

10:00 Holy Baptism/Eucharist (BAS)

Licensed Lay Minister: Lorna Sibley

Processional Hymn: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (CP 384)

Gathering of the Community

Collect: Risen Christ, whose gift to us is the Spirit of truth: come make your home with us, so that, keeping your commandments, we may dwell with you and the Father. **Amen**

The Proclamation of the Word:

Acts 17: 22-31 (Myrtis Guy)

Psalm 66: 7-18

1 Peter 3: 13-22 (Joseph Chinanu)

Gradual Hymn – Come Down, O Love Divine (CP 645)

Gospel: John 14: 15-21 (Alec Reynolds)

Homily – Natasha Bejarano

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

Prayers for the Candidate

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Baptismal Covenant

The Baptism

The Giving of the Light

The Peace

Offering Hymn – There is a Redeemer

Prayer over the Gifts: God of glory, accept all we offer you this day, and bring us to that eternal city of love and light, where Christ is King. We ask this in his name. **Amen**

Eucharistic Prayer #4

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of Bread #8

Lamb of God

The Communion

Communion Hymn – For Everyone Born

Ablution Hymn – Spirit of the Living God (CP 647)

Prayer after Communion: Father, you restored to us life by raising your Son from death. May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will, in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord.

Amen

Doxology

The Blessing

Closing Hymn – You Shall Go out with Joy

Dismissal

Music – May the Lord

Postlude

Altar Flowers: Happy Mother's Day to ALL mothers in loving memory from Kathryn Keddy and family.

Greeters: Judy & Harry MacKenzie

Counters: Roger McNutt & Sterling Hubley

Chancel Guild: Leona Hunt & Bill Canning

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Tuesday, May 12th – 7:00 p.m. Property Committee

Wednesday, May 13th – 1:00 p.m. Finance

6:30 p.m. Choir

Friday, May 15th – 10:00 a.m. Meditation

11:00 a.m. Lectionary Bible Study

Next Sunday, May 17th – Ascension Sunday

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

A **happy Mother's Day** is wished to all the mothers and grandmothers in the congregation this morning. We will pray for you during the liturgy.

Today we welcome into the family of God by the sacrament of baptism Stevie Lee Cole McPhail, daughter of Melissa Rogers and Kenneth McPhail.

Anyone wishing **Easter Communion** at home during the Easter season is asked to speak to Rev. Lori.

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!

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.

Our **Water of Life** campaign finishes today. Thank you for your contributions to this year’s campaign.

Coffee Hour dates: June 7th and 21st.

Spiritual Café dates: May 22nd / June 12th.

Sunday School dates: May 24th and 31st (Sundae Sunday).

Easter Season Book Study – We’ll be reading and discussing John Mark Cormer’s Practicing the Way. This short book is a guide to being with Jesus, being like Jesus and acting like Jesus. Leadership will be shared by Rev. Lori, Cory and Natasha. Sundays – May 10th and June 14th after worship in the meeting room. Bring a bag lunch – coffee/tea will be provided. All are welcome. **Books (\$30) are available from the office.**

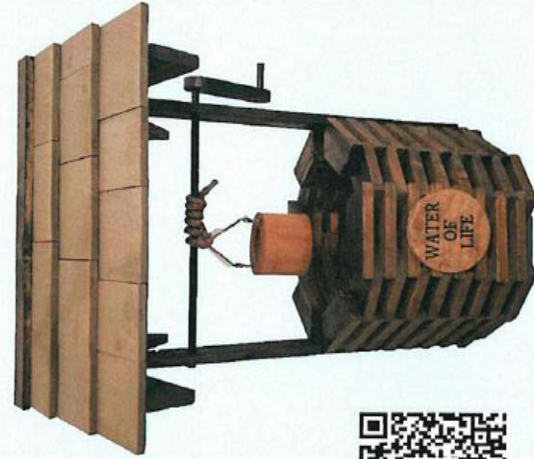
Calling on anyone with sewing skills!!! We are planning to create some new costumes for our Sunday School to use in Christmas pageants. We’ll provide the fabric and notions; we just need someone to sew. If you are interested and can volunteer some time, please speak to Esther or Rev. Lori.

For the month of **May**, your Pastoral Ministry Committee is sponsoring a drive for **Feminine Hygiene products**. For those struggling to meet bills and feed their family, these necessary products can be unaffordable. Whatever we collect will be shared at the end of the month with Third Place Transition House and the Lotus Women’s Resource Centre. Donations can be dropped in the red grocery cart or at the office. Your help is always appreciated.

Walk for Water of Life

Founded in 2003, the Water of Life Project raises funds to drill wells and provide life and hope. Supported by schools, churches, businesses, and individuals, it has funded 69 projects, bringing safe water to 50,000 people in Africa and Haiti.

We proudly support Lifewater Canada, improving health, education, and opportunities. We are grateful to our partners and Lifewater Canada for their ongoing support.



Scan the QR code to donate \$10 minimum for receipt, please write Water of Life on the memo line

Fundraiser:

Saturday, May 30th

10:00 – 11:00 a.m. (rain or shine) Victoria Park, Truro

Walking Path

The bandshell to the falls & a secondary route for easy walking

These walks are symbolic of the daily walks the people of the community make to fetch water everyday to survive

Donate: Cheque: Pay to Lifewater Canada - Please write "Water of Life Project" on the memo line

Request other ways to donate or a pledge sheet for the walk by emailing wateroflifeproject1@gmail.com

Every Person Has The Right To Safe & Accessible Water

Praying for Peace: During the Second World War, a group of people stopped whatever they were doing for a specific time every night to pray for peace and safety for everyone. They did this every day, and it was as if the whole city paused – such was the power of prayer. The result was so overwhelming that the bombing stopped shortly afterward! Now once again some people are organizing. A group of people around the world has agreed to spend one minute praying for the safety of our countries, for the end of the problems that oppress us, and for God to guide the decisions of our leaders. The time chosen for Canada to pray is **12:00 noon**. Please pause in your busy day to pray for peace at that time.

Terrace Hill Cemetery is now open for the season.

Truro Pride Parade 2026 is scheduled for Saturday, June 27th at 1:00 p.m. Your Spiritual Development Committee is making plans now for our parish participation. If you are planning to walk with us in the parade, please speak to Rev. Lori as soon as possible. The parade is always a joyful experience and an important way that we as the church can show solidarity with our LGBTQ+ brothers and sisters.

From Tuesday, May 26th – Friday, May 29th, our **Diocesan Bishop** will be visiting in our region. She will take part in daily activities in parishes from Amherst to Lantz. Bishop Sandra's stop at St. John's will be on Friday, May 29th and she will attend our Meditation and Lectionary Study on that day.

Your Spiritual Development Committee is seeking creative entries to a **logo contest**. We're working on Welcome Bags for newcomers to the parish and we need a bright and eye-catching logo for screen printing onto our gift bags. Design a logo that shows something about St. John's and who we are. There will be a prize for the chosen logo. Get out your pencils and paints and submit something to the office before the end of June. Open to all parishioners of any age!

On Sunday, June 7th, we will host Leah Marshall as guest preacher. Leah will speak about **Alongside Hope** (formerly Primate's World Relief and Development Fund) and its efforts to provide both relief after disasters and long term development support to people and communities around the world in the name of Christ.



Thy Kingdom Come (TKC) is a global ecumenical prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray from Ascension to Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus. Since it began in May 2016, God has grown TKC from a dream of possibility into a movement which unites more than a million Christians in prayer, in nearly 90% of countries worldwide, across 85 different denominations and traditions- so that friends and family, neighbours and colleagues might come to faith in Jesus Christ.

Every person, household and church are encouraged to pray during the 11 days (May 14th – 24th) in their own way. Specifically, we invite each and every Christian across the globe to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 people who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call. It is our hope & prayer, that those who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus Christ and His love for the world, will hear it for themselves and respond and follow Him.

This year's Thy Kingdom Come is all about the presence of God through His spirit.

The God who is with us in the everyday – in the joys and sorrows of life (and everything in between) and the One who, through His spirit, longs to reveal Himself to those who do not yet know Him.

From the story of Ruth to the story of Gideon, from the story of Elijah to the story of the early church who waited for the promised Holy Spirit to come - over the 11 days we will explore a different Bible story each day, which demonstrates God's transformative presence, power and love at work in the lives of people and places.

Our hope is that as we pray for our five people, they will also experience the life-changing love of God and choose to follow Him.

For more information visit <https://share.google/dzGr7Zrj7QgFH1MiV>

Local Senior Games Week: May 11th – 15th. Come, join us! Local Senior (55+) Games Week is a great event aimed at keeping seniors active while having fun and making connections in their communities! You may participate in as many events as you wish! Auction 45's, cribbage, darts, bowling, washer toss, casual walking, skip-bo, badminton, euchre, bingo, scrabble, crokinole, Yahtzee and lawn bowling. Registration deadline is Monday, May 4th at the Village of Bible Hill office (67 Pictou Rd.) The office is open Monday – Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon and 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. to accept registration, which is on a first come first served basis. Questions? Please contact the Village at 902-893-8083 or admin@biblehill.ca

Bible Hill Kinsmen 10th Annual **Book Fair** May 28th – 30th, 2026
Truro Curling Club 56 Young Street, Truro:

Thursday May 28th 4:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Friday May 29th 4:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

For more information, contact:

bookfair@biblehillkinsmen.ca

Or visit our Facebook page:

Facebook.com/bhkinsmen



May 10th, 2026 Sixth Sunday of Easter



Rector: Rev'd Lori Ramsey



Wardens: Sarah Lennerton and Michael Sherren

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