

10:00 Holy Eucharist BAS Licensed Lay Minister: Stephen Hamlin

Processional Hymn: Love Divine (CP 485)

The Gathering of the Community

Trisagion

Collect: Holy God, whose Spirit's breath prompts our seeking: transform the night-time of our fear into a welcoming womb for us and all the world; through Jesus Christ, in whom we are born anew. **Amen**

The Proclamation of the Word:

Genesis 12: 1-4a (Karen Torrerville)

Psalms 121

Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17 (Bill Canning)

Gradual Hymn: For God so Loved the World He Made

The Holy Gospel: John 3: 1-17 (David Torrerville)

Homily – Rev. Lori

Apostles Creed

Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

The Peace

Offering Hymn: He Comes to Us as One Unknown (CP 456)

Prayer over the Gifts: God of wisdom, may the light of the eternal Word, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, guide us to your glory. We ask this in his name. **Amen**

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of Bread #7

Lamb of God

The Communion

Communion Hymn: Bread Blessed and Broken

Ablutions Hymn: My Faith Looks Up to Thee (CP 551)

Prayer after Communion: Creator of heaven and earth, we thank you for these holy mysteries, which bring us now a share in the life to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Doxology

Children's Hymn: Small Things Count

The Blessing

Closing Hymn: O Christ the Great Foundation (CP 524)

Dismissal

Music: May the Lord

Postlude

Altar Flowers are placed to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mary and Jack Rudolph from the family.

Greeters: Bob Adams & Placide Chiasson

Counters: Michael Sherren & Bill Wesley

Chancel Guild: Prue Hansen, Diane MacLeod, Judy Rose, Joan MacDonald

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Tuesday, Mar. 3rd – 8:45 a.m. Morning Prayer

7:00 p.m. Spiritual Development Committee

Wednesday, Mar. 4th – 12:00 noon service

Lenten Program "All in for the Unknown"

6:30 p.m. Choir

Thursday, Mar. 5th – 1:00 p.m. Pastoral Committee

Friday, Mar. 6th – 10:00 a.m. Meditation

11:00 a.m. Lectionary Study

Next Sunday, March 8th – Third Sunday in Lent

Holy Eucharist (BAS) 10:00 a.m.

Communion: We offer two options for the receiving of communion wine: the common cup and a second cup from which a medicine dropper is used to place wine upon the host. You are invited to cross to the chalice of your choice after receiving the host. **Dropper cup on the piano side/Drinking cup on the organ side. Note:** Dipping of the wafer (intinction) is not permitted in the common cup.

ASK ME! You may have noticed some of our members wearing bright yellow and red "ASK ME" buttons. If you are new to St. John's (or even not so new!) and have questions – please speak to anyone wearing a button. If they don't have an answer for you, they'll find one!

Schedule for Holy Week and Easter:

Friday, March 28th – 6:00 p.m. Palm Cross Making (upper hall)

Sunday, March 29th – 10:00 a.m. Palm Sunday Holy Eucharist + blessing of palms

Tuesday, March 31st – 12:00 noon Holy Eucharist

Wednesday, April 1st – 7:00 p.m. Tenebrae

Thursday, April 2nd – 5:00 p.m. Potluck Soup Supper & Communion (upper hall)

Good Friday, April 3rd – 10:30 a.m. Children's Good Friday Service

2:00 p.m. Liturgy of Good Friday

Easter Day Sunday, April 4th – 6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service

10:00 a.m. Easter Liturgy (followed by Easter Egg Hunt)

Spiritual Café dates: Mar. 20th / April 10th / May 1st / May 22nd / June 12th.

Upcoming **Coffee Hour** dates: March 1st and 15th.

Sunday School dates for this term: Mar. 1st and 22nd / April 12th and 26th / May 3rd, 24th and 31st (Sundae Sunday).

2026 offering envelopes are at the back of the church for pick up. 2025 **tax receipts** have been sent by email to those we have addresses for.

Our **Baby Needs 2026 Drive** for the Colchester Food Network takes place from **Feb. 1st to Mar. 8th**. Donations of food, clothing and other essentials for babies and toddlers will be received in the Red Food Cart on Sundays or can be dropped at the office. The items will be delivered to them the week of March 10th. Thank you for supporting this initiative of your Chancel Guild. For more info speak to Maria Murphy or Prue Hansen.

Lenten bags and **calendars** are still available for those who have not picked one up. Bags are in the basket at the back of the church and calendars are on the back table.

We are accepting donations of wrapped Easter candy for our children's **Easter Egg Hunt** on Easter Day. Help us make this fun for our children!

Remember **Lent Madness**? We are not following the debates this year as a parish, but you are invited to follow along at home. Sign up by going to www.lentmadness.org Have some fun learning about those who followed Jesus in the past to get inspired!

The Diocese of NS and PEI is sponsoring a **Lent book club** online again this Lent. The book for this year is Cherished Belonging: The Healing Power of Love in Divided Times by Gregory Boyle. Details about the book club and sign up is available at <https://www.nspeidiocese.ca/news/love-that-heals-diocesan-lenten-book-study>



Our Lent Program this year is called "**All In.**" From the program intro:

"Have you ever decided to go all in for something? Maybe it was when you chose a profession or a partner. Perhaps you made the exciting but terrifying decision to become a homeowner. Maybe it was when you joined your current congregation, or, if you came to faith later in life, when you decided to be baptized.

In Matthew 4, Jesus fasts for forty days in the wilderness, then confronts the testing of the devil. Responding to each temptation, he demonstrates the kind of savior he will become: deeply connected to God's people and God's creation; committed to cosmic saving power, not flashy tricks; filled with love for God and everything God loves. Refusing easy food, power, and dominion, Jesus goes all in on salvation on our behalf. When his life ends on Good Friday, his commitment will be total, emptied out in love dying on the cross and rising from the grave. Jesus shows what it is like to be all in for the reign of God. It means being fully invested, deeply committed. There are no backup options. Everything is on the line.

As Christians, God calls us to a life of commitment and caring for our neighbors and our world, even when the cultures around us view our caring as naive and our commitment as pointless. The endless news cycle can be grim, and optimism can be hard to find. It would be easier to detach from the need around us, to go numb and to care less as we try to guard our hearts and our expectations. But God calls us to deep engagement instead, to care more in a world trying to protect itself by caring less."



Our program invites us to explore going “all in” in different ways:

Ash Wednesday: All in for Repentance

1st week of Lent: All in for Creation

2nd week of Lent: All in for the Unknown

3rd week of Lent: All in for Wonder

4th week of Lent: All in for Relationship

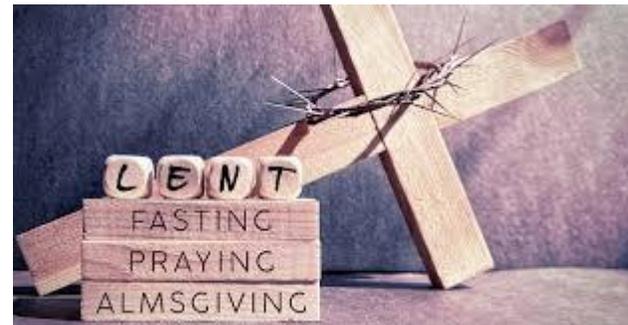
5th week of Lent: All in for Letting Go

Holy Week: All in for the Highs and Lows

Easter: All in for Resurrection

There are two ways to get involved with our “All In” Program. 1) You can sign up to receive private email devotions daily to your inbox. This is a way to read, reflect and pray about the themes day-by-day and week-by-week. Email Rev. Lori at llramseyis@gmail.com to sign up. 2) You can also join our Wednesday noon Lenten Eucharist each week during the season. The worship will feature reflection on the theme and will be followed by an informal coffee and conversation time where we’ll speak further about what we’re hearing and learning. All are welcome to any or both of these offerings.

March 1st, 2026 Second Sunday in Lent



Rector: Rev’d Lori Ramsey



Wardens: Sarah Lennerton and Michael Sherren

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME FOR FUTURE REFERENCE