

## Quote of the Week



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**Visits** - If you know of someone in this Parish who is sick or shut-in and would like a visit, please let us know! Rev Wendy would love to visit.

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## *St. James Anglican Church*

Ascension Sunday

May 16 2021

Service of Holy Eucharist

**Processional Hymn: 1    All Creatures of our God and King**

### **The Grace**

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

### **The Collect for Purity**

Celebrant: Almighty God,

**People: to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen**

### **The Collect for the Day:**

**(Together) ) Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord. Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of his peace, and bring the whole of creation to worship at his feet, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen**

**First Reading: Acts 1: 1-11**

### **Psalm 47**

1 Clap your hands, all you peoples; \* shout to God with a cry of joy.

**2 For the Lord Most High is to be feared; \* he is the great king over all the earth.**

3 He subdues the peoples under us, \* and the nations under our feet.

**4 He chooses our inheritance for us, \* the pride of Jacob whom he loves.**

5 God has gone up with a shout, \* the Lord with the sound of the ram's-horn.

**6 Sing praises to God, sing praises; \* sing praises to our king, sing praises.**

7 For God is king of all the earth; \* sing praises with all your skill.

**8 God reigns over the nations; \* God sits upon his holy throne.**

9 The nobles of the peoples have gathered together \* with the people of the God of Abraham.

**10 The rulers of the earth belong to God, \* and he is highly exalted.**

**(Together): Blessed are you, God of all the earth; you have called us out of every people and nation to be a royal priesthood and citizens of your holy city. May our words of praise call the world to turn to the joy of fellowship with you, through Jesus Christ our Amen**

**Second Reading: Ephesians 1: 15-23**

**Gradual Hymn: 851 MP Here I Am Lord**

**Gospel: Luke 24: 44-53**

**Sermon**

**The Apostles' Creed**

Celebrant: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we say,

**People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

## **Church News**

### **Plateless Roast Beef Dinner**

In our Calendar of Events we have a Roast Beef Dinner scheduled for May 15. Due to Covid 19 we are unable to have it. Most of our parishioners give generously to this parish fundraiser. **We are suggesting that we give a monetary donation instead of your usual food etc. donation. Our donations will help our church meet its financial and outreach commitments. Donations can be placed on the plate marked 'Roast Beef Dinner'. If you require more information please talk to Loretta, Donna or Rev. Wendy. Thank you in advance for your support.**

### **Outdoor Plant Sale – June 05, 2021**

**We are planning our Annual Spring Plant Sale on June 05 this year, depending on Provincial restrictions due to Covid. All donations for the sale would be greatly appreciated. Call Donna at 204-5755 or Loretta at 854-5499.**

**Vestry Meeting – Today –** Downstairs after the service. Please bring a snack if you wish.

**Operation Live Stream** is a project of the Deanery of Shediac.

It involves live-streaming Morning and Evening Prayer from Monday to Friday, each week .

**If you might be interested in assisting** occasionally as a reader, or as a member of the Congregation, please speak to your clergy.

The Services are prayed at 8:30 am and 5:00 pm at St. George's Church. Free parking is available.

An **orientation** for those who are interested has been scheduled for **Tuesday evening, May 18th, at 6:30 PM at St. George's.**

### **Coffee and Conversation – 1 st Sunday of the Month**

Our first monthly coffee and conversation was held last Sunday and went very well. The next one will be Sunday, June 6.

## Church News

**At our last vestry meeting the following please note:**

**Parking Lot** - A motion was passed at the April Vestry meeting that the parish proceed with EXP services (fees of \$8575.00 plus HST could be covered by Parking lot fund) so that a real time estimates could be obtained concerning the cost of establishing a parking lot for St James.

**Church windows:** D. Ford reported that his contractor indicated that the lower windows were in good shape and could last for another 5 years with some maintenance (caulking of 5, broken pane replacement and painting). He has approached Capital Caulking and painter for estimates for this work.

**Advertising:** K. Pike indicated that he had implemented a \$91.00 contract so that St James would appear as first listing on Google searches.

Please ask Wendy or the wardens Loretta and Donna if you have any questions.

**Prayer Shawls Available** – Please ask if you would like a prayer shawl to give to someone. Rev Wendy, Loretta or Donna.

**Collecting socks, gloves, hats, hoodies, jackets** for our monthly breakfast at St Georges. Please place donations in the basket in the vestibule. Thanks for your continued generosity!

**Food Bank Sunday – First Sunday of the Month.** Thanks for your donations and continued support!!!

**Household items for sale downstairs.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Ascension Sunday**

*Priest:* Glorify your Name, O God, and fill the world with your eternal life, that all people may be one in you as you are one in Christ, as we pray: Sing to God; **sing praises to God's Name.**

Reader 1: Loving God, you have given your people the confidence to come before you through the new and living way that Jesus Christ has opened for us. Grant your church grace to provoke one another to love and good deeds, encouraging one another in Christ. In the church we pray for David our Archbishop, Brent our Archdeacon, Wendy our priest and all in leadership roles. May they lead us to understand the love of Jesus and His message. Bless your Church and her members as we labour in your vineyard, that we may be fruitful, as we live our lives in a manner worthy of the gospel, and live faithfully in your loving presence.. Sing to God; **sing praises to God's Name.**

**Reader 2.** Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth, be glad and rejoice, that God may finish the work that Christ began to bring peace and unity to the world. Sing to God; **sing praises to God's Name.**

**Reader 3.** Father of orphans, defender of widows, look with compassion upon all the people of the world; with your great power restore, support, strengthen, and establish them. Sing to God; **sing praises to God's Name.**

**Reader 4.** Let your Name dwell with us in our community, O God, to refresh our land, bless our homes, and make provision for the poor, that we may be one as you are one. Sing to God; **sing praises to God's Name.**

**Reader 5.** Hear our prayers for all for whom we care, especially for all those on our parish prayer list...(add names known). Accept our praise and thanksgiving for all the blessings we enjoy, especially for the promise of the Holy Spirit, as our guide and advocate. Receive into your glory all who have died. Glorify your Son Jesus and establish Christ's authority over all people to give eternal life to all whom you have made. Sing to God; **sing praises to God's Name.**

**(Together): Your glory, O God, fills the whole creation: Send your power from on high and glorify the earth with your presence, that we may be one as you and the Son are one, in the strength of your Holy Spirit. Amen.**

### **Confession and Absolution**

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Celebrant; Most merciful God,

**People: we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People: Amen.**

**Musical Selection –**

### **Prayer Over the Gifts:**

**(Together): Eternal God, our Saviour Jesus Christ has promised to be with us until the end of time. Accept all we offer you this day, and renew us in his transfigured life; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

### **Eucharistic Prayer #2**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: We give you thanks and praise, almighty God,..... / .....to proclaim the glory of your name.

**People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

#### **The Breaking of the Bread**

Celebrant: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All: We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread**

#### **The Communion**

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the People of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Musical Selection –**

#### **Prayer after Communion:**

**(Together). Eternal Giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom. Confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#### **Doxology:**

Celebrant : Glory to God,

**People: whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

#### **The Blessing**

#### **Announcements**

#### **The Dismissal**

**506 MP How Great Thou Art**

**Prayer Requests: Susan Goguen, Trisha Corner, Beth, Sharon, Myrna, Bill, George, Gillian**