

## Trinity Sunday – June 11, 2017

### 8:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

Introit Psalm: 8	p. 337
Collect for Purity:	p. 67
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Gradual Psalm: 136:1-3	p. 506
The Holy Gospel	p. 216

### 9:15 A.M. MORNING PRAYER

Psalm 92, 93	p. 449
First Lesson: Isaiah 6:1-8	(Pew Bible page 569)
Second Lesson: Mark 1:1-13	(Pew Bible page 801)

### 10:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

Introit Psalm (sung) <i>Blessed be the Holy Trinity and the undivided Unity: we will praise and glorify him, because he hath shewed his mercy upon us. Let us bless the Father and the Son: with the Holy Spirit. Glory be....</i>	
Hymn 1 (Nicaea)	
Children's Talk	
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Kyrie	p. 70
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The Creed of Saint Athanasius	p. 695
Hymn before the Homily: <b>439</b> (Capetown)	
The Homily	
Offertory Hymn: <b>812</b> (St. Patrick)	
The Intercession	p. 75
Confession, Absolution	p. 77
Thanksgiving	p. 78
Consecration	p. 82
Hymns during Communion: <b>Anthem</b> "Panis Angelicus" by César Franck; <b>490</b> (St. Peter); <b>485</b> (Trentham); <b>238</b> (St. Botolph - 493)	
Gloria In Excelsis	p. 86
Recessional Hymn: <b>183</b> (Old Hundredth-350)	

*Please join us in the Hall for Tea and Coffee*

### 5:00 P.M. EVENING PRAYER

Psalm 146, 150	pp. 145, 521
First Lesson: Isaiah 40:12-end	(Pew Bible page 592)
Second Lesson: 1 Peter 1:1-12	(Pew Bible page 981)

*"Let us remember before God the faithful departed."  
Don Boulet, Gerry Lewis, Marjorie Lewis*

*The Sanctuary Candle burns this week to the Glory of God and in  
Loving Memory of David Charles MacKay*

### 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:

<b>Today</b>	Community Dinner	3:00 pm
<b>Monday</b>	ALPHA	6:15 pm
	Scouts	7:00 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	Bible Study (Rectory)	10:00 am
	<b>Holy Communion</b> (Chapel) (St. Barnabas')	5:00 pm
	Beavers	6:30 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Vestry	7:00 pm
	Cubs	6:30 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Choir	7:00 pm
	<b>Holy Communion</b> (Chapel)	10:00 am

Vestry – Marilyn Crossman-Riel  
Greeters – Linus & Bernice Coady

**Bill Ross** is scheduled to be the Preacher for **this evening's** celebration of the Holy Communion at **5:00 PM**.

We plan to **honour our graduates** at the 10 AM Service **next Sunday**, June 18<sup>th</sup>.

*"The spirit of the Lord fills the whole earth, and that which holds all things together, is well aware of what men say. Hence no man can utter injustice and not be found out, nor will justice overlook him when she passes sentence."*

Wisdom 1.7

On **Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup>**, after Morning Prayer, you are invited to share a **continental breakfast** in the Church Hall. For more information please speak to Fran Devost-Cormier, Brenda Tays or Klaudia Raniszewska..

The **Hymn Sing** is next week **June 18<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm.

**Spiritual Walk in Centennial Park every Thursday morning at 8:30am** We will gather by the lake, close to the bridge, at 8:30 where we will read the gospel for the day. You are then welcome to walk around the lake alone, in pairs, or in groups to reflect on the reading. You are also welcome to remain seated by the bridge where we will all gather again at 9:15 to have a short talk on your thoughts about the reading. At 9:30 we will head back to St. George's for Holy Communion beginning at 10am. For more information, contact Klaudia.

In honour of St. Alban (June 22<sup>nd</sup>), a martyred Roman Soldier, we will watch the **film of St. George's Honour Roll Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup>** at 12:15 in the Ladies Parlour. The DVD and scrapbook were recently completed by Debbie and Barb MacDonald and they tell the story of those from St. George's who were killed in action in the Boer War and First and Second World Wars. You will not see anything as moving as these presentations, and I highly commend them to you:

**Threshold Ministries Library** - Diocesan Resource Centre is having an Open House on Friday, **June 16<sup>th</sup> from 3-6 p.m.**; 105 Mountain View Drive, Saint John (642-2210 ext 228). Come and explore, read, watch and have a snack. Bring a friend and see how you can access these valuable resources. All denominations are welcome! What we offer: VBS and children's/youth resources; videos - Veggie Tales, Biblical stories for different age groups; films - biographical and fictional; video and study packs; books across all the theological, religious, spirituality, church and culture and youth spheres; an extensive selection of commentaries.

**Falen McNulty's Ordination** to Diaconate will be at All Saints Cathedral, in Halifax on **June 22<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm**. Please remember her in your prayers.

Our inventory of **shaving cream and razors** (for men and women) is almost out. These are important items for our community friends. Any donations would be gratefully received. Thank you very much!

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

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Deacon	Rev. Norm Dupuis	386-1324

## The Rector's Corner

### **Word Matters: The Atonement**

The meaning behind the word atonement is central to Christianity. What Christ did on the cross is at the very heart of our faith. It is the central doctrine of Christianity. That does not mean other doctrines, such as “the Word becoming flesh” or the incarnation of Christ can be neglected. By no means. Each of the great points of our faith which we rehearse in the creeds has its place. But we must not deny the centrality of the atonement.

Old fashioned revival preachers of former generations used to explain the atonement like this: the atonement of Christ offers us the gift of being “at-one” with God; at-one-ment. How atonement is accomplished and why humanity needs it is far more complex.

1. Why is atonement needed? The need arises from the sinfulness of all humans. That all are sinners is clear from scripture: 1 Kings 8:46 “there is no one who does not sin; Romans 3:23 “all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God”; Romans 6:23 “For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord.” The Bible makes it clear that sin excludes from the blessing of God. See Isaiah 59:2 “your iniquities have been barriers between you and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you.” Some people may say that they are good living people and follow the golden rule while others outright live for evil. How can we both be called sinners? Consider this example: There was a contest about riding a fast motorcycle across the Niagara River between those “heavy laden” with sin and those with a “lighter burden of sins.” Imagine those with many sins fall into the river half way across while those with “fewer sins” come within two meters of the other side. Does either make the grade? No! We are all sinners, no exceptions. We are all separated from God; therefore, we are not “at-one” with him.
2. What is God's solution to our problem? In his love and mercy God has made provision. While the word atonement does not occur often in the New Testament, the idea is found throughout. God sent his Son to redeem us (Gal 4:4-5). In Christ, what God has done enables sinners to approach him and enter into his blessing now and forever.
3. The atonement from different perspectives in the NT:
  - a. The Cross as Sacrifice: The Book of Hebrews draws upon the language of the OT that regards Jesus as the final sacrifice for sin because God was in Christ dying for our sins.

- b. The Cross and adoption: This sacrifice makes the way for believers to be united to God in genuine fellowship. This makes Christians members of God's family, brothers and sisters in Christ. Jesus said sinners are slaves to their sin (John 8:43 “everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin). But Christ has set them free (Galatians 4:4-5 “when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, so that we might be adopted as children”). If we are adopted, as God's children we are no longer slaves to sin but “at-one” with God in transforming friendship.
- c. The Cross as a Victory: The NT identifies another important aspect of the atonement as the theme of victory at Easter. Jesus has beaten the forces of evil and oppression. Jesus and Paul both speak of Jesus' ransom for sinners in several ways (Mark 10:45; 1 Timothy 2:6).
  - i. Liberation: Jesus' ransom of himself on the cross achieved freedom for those held in captivity because of sin.
  - ii. Payment: Jesus paid the ransom to free us from sin before a Holy God (Father). He took the sins of the whole world upon himself to pay for our freedom (for we were enslaved by our own moral inadequacy). Jesus is our substitute before God and takes our sins upon himself as he sacrifices himself for us on the cross. Substitution brings victory.
- d. The Cross as Forgiveness: This theme of the atonement centres on the idea of the death of Christ as the means through which God is enabled to forgive sin. Paul explains it this way: Sinners are caught up in the sin of Adam (the first man). “In Adam all die” (1Corinthians 15:22). But Christ died for sins so the effects of sin have been repealed. Romans 5:15-16 “Adam was like the One who was coming in the future. <sup>15</sup> But God's free gift is not like Adam's sin. Many people died because of the sin of that one man. But the grace from God was much greater; many people received God's gift of life [and forgiveness] by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ.”

Perhaps one of the best-known summaries of the atonement is found in our service of Holy Communion (i.e. *union* with Christ and his followers). “[God] who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon on him, and to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction for the whole world;” (BCP, 80)

But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.  
1 Corinthians 15:57