

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

13th Sunday after Pentecost

August 19, 2018

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

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

COLLECT Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and sent into our hearts the Spirit of your Son. Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that all people may know the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS Loving God and Father, you have adopted us to be your heirs. Accept all we offer you this day and give us grace to live as faithful children. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION Eternal God, we have received a token of your promise. May we who have been nourished by holy things live as faithful heirs of your promised kingdom, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LECTIONARY FOR NEXT SUNDAY 1 Kings 8:1, 6, 10-11, 22-30, 41-43; Psalm 84 (BCP p437; BAS p817; Ephesians 6:10-20; John 6:56-69)

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: (#330) O Praise Ye the Lord
Gradual: (#309) Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet
Offering: (#453) Living Lord of Love's Dominion
Communion: (#74) For the Bread Which You Have Broken
Closing: (#379) Rejoice, the Lord is King

Theology That Matters

Theologians like Marcus Borg are the cutting edge of Christianity. They are building a bridge between the living faith of Jesus and his disciples and a tradition that has accumulated an overabundance of doctrines and beliefs.

For the first Christian disciples, Jesus was a person filled with the Spirit of God. Through their relationship with him, they came into a new relationship with God. The stories they told, the words they wrote, were their attempts to transmit the reality of their faith to others. This is what the Bible is. This is what the teachings of the church are. They are no more than this, but they are no less either. They are 'bearers' of good news.

Marcus Borg and others have helped me discover this. They help me understand the Bible as a "bearer" of the Spirit of God. They deepen my appreciation of the church and Christian people of all denominations. The Bible and the church, and especially my relationship with people, are "thin places" that renew my faith daily.



Summer Appeal

When vestry launched the "Summer Appeal" in July, it was hoped that \$4000.00 would be raised. St. Peter's parishioners have responded in their usual faithful way and already \$3500.00 has been donated. We wish to thank everyone who has responded already and look forward to reaching our goal before too long. Anyone wishing to give to the Summer Appeal, please contact the Church office or use the envelope provided.

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. Special thanks is extended to Andrew and Amy who have led Confirmation classes for the past the past 17/18 years. Amy expressed on several occasions that she wished to discontinue with the Confirmation classes. You will be hearing from your new incumbent, Rev. Bill Strong soon after he arrives on September 1st and more about how Confirmation classes will proceed this coming year.

Vestry Report We had a long special summer meeting of the Vestry last Sunday. It was well attended and we dealt with a lot of important parish business. Here is a brief report of the most important decisions: 1. An application to the Federal Government's "New Horizon Seniors Program" for funding for the installation of heat pumps for the Parish Hall has been sent and we hope for a positive response in early 2019. 2. New additional lighting has been installed in the parking lot that makes it much safer for nighttime parking. 3. We did not receive the Government Grant for a cemetery youth worker this year, but agreed to continue with the young man we had hired to work on the cemetery grounds for the summer. 4. Vestry has approved two necessary projects for this summer: (a) Repairing the upper windows on the north side of the church and installing clear Lexan acrylic coverings to prevent more serious leaking like we had in May, and (b) Refurbishing the main entrance and belfry doors and installing panic hardware bringing them up to present-day standards. 5. In order to do upgrading on Lawrence Pond Road, CBS Town Council needs a metre of land at the side of the road that is vacant cemetery property and offered to pay the church \$3454.25 for it. This has been accepted by the Vestry and approved by the Diocese. 6. There have been some delays in finalizing the sale of Hopewell Gardens, but progress is continuing and the Vestry is expecting to be able to announce a conclusion to the sale very soon. 7. Rev. Letto suggested that St. Peter's should develop a "green policy" and be an example in helping everyone be more conscious about respecting creation and preserving the environment. As a start the Vestry agreed to purchase some new containers and encourage good recycling and waste management principles. 8. A motion to appoint Rev. Letto as Assistant Treasurer to assist the Treasurer and Office Administrator as we learn to use the new church management and accounting program PowerChurch Plus that we have begun using at St. Peter's.

FOOD BANK REQUEST—Due to short supply, The CBS/Paradise Community Food Bank is asking for donations of **Tin Fruit** for the month of August. Please drop your donation to the Food Bank box at the back of the Church or leave it at the Church office. The food bank wishes to offer its sincere thanks for your continued support.

With Sympathy

St. Peter's extends its thoughts and prayers to the family of the late **David Saunders** who passed away on August 13th. David is the wife of Helen (nee Bishop) and son in law of Doris and the late Ellis Bishop. David was interred in St. Peter's Cemetery yesterday. *"Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let light perpetual shine upon him. May he rest in peace."*

Pot luck supper for Rev. Letto – Everyone is invited to a pot luck appreciation supper on Wednesday, August 22 at 6:30 pm for Rev. Letto as he comes to the end on his appointment here at St. Peter's. We look forward to seeing you there.

Worship Service Today – August 19, 2018

ON DUTY	Today: August 19, 2018		Next Sunday: August 25, 2018	
	8:30 AM	10:30 AM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
Sides-Persons	Glen C. Glen T.	Bob H. Scott P. Karen J. Gary J	Goldie H. Al LeMoine	Pam. St. Croix, Paul St. Croix
Eucharistic Assistant	Annette S.	Kelly S.	Debbie B.	Michele Young
Servers	Matthew Coveyduck	Sarah Young	Matthew Coveyduck	Daniel Button
Altar Guild	Margaret S, Joyce M, Ruth C, Ruby T, Amy A.		Cynthia D, Carol K, Betty H, Pat P, Mary A.	
Readers	Amy Anthony Cathy Lawlor	Betty Howell Gillian Crane	Keith Pack Joyce Morgan	Betty Scott Bonnie H-Gulliver

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 Pouch Cove and the Parish of Pouch Cove/Torbay.

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, Anne Beresford, Roger Button, Annie Barrett and Robert Moulton.

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

Eddie Dawe (remembering his birthday on August 17th). From Joyce and family.