ALL SAINTS DAY

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) and Mi'kmaq Peoples.

10:30 am Holy Communion

The liturgy is according to *The Book of Alternative Services*.

THE CHURCH GATHERS TO WORSHIP

Prelude
Welcome and Opening
Processional Hymn *"For All the Saints"* **CP 276**
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The Collect of the Day

Almighty God,
whose people are knit together in one holy Church,
the mystical Body of your Son,
grant us grace to follow your blessed saints
in lives of faith and commitment,
and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared
for those who love you;
through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE WORD IS READ AND PROCLAIMED

First Reading Revelation 7:9-17

A reading from Revelation.

9 After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no
one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and
languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in
white, with palm branches in their hands. **10** They cried out in a loud
voice, saying,
'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and
to the Lamb!'
11 And all the angels stood around the throne and around the
elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before
the throne and worshipped God, **12** singing,
'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honour

and power and might
be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' 14 I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

15 For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
16 They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
17 for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.' *[NRSV-A]*

Hear God's word for God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 34:1-10, 22

1 I will bless the Lord at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
2 **I will glory in the Lord; ***
let the humble hear and rejoice.
3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; *
let us exalt his name together.
4 **I sought the Lord, and he answered me ***
and delivered me out of all my terror.
5 Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.
6 **I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me ***
and saved me from all my troubles.
7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.
8 **Taste and see that the Lord is good; ***
happy are they who trust in him!
9 Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, *
for those who fear him lack nothing.
10 **The young lions lack and suffer hunger, ***
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.

22 The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, *
and none will be punished who trust in him.

Second Reading 1 John 3:1-3

A reading from First John.

1 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called
children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does
not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's
children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do
know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see
him as he is. 3 And all who have this hope in him purify themselves,
just as he is pure. *[NRSV-A]*

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Gradual Hymn *"Blest Are the Pure in Heart"* **CP 439**

1 Blest are the pure in heart,
for they shall see our God;
the secret of the Lord is theirs,
their soul is Christ's abode.

2 The Lord, who left the heavens
our life and peace to bring,
To dwell in lowliness with us,
our pattern and our King.

3 Still to the lowly soul
his presence doth impart,
and for a dwelling and a throne
chooseth the pure in heart.

4 Lord, we thy presence seek;
may ours this blessing be;
give us a pure and lowly heart,
a temple fit for thee.

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Gospel Matthew 5:1-12

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

1 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he
sat down, his disciples came to him. 2 Then he began to speak, and
taught them, saying:
3 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
4 'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
5 'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
6 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they
will be filled.
7 'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
8 'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
9 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
10 'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
11 'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter
all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be
glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they
persecuted the prophets who were before you. *[NRSV-A]*

The Gospel of Christ.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon Fr Chris Ketch

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THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn *"When It's All Been Said and Done"*

1 When it's all been said and done,
There is just one thing that matters:
Did I do my best to live for truth,
Did I live my life for you?

2 When its all been said and done,
All my treasures will mean nothing,
Only what I've done for Love's reward
Will stand the test of time.

3 Lord your mercy is so great
That you look beyond our weakness
And find purest gold in miry clay
Making sinners into saints.

4 I will always sing your praise
Here on earth and ever after,
For you've shown me heaven's my true home
When it's all been said and done
You're my life when life is gone.

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Receiving of Communion

While the church receives communion in silence, take the time to reflect or pray or sit quietly and to enable others to do so, and/or at any time to join in the singing of the following music:

"Purify My Heart" ***MP 921***

1 Purify my heart,
Let me be as gold and precious silver,
Purify my heart,
Let me be as gold, pure gold.

Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire
Is to be holy,

Set apart for You, Lord;
I chose to be holy,
Set apart for You, my master,
Ready to do Your will.

2 Purify my heart,
Cleanse me from within
And make me holy,
Purify my heart,
Cleanse me from sin, deep within.

"As Longs the Hart for Flowing Streams" ***CP 541***

1 As longs the hart for flowing streams,
So longs my soul to You, O God;
My soul does thirst for the living God:
When shall I come to see Your face?

2 My tears have fed me day and night,
While others said, 'Where is your God?'
But I recall, as my soul pours dry,
The days of praise within Your house.

3 Why do I mourn and toil within,
When it is mine to hope in God?
I shall again sing praise to God,
Who is my Help, Who is my God.

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Blessing *as given by the presider*

THE CHURCH DEPARTS TO WITNESS AND TO SERVE

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Recessional Hymn *"Let There Be Peace on Earth"*

Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.
Let there be peace on earth
The peace that was meant to be.
With God as our father
Brothers all are we.
Let me walk with my brother
In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me
Let this be the moment now.
With every step I take
Let this be my solemn vow.
To take each moment
And live each moment
In peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth,
And let it begin with me.

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Postlude

Those serving today's worship and learning:

Bulletin preparation	Lori Maker (Parish Office)
Altar Guild	Bev, Sharon & Carol
Sunday School	Laura Janes
Sound system	Chris Titus
Greeter	Patti & Jim Touchbourne
Layreader & First Reader	Joyce Mitchell
Second Reader	Heather Masson
Prayer Leader	Layreader
Organist & Choir Director	David Mitchell
Presider & preacher	Chris Ketch

Guitarist	Shayne Galbraith
Counters	Terry Ricketts & Janet Brown
Building care	Janet Brown

Who's serving next week is on the Narthex bulletin board.

THIS WEEK

Mon, Nov 2, 7:00 pm	Tintinnabula Hand Bell Choir (Small Hall) For more info contact Lynn Adams at 506 635-8474
Wed, Nov 4, 10:00 am	Saint John and District Senior's Shuffleboard (Large Hall) For more info contact Pauline Wilson at 506 738-8677
Wed, Nov 4, 7:00 pm	Choir practice (Small Hall) For more info contact David Mitchell at 506 738-2798

NEXT WEEK

Next Sunday – November 8 ***Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost -Remembrance*** Scripture readings Joshua 24:1-4, 14-25; *Psalm 78:1-7*; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

Food Bank

Please remember the **West Side Food Bank** with a toonie or a loonie in the can in the Narthex, or a donation in a special envelope marked with your name or number. We aim to support the Food Bank by at least $ 200/month!



Happy Birthday this Week to:

Carol Patterson, November 1
Kaitlyn DeWitt, November 3
Louise Touchbourne, November 3
Michael Dixon, November 5
Jody Kilpatrick, November 5
Pam Melanson, November 7

"Remember you are a Child of God through Baptism"

PRAYER

Parish Cycle of Prayer for Week *of November 1-7*

Mon: Jay and Pam Melanson, and Carrie Megaw
Tue: Rahul and Evelyn Mishra
Wed: Gerald Miller
Thur: Lisa Miller-Snow, Rick Snow & Rebecca Snow
Fri: Our Prayer Ministry
Please pray for these parishioners and ministry this week.

Prayer for folks in nursing or special care homes
Ginny Abbott, Frances Finley, Ann Hoben, Grenville Ingraham, Ruth Northeast, Arlene Trask.

Prayer for those in hospital or sick at home
Andrew Aalund, Diane Basque, Margaret Boyer, Edith Chilton, Shelly Clark Collins, Linda Cunningham, Jo-Ann Diamond, Bonnie Dean, Wendy DeWitt, Shirley Downing, Ernest Ellingwood, Barb Ellis, Debbie Green, Kaye Mallory, Pam Melanson, Michael Penchoff, Susan Penchoff, Carol Price, Margaret Ann Reid, Lois Shaw, Avery Sherriff-Craft, Bob Sherwood, Mykayla Spinney, Norm Toole, Dennis Totton, Joe Totton, Robbie Wong.

Saint John Mission to Seafarers Prayer Cycle
In November, we pray for harmony among the variety of nationalities and cultures onboard ships.

Prayer Shawls - if you know someone in our parish who is in great need for prayer and would find comfort in a shawl made with love and care. Contact Ngaire Nelson at 506-672-8666 or the church office at 506-635-8145.

OUR PARISH PRAYER TREE

A team of volunteers is available upon request, to pray for you or your loved one (with their permission) daily, for two weeks. These prayers will be treated with the strictest confidence. Prayer-requests should be short and to the point, and will be passed on verbatim. The Lord knows what we need best! A follow-up of thanks or an update encourages our intercessors in their ministry.

To initiate the prayer-tree ministry please call your request to our "Captain", Ngaire Nelson (672-8666)

Christmas Basket Campaign. Below is a list of the standard grocery items we fill the baskets with. We also accept monetary donations. The funds are used to bump up if needed, nonperishables, buy fresh vegetables, milk, bread etc closer to the day of distribution and provide a gift card so the families can purchase a Turkey, Ham, or Chicken.

CHRISTMAS BASKETS NON-PERISHABLE LIST

Item	Required	Item	Required
Peanut Butter	30	Canned meat (ie.Pram)	30
Jam	30	Uncooked Pasta	30
Pancake Mix	30	Can/Jar Pasta Sauce	30
Syrup (for Pancakes)	30	Fruit Cocktail	30
Box of cereal	30	Cookies	30
Canned Juice	60	Canned Corn	48
Canned Soup	120	Canned Peas	48
Saltine Crackers	30	Cranberry Sauce	30
Canned Spaghetti	30	Stuffing Mix	30
Kraft Dinner	120	Christmas Candy	30
Canned Beans	40	Box of chocolates	30
Canned Tuna	30		

Please mark your donations "Christmas Baskets" if bringing them to the church before December. Thank you for your continued support!