

# St. Peter's Anglican Church

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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**  
**March 7, 2021**

**Third Sunday of Lent**



## Message from our Rector

Dear Friends:

We are now into the third week of level 5 of the pandemic. I am sure that I am not alone in stating that I am ready for this time to pass and for us to return to a more “normal” way of functioning.

Still, there are many lessons to be learned from this experience:

**First** is that God is always with us. God is not just in our buildings or just present at worship or in challenging times. We are called to look for that in our interactions with others no matter how limited those interactions may be at this time.

**Second**; we are capable of being resilient in following the sound guidance that Public Health officials provide us with. We are truly blessed by their service and by the good work of everyone who serves the public.

**Third:** There is light ahead! Vaccines are becoming available that will help bring about a new normal. We can look forward getting back to regular worship again as long as we continue to **Hold Fast!**

I thank God for the prayerful support we offer to each other and would be happy to speak further with you by phone. I can be reached at 325-1278 anytime.

With every Blessing and good wish.

**Rev. Bill+**

Bishop:	The Rt. Rev. Samuel V. Rose
Rector:	The Reverend Bill Strong
Parish Deacon:	The Reverend Dr. Bonnie Morgan
Honourary Assistant:	The Reverend Irving Letto
Organist/Choir Director	Elizabeth Brumm
Parish Wardens	Ralph Drover and Albert Morgan
Treasurer:	Raymond Gregory
Office Administrator:	Jack Morgan

### Readings

### Third Sunday in Lent

**LECTIONARY FOR TODAY, – third Sunday in Lent**

#### **Readings**

EXODUS 20:1-17; PSALM 19; 1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-25; JOHN 2:13-22

#### **Collect**

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.

#### **First Reading**

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF EXODUS

God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the

form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labour and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work - you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

EXODUS 20:1-17

### **Psalm**

PSALM

REFRAIN The words of the Lord are spirit and life.

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament shows his handiwork.

One day tells its tale to another, and one night imparts knowledge to another. R

Although they have no words or language, and their voices are not heard, Their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends of the world. R

In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber; it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the end of it again; nothing is hidden from its burning heat. R

The law of the Lord is perfect and revives the soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure and gives wisdom to the innocent.

The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes. R

The fear of the Lord is clean and endures for ever; the judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, more than much fine gold, sweeter far than honey, than honey in the comb. R

By them also is your servant enlightened, and in keeping them there is great reward.

Who can tell how often he offends? cleanse me from my secret faults. R

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get dominion over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.  
PSALM 19

### **Second Reading**

A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart." Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both

Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-25

### **Gospel**

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

JOHN 2:13-22

### **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.

### **Prayer After Communion**

God of mercy and forgiveness,  
may we who share this sacrament  
live together in unity and peace,  
in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

## Online Worship This Sunday

**Rev. Bill will be celebrating the Third Sunday of Lent online from his home this Sunday at 10:30am. Please join him on Facebook at that time as we travel the fascinating journey to Easter and the Resurrection.**

### Worship On-line

**Please join us on St. Peter's Facebook page for online worship this Sunday at 10:30am and Wednesday at 7:00pm. Find us on FB at : St. Peter's Anglican Church.**

## Easter Memorials

Easter memorials are currently being accepted at the Church office. Please telephone your request to 744-2648 or email:

[admin@stpeterscbs.ca](mailto:admin@stpeterscbs.ca) Deadline for memorials is March 31<sup>st</sup> at 4:00pm. Donations for memorials may be left in the drop box inside the Parish Hall door, sent via Canada Post or by email transfer to [admin@stpeterscbs.ca](mailto:admin@stpeterscbs.ca) Memorials will be sent to all on our email list and posted to our web page. Paper copies will be available at the office.

## Message from St. Peter's Treasurer

**Dear Friends of St. Peter's:**

As was noted in last week's message, I continue to monitor the finances of our parish going forward.

It is a blessing that you, our parishioners, and friends are continuing to honour your monetary contributions to St. Peter's, even under the lockdown of our Church because of COVID-19.

We, the finance committee, Rev. Letto, Wardens and with the much-needed help of Jack, we have just completed the statements for the year 2020 which will be presented at our scheduled annual meeting. We are pleased to say that with all parish expenses paid, we start the new year with a surplus.

The preparation of this year's budget 2021 is now progressing and should be completed shortly. Because of COVID-19 this was a difficult process; there are so many unknowns, as to Church functions etc. Therefore, we trust and pray that we will continue to support St. Peter's even during these difficult times.

As your treasurer and with the help of others, I will keep our parishioners informed through the bulletin with regard to our finances.

God bless you all.

**Raymond Gregory**  
**Treasurer**

**Bob Hardy's:**  
**"Battle Harbour was in My Blood."**

This book, written by **Bob Hardy** illustrates in story, caption and photo, the life and times of his father, **Mr. Bert Hardy** and his time living, working, and raising his family in Battle Harbour, Labrador. **Mr. Hardy's** work, life and passion for the Big Land is expressed in expert fashion by son **Bob** who endured tireless hours to capture these memories. Copies of **"Battle Harbour was in My Blood"** can be purchased for \$25 each at the Church Office during regular business hours (**due to COVID outbreak, please call the office in advance to make arrangements for safe visit**). A portion of each sale will be donated to St. Peter's. **Mr. Hardy**, who passed away in 2007, was a parishioner and dear friend to all at our Church.

**Annual General Meeting/Reports**

St. Peter's Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00pm. Since the 2020 meeting did not go ahead, the business of both 2019 and 2020 will be dealt with. ALSO, all organizations/groups within the Church are asked to submit reports to be contained in the report by March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Thank you.

**This week we are praying for:**

All Church Leaders, especially +Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; +Linda, Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada; +Ronald, Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada, +Sam, our Bishop, Bonnie+, our Deacon, Irving+, our Honourary Assistant, and Bill+, our Rector.

**In the Anglican/Lutheran Cycle of Prayer**— ACC-The Rt. Rev. Sandra Fyfe, Bishop, and the people and clergy of the Diocese of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. ELCIC-The dean, council, and congregations of the Northern Area of the Eastern Synod

**In the Tri-Diocesan Cycle of Prayer**, The Parishioners and Clergy of the Parish of **Catalina**: St. Peter, Catalina; Holy Martyrs, Port Union; St. Nicholas, Amherst Cove; St. Andrew, Newman's Cove; St. Michael, Redcliff and St. Mark, Summerford—The Rev. Eli Rose, Deacon in charge and the **Cathedral of St. John Baptist**, St. John's: The Ven. Roger Whelan, Rector and the Rev. Khaliah Kinkead, Vicar Missional.

**We pray for those who are sick or otherwise in need, especially:** Rodney Andrews, Brian Gosse, Deneal Haines, Glenys O'Brien, Lucy Thistle, Mary Bussey, Payton Best, Robert Moulton, Yvonne Lawlor, Geraldine Piercey, Murdoch Peddle, Sylvia Gillespie-Miller, Norman Tibbo, George Moore, John Butters, Steven & Chris Dawe, Vasili Flogeras, Alan Drover, George Morgan, Joan Petten, Michael Andrews, Harriett Morgan, Owen Murphy, Gerald Ralph, Janet Andrews, Gord Fewer, Marie King, Ray Gregory, Bill Andrews & Nora Rideout. .



**Thank you!**

St. Peter's Food Bank reps, **Jim and Betty Howell** would like to send a sincere thank you to all who donated during our food drive this past Thursday. Once again, you have delivered above and beyond with a full container of groceries for the CBS/Paradise Community food bank. Your generosity is not surprising and is greatly appreciated. God bless one and all!

**Sincere Condolences to the Mooney Family**

Our prayers and thoughts go out to the family of the late **Priscilla Mooney** who passed to eternal rest on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Mrs. Mooney is mother to **Amelia Mooney (Barry Scott-deceased)**, a dear friend of St. Peter's. Please visit Hickey's Funeral Home Web site for full obituary: <https://hickeysfuneralhome.com/tribute-ajax/print-obituary.html?id=1716>

*'Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let light perpetual shine upon her.'*

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

**Arthur Bladgon** (remembering his birthday March 6<sup>th</sup>). From wife Dora and family.

**Phyllis Carter** (remembering her birthday today). From Pat, Linda, Gail, Paul, Dennis, Spencer & families.