

**8:00 a.m. – BCP Holy Communion** (*Psalm 22: 23-31 p. 356 BCP*)

**Collect of the Day** (*in unison*): Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**10:00 a.m. – BAS Morning Prayer**

**Opening Hymn 59 (CP) – Jesus Calls Us Here to Meet Him**

Penitential Rite *p. 45*

Invitatory *p. 48*

Christ our Passover *p. 50*

**The Proclamation of the Word:**

Acts 8: 26-40 (Sarah Lennerton)

Psalm 22: 24-30 *p. 730 BAS*

1 John 4: 7-21 (Joan MacDonald)

**Gradual Hymn (screen) – You are the Vine**

**Gospel:** John 15: 1-8 (Bob Vair)

Homily – Warren Tay

Apostles Creed *p. 52*

**Offertory Hymn 487 (CP) – Where Charity and Love Prevail**

**Prayer over the Gifts:** Gracious God, you show us your way and give us your divine life. May everything we do be directed by the knowledge of your truth. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen**

Intercessions

Collect (printed)

The Lord's Prayer *p. 54*

**Children's Hymn (screen) – Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks to the Risen Lord**

Dismissal

**Hymn (screen) – Because He Lives**

**(screen) – Holy God, Now Let Your Servants Go in Peace**

In lieu of **altar flowers** a donation has been made to the glory of God and in loving memory of departed family members from Diane and Gary Yetman.

**Greeters:** Ken Webb, Dick Huggard, Earl Chisholm, Clifford Holder

**Chancel Guild:** Maria Murphy, Sandra Farrell, Leona Hunt

**Praying for our Parish Families:** We pray for Barbara Smith, Diane Roper-Sutherland, Roger & Debbie McNutt and William & Margie Bernasconi.

**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Holy Trinity Emmanuel, Dartmouth (The Rev'd Kees Zwanenburg); Holy Spirit, Dartmouth (The Rev'd Edwin Ebsary and Monica); St. Alban's, Woodside (The Rev'd Frances Drolet-Smith and Paul Smith); St. Andrew's, Dartmouth (The Rev'd Robert Richmond, Priest-in-Charge, and Narda Carmona, The Rev'd Canon Ed Fiander, Honorary Assistant, and Carol, The Rev'd Bert Chestnut, Associate Parish Priest).

**Provincial Prayer Care:** Ecclesiastical Province of Rupert's Land (Archbishop Gregory Kerr-Wilson & the Provincial Council). **Give thanks for:** The ministry of retired clergy (ENL); Ministry of Lay Readers, Messy Church, Godly Play, Alpha and other new expressions of Church, and the work of the synod planning committee (MON); For the beauty of spring and the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ and the ministries of military chaplaincies (QUE); New members of vestry & parish councils (WNL); The resurrection of Jesus (NSPEI); Irene Adams, retiring diocesan synod treasurer, ministry of the ACW, and those discerning call to ordained ministry (FRED); Companion Diocese of the Rokon, South Sudan (CNL). **Please pray for:** All those receiving the sacrament of Baptism during Easter (ENL); The merged parishes of the Church of the Resurrection and St. Andrews and St. Marks, churches and people of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and South Sudan (MON); Theological students writing exams and residential school survivors (QUE); Appointment of a new Director of Anglican Formation at AST (NSPEI); Bishop John and the work of the Synod Staff, "Bringing in the Sheaves" effort in support of the Diocese of the Rokon, South Sudan and Bishop Francis Loyo, and couples preparing for marriage that they may respond to God's call on their relationship (CNL).

## **DOWNTOWN ABBEY AFTERNOON TEA**

**Celebrate Mother's Day by enjoying the Downtown Abbey Afternoon Tea in Kaulbach Hall on May 12, 2018 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. For only \$10.00 per person, be pampered in the elegance of silver tea services, china cups, dainty sandwiches, scrumptious desserts and attentive table service. Proceeds to help the Sunday School Youth attend CLAY in Thunder Bay in August. See you there!" Tickets are available at the door or at the office.**



## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>** – Spiritual Development 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Eucharist 12:00 noon  
Evening Branch ACW 1:00 p.m.  
Prayer Line 1:00 p.m.  
Choir 6:30 p.m.

**Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Nursing Home Communion 10:00 (Mira)

**Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>** - Meditation 11:00 a.m.  
Lectionary Lunch 12:00 noon

**Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>** – **6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)  
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (BAS) First Communion  
10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
11:15 a.m. Coffee Hour  
7:00 p.m. Sung Evensong

**Offerings:** Total Required by Apr 22 to meet our 2018 budget: \$48,790  
Total Received by Apr 22: \$47,672

**Next Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> Sung Evensong 7:00 p.m.** Again our choir will provide beautiful reflective music for an evening meditation time. Plan to join us!!

**Bookworms and Church Mice** meets next on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> after the 10:00 worship. The book for discussion will be Run, Hide, Repeat by Pauline Dakin. All are welcome to join us.

**Prayer Line** will meet for its spring update on **Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>** at 1:00 p.m. in the parish hall choir room. Bring a bag lunch and come to share with us.

**Scotia Brass** will present a spring concert in St. John's sanctuary on **Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 p.m. A free will offering will be received.

**Next Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>** our Life in the Eucharist class will receive **First Communion** at our 10:00 a.m. worship. Please remember Annie, Jenna and Thomas in your prayers and join with them next week to celebrate!

Looking Ahead: Our CLAY group will be holding a **Yard Sale** on **Saturday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>**. If you have items you would like to donate, call Melinda at 902-843-5707.

Our **CLAY** group has opened an account at **Subway Bottle Exchange** in support of our upcoming trip to Thunder Bay. If you would like to donate the proceeds from your recyclables, please ask them to credit it to the "CLAY 2018" account.

**Looking Ahead:** Mark **June 10<sup>th</sup>** in your calendars for a **special youth-led service** at 10:00 a.m. This will be our Sunday School closing and a thank you to God and our congregation from our CLAY youth. The service will feature an AGAPÉ meal. Agapé is the Greek word for 'love.' An agapé meal was a Christian community feast in which the early Christians gathered to share their food in common with prayer and song. Scholars believe it was distinct from the Eucharist which took place on Sunday morning, with the agapé meal later in the day. At our agapé the youth will preside over bread and wine in church and invite us to share in a continuation of the feast at a potluck in the church hall following the worship.



Think about how many times a day you turn on a tap – getting a cold drink of water, cooking a meal, showering, doing dishes and laundry, or even for washing your car or watering your lawn or garden. Perhaps in the summer you even fill a pool. Now imagine that you cannot do any of those things, either because the tap is dry or the water is unsanitary and disease ridden. This is the reality of millions of people in our world.

**The Water of Life Project was formed in September 2003. Its mission: to create a “caring community working together to raise funds to drill wells giving life and hope to African communities.” Since then, we have raised sufficient funds to dig 34 wells, repaired many broken pumps and supported health clinics for villages receiving a well. Over 10,000 people now have access to safe drinking water because of our efforts since 2003.**

This year's Water of Life campaign wraps up today!!! We encourage you to support this important, life saving and life changing project and also to inform and encourage your friends, family and co-workers to get involved. Ways you can give:

1. Put money in the jar.
2. Make a cheque out to Lifewater Canada. A receipt will be sent to you from Lifewater Canada.
3. Donate online using this URL: [www.canadahelps.org/en/pages/water-of-life-project](http://www.canadahelps.org/en/pages/water-of-life-project) When you have completed your donation you can immediately print your tax receipt. Your donation will go directly to Lifewater Canada for our project.

Please join us at First United Church, Truro on **Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.** for **The Caledonian Show**. Celtic music and dance woven together with laughter and fun for all featuring The Caledonian Orchestra of Nova Scotia, with special guests Retake, a PEI based quartet. Joining us will be the Caledonian Dancers with MC Ron Robertson. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Admission: \$15 at door. Children under 15 free if accompanied by an adult. Pre-sale tickets available at church office.

#### **Connected to the Vine of Christ**

We must stay connected  
To the vine of Jesus Christ,  
The very source of our faith  
And the meaning for our lives

For we will produce much fruit  
As we draw from the vine  
The nourishment of the Lord,  
Which feeds our souls and minds

But if we fail to stay  
Connected to the Lord  
And abide in His promises  
We long ago were taught

Then we will be cut off  
Unable to produce  
The lasting and abundant fruit  
That God so longs to use

For the Lord wants us to be  
Reflecting Jesus Christ  
So the world will clearly see  
The love of God inside

We need to allow the Lord  
To take our branches and prune  
The part that's become withered  
So we'll continue to bloom

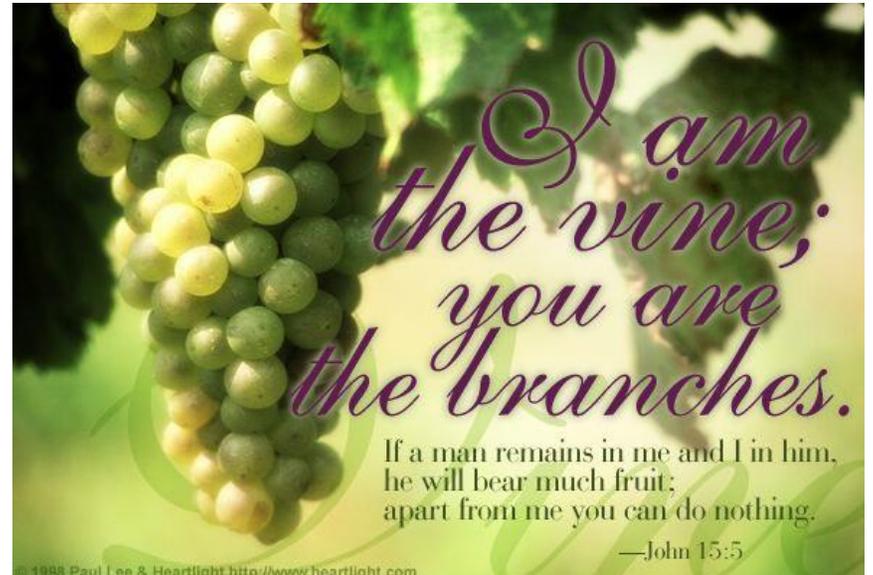
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## ***Fifth Sunday of Easter***

***April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018***



**Rector: The Rev'd Lori Ramsey**  
**Associates: The Rev'd Gary Yetman and The Rev'd Dorothy Tay**  
**Wardens: Michael Stokoe and Hazel Sherren**

**PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME FOR  
FUTURE REFERENCE**