Worship Service Today – August 12, 2018**

ON DUTY	Today: August 12,, 2018		Next Sunday: August 19, 2018	
	8:30 AM	10:30 AM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Sides-Persons:	Ray Gregory Wayne Bishop	Bev L. Bill L. Max B. Greta B.	Glen C. Glen T.	Bob H. Scott P. Karen J. Gary J.
Eucharist Assistant	Annette S.	Kelly S.	Amy Anthony	Annie Scott
Servers	Matthew Coveyduck	Daniel Button	Matthew Coveyduck	
Altar Guild	Dora B, Daphne K, Alicia T, Linda P, Marina MacD		Margaret M, Joan L, Brenda L, Joyce D, Marjorie M.	
Readers	Annette S. Dennis M	Betty Howell	Amy Anthony Cathy Lawlor	Betty Howell Gillian Crane

**Holy Baptism** It is the practice at St. Peter's to set the date for next Baptism (no more than once a month at the 10:30 am service) when the first family requiring Baptism contacts the minister. The next service will be sometime in August. **Please call 744-2648 if you require baptism.**

**St. Peter's Archives** St. Peter's Church building began with the laying of the cornerstone in 1905. But its history goes back much farther to Rev. Benjamin Fleet who was buried in our cemetery in 1776 at a time when our old church building was called All Saints Church. Our heritage goes back much farther. We are in the process of organizing our archives for which we have many interesting documents and pictures. Last week Aubrey Dawe brought some copies of old Annual Reports and a few other souvenir papers that we did not have and we thank him for that. There are many other documents, pictures and objects that are in the possession of individuals, probably in a box in your attic that you have not opened for years. If you have anything at all that you think might be worth collecting in our archives, please let Jack know and he will arrange to have you donate it to the church. Sometimes it might be a picture or paper that you would like to keep the original copy of. In cases like this Jack can make a copy for your records, as the original is always most valuable for the archives. But even if you do want to keep the original a copy would still be valuable and appreciated for us.

**This week we are praying for:**

All Church Leaders, especially +Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; +Fred, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada; +Ronald, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, +Geoffrey, our Bishop; Bonnie+, our Deacon, and Irving+, our interim administrator.

In the Anglican/Lutheran Cycle of Prayer, ACC Bishop Robert Hardwick, clergy, and people of the Diocese of Qu'Appelle. ELCIC, The dean, council, and congregations of the Northern Area of the Synod of Alberta and the Territories.

In the Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, the people and clergy of The Parish of Port de Grave and the Parish of Port Rexton.

We pray for our alongsiders Eva Adams and Evelyn Morgan

In the CBS Ministerial Cycle of Prayer we pray for the unity of all Christians; and for all clergy and members of the church communities of Conception Bay South.

**We pray for those who are sick or otherwise in need, especially:** Rodney Andrews, Janet Butler, Mary Dawe, Muriel Fowler, Brian Gosse, Deneal Haines, Mackenzie Jones, Glenys O'Brien, Pat Reid, Lucy Thistle, Mary Bussey, Eileen Shaw, Violet Batten, Les MacDonald, Fred Kelly, Rev. Jean, Elizabeth Crews, Payton Best, Rod Ward, Pamela Ennis, Judy Barker, Kathy Dawe, and Anne Beresford.

**Today's bulletin is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:**

Father **George Bishop** and grandfather **Herbert Bishop**. (Remembering their birthdays of August 11<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>). From daughters Glenys and Susan.

**Nicholas Coates** (remembering his passing on August 16<sup>th</sup>). From sister Terri-Lee, Nieces Ava and Sky, grandparents Kevin and Yvonne, Aunt Leeann (Roy), cousins Morgan (Britney) and Curtis, Uncle Lloyd and Rocha.

**Rodney (Lube) Morgan** (remembering his passing on August 10<sup>th</sup>). From all his family!!

**CONFIRMATION**—Confirmation classes usually begin in October. Please inform Jack at the Parish Office if you have a child who is interested in being confirmed. Andrew and Amy, who have led these classes for the past 17/18 years, have indicated that they wish to discontinue. We thank them for their long and devoted service. Please call Jack if you are interested in preparing the confirmation candidates this year. The new Rector, the Rev. Bill strong will contact you early in September.