

**June 21<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> after Pentecost (National Indigenous Day of Prayer)**

**10:00 Holy Eucharist (BAS)** Licensed Lay Minister: Lorna Sibley

**Processional Hymn: Rejoice Today with One Accord (CP 318)**

Gathering of the Community

Gloria (sung CP 365)

**Collect:** Creator God, from you every family in heaven and earth takes its name. You have rooted and grounded us in your covenant love and empowered us by your Spirit to speak the truth in love, and to walk in your way towards justice and wholeness. Mercifully grant that your people, journeying together in partnership, may be strengthened and guided to help one another to grow into the full stature of Christ, who is our light and our life. **Amen**

**The Proclamation of the Word:**

Isaiah 40: 25-31 (Jason Reynolds)

Psalm 19

Philippians 4: 4-9 (Maria Murphy)

**The Holy Gospel:** John 1: 1-18 (Sarah Lennerton)

Homily – Rev. Lori

Nicene Creed

The Prayers of the People

Confession and Absolution

The Peace

**Offering Hymn – Touch the Earth Lightly**

**Prayer over the Gifts:** Creator, you bless us with many good gifts returned to you from your creation. Feed us with the Bread of Life, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Eucharistic Prayer #1

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of Bread #3

Lamb of God

The Communion

**Communion and Ablution Music (instrumental)**

**Prayer after Communion:** Great Creator, you have fed us with bread from heaven. Continue to renew us in your truth, to give light to our minds, strength to our bodies, and seal us with your Holy Spirit. We ask this in Christ's name. **Amen**

Doxology

The Blessing

**Closing Hymn – Forth in Thy Name, O Lord, I Go (CP 467)**

Dismissal

**Music – May the Lord**

Postlude

**Greeters:** Hazel & Michael Sherren

**Counters:** Michael Sherren & Faye Kennedy

**Chancel Guild:** Leona Hunt, Faye Kennedy, Laura Wheeler

In lieu of altar flowers, a donation has been made to the glory of God and in loving memory of Pat, Paul, Michael and Rowena from Harold and family.
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Next Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

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

A **Happy Father's Day** is wished to all the fathers and grandfathers in our congregation today. We will pray for you during the liturgy that God will guide you in all you do for your families. Please see Rev. Lori as you leave for a sweet treat to celebrate!

Today is our last **Coffee Hour** before summer. Come and join us for food and fellowship next door in the upper hall.

**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're 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!

**WELCOME WEDNESDAYS:** Good morning, all! Leona Hunt here. I spoke to you on May 24<sup>th</sup> about a summer ministry project called Welcome Wednesdays which came about through my year with the Connectors 7 which I finished up in April. The dream is that we open the doors, quite literally, and welcome in our neighbours, the community and visitors to Truro to tell the world that everyone is welcome to worship in this house of the Lord, regardless of religious affiliation or if you have never had an affiliation. Let's sow some seeds! **BUT I NEED YOU** to walk alongside me to make this summer ministry happen. To that end, please consider filling out the **sign up form below** and place it in the wicker basket at the back of the church (there are pens and scissors available beside the basket). Offer up your gift of time on Wednesdays from 10:30 to 2:00 and please bring along any other gifts you might have to make this a fun and interesting time for all. I will need 2 volunteers each Wednesday. AND remember to consider your faith stories that we might get to know each other in a different way as we share. There will be a morning prayer service at 11:00 from different prayer books. Thank you in advance and God bless!

#### WELCOME WEDNESDAYS SIGN UP

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell or Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Wednesdays not available: \_\_\_\_\_

Our choir has ceased formal rehearsals for the summer. Today we move to our **summer music format** with a reduced number of hymns and a pick-up choir. May those who offer the ministry of music all year long find time and opportunity to rejuvenate and renew over the summer break.

**Spiritual Café, Lectionary Study and Meditation** are now on their summer break. Watch for dates for their return in the fall.

**Truro Pride Parade 2026: Saturday, June 27 at 1:00 p.m.** (Please note the time change again!) If you are planning to walk with us in the parade, please speak to Rev. Lori as soon as possible. We need a good number of people as we hope to feature again our **Dove of Peace!** She requires 5 people at a time to make her fly! 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.

**Book Study:** There will be one more session of the book study on John Mark Cormer's Practicing the Way. We will consider the section on a Rule of Life on **Sunday, September 13<sup>th</sup>** after the worship. Bring a bag lunch and we will provide the coffee/tea. All are welcome. Books are available in the parish office for \$30. Practicing the Way also has a podcast available at:

Podcasts <https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/practicing-the-way/id1729195085>,

Youtube

[https://www.youtube.com/results?search\\_query=practicing+the+way+podcast](https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=practicing+the+way+podcast)

Spotify <https://open.spotify.com/show/7dHIByUQ588Li9pUtv0TDn>

Our parish **Fall Retreat** date has been set! Please mark **Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>** in your calendars for a day away together at the Seek Wilderness facility at the top of Young St. All are welcome to join in this time of prayer, reflection, sharing and enjoying God's good creation!

We are exploring the possibility of holding an **adult Confirmation Class** this fall. Any who are interested in seeking Confirmation are asked to speak to Rev. Lori.

**Terrace Hill Cemetery** is now open for the season.

**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.

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!

**Mission to Seafarers:** We know it is not nearing Christmas but we wanted to let you know early on that we will be starting our Mission to Seafarers Campaign earlier this year. Items for a regular running shoe box include: Hat / Toque, Scarf or neck warmer, Gloves, Socks. Wrapped hard candy (**no chocolate**), Soap, Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Shampoo or body wash (no larger than 375ml to fit in a shoebox), Shaving foam, Razors, Deodorant, Lip balm, Playing cards, Pen/pencil, Small packages of tissues, Comb, Christmas card, Bible (supplied by mission), Mementos of NS, PEI or Canada. Rev'd Bev will be explaining more about this mission at various Sundays through to the late fall.

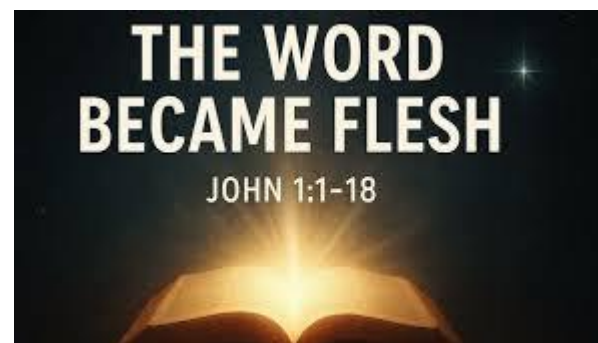
**Free Senior Safety Program:** **June 22<sup>nd</sup>** 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon at Truro Police Service Community Office Truro Mall. Join us for a presentation and discussion on computer safety including online frauds and scams by a Digital Literacy Instructor from Colchester Adult Literacy Assn. A free lunch will be provided. Register at (902) 897-3271 or email [thart@truro.ca](mailto:thart@truro.ca)



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Rector: Rev'd Lori Ramsey



Wardens: Sarah Lennerton and Michael Sherren

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