

St. George's Anglican Church

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Fifth Sunday After Trinity July 16, 2017

God willing, the **Rector is on a four week tasking at CFB Gagetown**. He will be out of town from Sunday evenings until Friday evenings. In the **event of a pastoral emergency**, please call the Office at **855-5209** or the Rectory at **389-3516**. Morning and Evening Prayer will continue daily as usual with the Rev. Deacon Norm Dupuis as the Officiant; and the 10 AM Thursday Eucharist will also continue with Archdeacon Stockall as the Celebrant.

The discussion group, "**Sermons for the Trinity Season**" Sermons from the past, with relevance for today - bringing the Bible's meaning to us, led by the Rev. Deacon Norm Dupuis continues this **Thursday at 7pm**. Coffee and tea to follow .

You are invited to attend **Growing in our "with Jesus life"** with The Rev. Dr. Dan Goodwin, **Mondays in the Church Hall** (Basement) at 6:45 pm (coffee/tea)... 7:00 pm the Session begins

Manger Scenes: Just a friendly reminder that we are **collecting Manger/Nativity Scenes** as part of our Christmas Outreach program. Any size or type will be appreciated! And don't worry if there are broken or chipped pieces – we will fix them! Thank you!

St. Michael's Youth Conference is coming soon – August 21st to August 26th at Camp Wildwood. Registration **forms are in the Entry**.

ATTENTION YOUTH ages 13-19 years! Let's get together! Please join us on Sunday, July 30th, whatever fits your schedule:

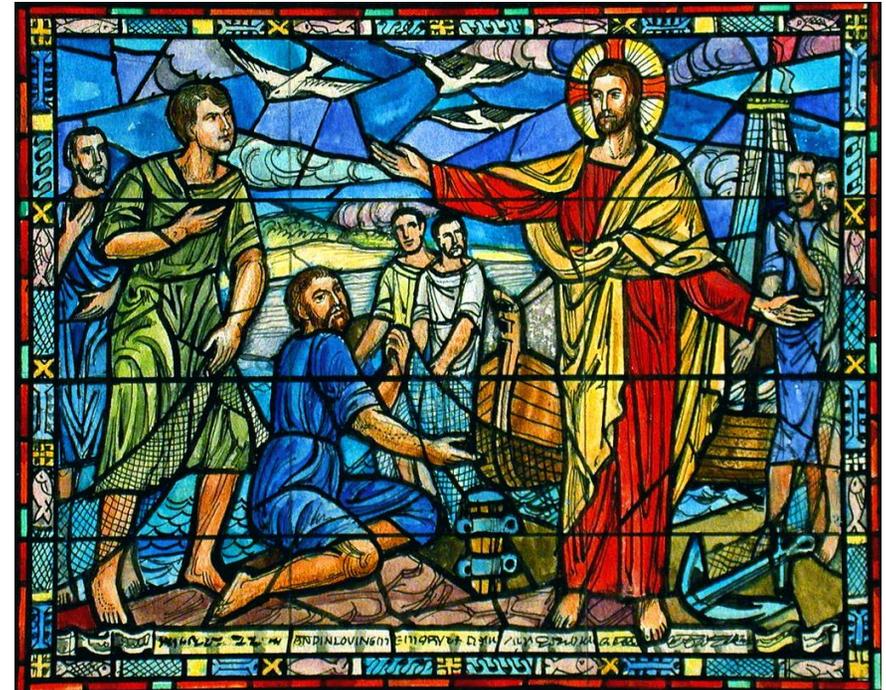
5:00 pm Holy Communion in the Chapel

6:00 pm Pizza and "make your own sundae"

7:00 pm Life and our Faith

Welcome back **St. George's Scout troop!** They are returning home from the **13th Canadian Scout Jamboree** in Nova Scotia.

ReConnect is in dire need of non-perishable food items!
During the summer months donations drop off significantly.
They could also use gently used clothing. You can drop donations off at the Church. Thank you!!



"And Jesus said unto Simon, Fear not, from henceforth thou shalt catch men."

Parish Prayer Chain: To pass a message on to the Parish Prayer Chain, from Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. please call Esther @ 855-5209; after Office Hours. please call Cathie @ 384-6327.

Wardens:	Stan Balch	854-4054
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8:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

Introit Psalm: 27. 8-16	p. 361
Collect for Purity:	p. 67
Collect for the Day	p. 224
The Epistle	p. 225
Gradual Psalm: 84. 8-13	p. 438
The Holy Gospel	p. 225

9:15 A.M. MORNING PRAYER

Psalms 28, 29	p. 361
First Lesson: Joshua 24. 1-5, 13-25	(Pew Bible page 218)
Second Lesson: St. Mark 6. 7-32	(Pew Bible page 806)

10:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

Introit Psalm (sung) *Consider, O Lord, and hear me, when I cry unto thee: be thou my succour, O cast me not away, neither forsake me utterly, O God of my salvation. The Lord is my light, and my salvation: whom then shall I fear? Glory be...*

Hymn: 384 (Richmond)	
Children's Talk	
Collect for Purity	p. 67
The Ten Commandments	p. 68
Kyrie	p. 70
Collect for the Day	p. 224
The Epistle	p. 225
Gradual Psalm: 84. 8-13	p. 438
The Holy Gospel	p. 225
The Nicene Creed	p. 71
Hymn before Homily: 719 (Jesus Bids Us Shine)	
The Homily	
Offertory Hymn: 397 (Hyfrydol)	
The Intercession	p. 75
Confession, Absolution	p. 77
Thanksgiving	p. 78
Consecration	p. 82
Hymns during Communion: 219 (Bread of Heaven) 232 (St. Agnes)	
Gloria In Excelsis	p. 86
Recessional Hymn: 426 (Kingsfold)	

Please join us in the Hall for Tea & Coffee.

5:00 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

Psalms 30, 32	p. 363
First Lesson: 1 Samuel 28. 3 - end	(Pew Bible page 273)
Second Lesson: Acts 4. 1-22 (23-31)	(Pew Bible page 880)

The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Velma MacDonald

*"Let us remember before God the faithful departed."
Stephen Hurrell, James Zwicker, Peggy Tayler*

This Week in the Parish

The Daily Offices of **Morning and Evening Prayer** will be prayed in the Chapel at **8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Monday – Saturday**, respectively. In addition:

Monday	"Growing in our Life with Jesus"	7:00 pm
Wednesday	Morning Prayer (<i>Camden</i>)	10:00 am
Thursday	Holy Communion (<i>Chapel</i>)	10:00 am
	"Sermons for the Trinity Season"	7:00 pm
Saturday	Community Breakfast	9:00 am

Vestry – Cliff Reid
Greeters – Marion Bembridge and Brenda Tays

A **warm welcome** to **Stephanie Mah**, our guest soloist this morning.

Following the 10 a.m. Eucharist today the **Laying on of Hands and Anointing with Oil** will be offered in the Chapel.

The Hymn sing is tonight at **7pm** – all are welcome!

Holy Eucharist will be celebrated on **Sunday, July 30th at 5pm.**

"The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together."
Romans 8. 16,17

The Rector's Corner

Practice Matters: Prayer (by Dan Goodwin)

During the past few weeks we have explored why certain words of the Bible and Church matter. Now we will spend some time reflecting on some basic spiritual disciplines. This is timely because the Trinity Season is devoted to learning about and practicing the spiritual disciplines to the Glory of God. Prayer is vital to the Christian life. The scriptures make it clear that prayer is both and public and private exercise. In worship, we pray in many ways that honour God and remind us of the source of all life and blessings. James wrote that the; “The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective” (James 5: 16). As Anglicans, we have the wonderful gift of the Book of Common Prayer that helps organize worship, giving voice in our collective prayer. In addition, there are many guides for our private times as families or individuals.

What is Prayer?

1. Communion with God: Augustine, an early church Father, said “Prayer is our speech to God.” A common conception is that prayer is merely asking things of God. But it has deeper meaning than just asking. It is “**directed conversation, talking with a purpose.**” It is far more than mere talking with another human being; it is talking to God and listening to God.
2. An attitude of heart: Prayer has many aspects—worship, thankfulness, praise, expressions of love, confession of sin, submission to God’s will for us, petitions or requests of God. We can identify these aspects of prayer in the Lord’s Prayer found in Matthew 6:9-13.

Why is prayer necessary?

Christianity is more than Bible truth to believe; it is a life to be lived. That life finds its expression in following Jesus, listening to his voice, and obeying his instruction. He who has spoken to us through his word wants to hear from us. And we need to unburden ourselves to him.

What purpose does prayer serve?

1. An expression of faith. Prayer is the way we express our faith in God. By it we invite him to enter our lives, perhaps in the words of the man who prayed in Luke 18:13 “God be merciful to me a sinner.” If we never have any desire to pray, it may be that we do not have the new life in Christ. In fact, failure to pray is sin Luke 18:1.
2. For conformity to God’s will: Prayer conforms or shapes us to the will of God so that our wills respond to what he wants for our lives. We are made sensitive to his will as we spend time reading the Bible and

praying about its message. As we pray we become aware of our own spiritual condition; God exposes our motives and desires for what they are—either worthy or unworthy. In prayer God often puts our thinking and actions back in order. To pray is to be changed.

3. As a source of power: We must pray also because through prayer we are asking God to intervene in life situations. We all have problems that are too much for human wisdom, but with God, “all things are possible.” (Matthew 19:26) Through prayer we have the privilege of participating with God in his work.

Requirements for prayer

1. Reverence and humility (see Luke 18: 9-14)
2. Faith in God: We must approach God believing that he wants what is best for us. “The prayer of the upright is his delight...He hears the prayer of the righteous” (Proverbs 15:8,29).
3. Submission to God’s will: God knows all things and our lives should be in constant submission to his will for us. Sometimes our asking is limited by our own perspective or limited way of seeing things. When we are discouraged, when our prayers seem to go unanswered, read Romans 8:28.

Suggestions:

The following is just one guide/model to help us include several aspects of prayer in our time with God. The first letter of each word combined spells out **ACTS**.

Adoration: prayer should include a time of worship when we praise God for who he is such as being all-powerful, holy, just, righteous, always with us, all knowing, being loving etc.

Confession: as we come face to face with a holy God we need to be conscious of our sin and confess to God our sin. God wants to cleanse us from guilt and sin and restore us with purity and power to live the Christian life. (See Daniel’s prayer in 9:4-14;Psalm 51: 16-17.

Thanksgiving: prayer should not be one big “give me festival.” We need to count our blessings and remember the wonderful things God has given to us. (Hebrews 13:15; Psalm 10:3)

Supplication: God invites us to pray about all aspects of our lives and the world around us both publicly and privately. What do the following verses suggest to you about a pattern for our prayer lives? (1 Timothy 2:1-2; Ephesians 6:18-20; James 5:16; 2 Corinthians 1:11)

More “**Practice Matters**” to come!