

Word from the Brothers: **More**

God will always leave us with space and desire for More. God is always greater. If God is not ever greater, then we run the risk of reverencing only the archives of our experience of God, rather than worshipping the living God who is always More. Br. Curtis Almquist Society of Saint John the Evangelist



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St. Margaret of Scotland Anglican Church

Open minds and loving hearts
All are Welcome

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 7, 2019

8:30 am & 10:30 am - HOLY EUCHARIST
BOOK OF ALTERNATE SERVICES



"The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume"

A warm welcome to all, especially those who are worshipping with us for the first time this morning. We hope your time here today will be a blessing to you, as your presence is a blessing to us. *All who seek closeness with God are welcome to receive Holy Communion this morning.*

HOLY EUCHARIST

(Said at 8:30 am and with music at 10:30 am)

Lay Ministers: Sherry Smith, Ted Johnson, Danny Ray

GATHERING

Processional Hymn: Mission Praise #678
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Lord Have Mercy page 186
The Collect of the Day (see bulletin insert)
Praise Song: Somebody's Knocking at Your Door

PROCLAMATION

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21 *Anne King*
Psalm 126 *Ted Johnson* (see bulletin insert)
Second Reading: Philippians 3:4b-14 *Donna Mossman*
Gradual Hymn: Mission Praise #375
Holy Gospel: John 12:1-8
Gradual Hymn: Mission Praise #375
Sermon
Apostle's Creed page 189
The Prayers of the People *Taunya Dawson*
The Confession and Absolution page 191
The Peace

CELEBRATION

Offertory Hymn: Common Praise #371
Prayer over the Gifts (see bulletin insert)
Eucharistic Prayer #2 page 196
The Lord's Prayer page 211
The Breaking of the Bread #7 page 213
The Communion
Communion Hymns: Common Praise #179

SENDING

Prayer after Communion (see bulletin insert)
Children's Talk
Doxology page 214
Benediction
Announcements
Recessional Hymn: Just a Closer Walk with Thee (see bulletin insert)
Dismissal

From the Book of Remembrance

Today we remember on their Year's Mind

Lillian Stevens - April 9
Arthur Lawlor - April 9
Ivan Kendall - April 9
Margaret Clattenburg - April 9
Catherine Willman - April 11

*Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord.
And let light perpetual shine upon them. Amen.*



Dates at a Glance

Fri Apr 12 - Set Up Yard Sale 9 am till Evening
Sat Apr 13 - Yard Sale 9 am till 1 pm
Thurs Apr 18 - Maundy Thursday Evening Service
Fri Apr 19 - Good Friday Children's Service
- Good Friday Stations of the Cross
Sat Apr 20 - Sandwich Club
- Easter Vigil
Sun Apr 21 - Easter Sunday
Tues Apr 23 - Catering, Hall
Thurs Apr 25 - Casserole Luncheon
Sat Apr 27 - St. George's Soup Kitchen
Tues Apr 30 - Hall Rental

Is one of these a jobs for you? There are a couple of small jobs that we are looking for someone to look after each week. One is to put the numbers up on the **hymn board**. (about 10 minutes) The other is to arrange the **tables and chairs for coffee hour**. (about 5 -15 mins) Both of these jobs could be done on Sunday morning. If you could help all or some of the time please speak to Brian George or Dale Moffat.

Holy Week Services with Breakfast All are welcomed to these ecumenical services hosted by South End churches. Services will begin at 7:30 am followed by a continental breakfast at 8 am.

Monday, April 15 - All Saints Cathedral (1330 Cathedral Lane)

Tuesday, April 16 - First Baptist Church Halifax (1300 Oxford Street)

Wednesday, April 17 - St. Mary`s Basilica (5221 Spring Garden Road).

Something new this year: On Easter Eve we will be celebrating *The Great Vigil of Easter*. This ancient rite begins, when in total darkness and silence, we light the Paschal Fire and hear the singing of the *Exultet*, an ecstatic hymn of praise for the mystery of Christ's Resurrection. Then by candlelight we hear the stories of God's plan of salvation and we break forth with the first *ALLELUIA* of Easter. And finally, to prepare ourselves for Easter morning, we renew our Baptism in Christ, and are sprinkled with Holy Water. This is a very special service and will lend added depth to any Easter celebration. Come and bring a friend. Mark your calendars: 9:00 pm **Saturday April 20th**.

The outreach committee will partner with **St. Georges "soup kitchen" on Saturday, April 27/19**. Onsite volunteers are needed from 3 pm –6 pm. Also we need volunteers to help with cooking. We are hoping that this will be the first of many opportunities for us to be missional as a community of faith, an opportunity for us to walk with and care for our brothers and sisters in Christ. *"The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor.* Proverbs 22:9. If you can help in any way please call, **Danny Ray, Margery Cotterell, Georgia Johnson, Janet Templeton**. Or sign the list at the back of the church, asap!

The Diocesan Times and Anglican Journal please note that if you wish to continue receiving them, *you must confirm this* by completing the confirmation information form on the Journal website (anglicanjournal.ca) or alternatively, by leaving a message at this toll-free number: 1-866-333-0959. Please include your name, address and phone number. *If you do not confirm your subscription, you will stop receiving the newspapers after June 2019.*

St. Margaret of Scotland Mission Statement:

To be a Christ-centered, mission minded community embracing all people across the spectrum of cultural, ethnic, racial, gender, sexual orientation, ages and class diversity as full members of the family of God.

Week at a glance

April 7 - April 14

Sun	8:30 am & 10:30 am —Taunya Dawson farewell 5:30 pm — Youth Group, Hall & Church
Mon	6:30 - 7:30 pm — Beavers, Hall
Tues	6:30 - 8:00 pm — Cubs, Hall
Wed	10:00 am — Lenten Eucharist 1:30 pm — Property Committee, Office 6:00 pm — Highlanders, Church & Hall 9:00 pm — Compline, Church
Thur	1:00 pm — Grief Group, Church
Fri	All Day — Set Up, Hall
Sat	9:00 am — Indoor Yard Sale, Hall
Sun	5:30 pm — Youth Group, Hall & Church

Our Lenten weekday Eucharist will continue this Wednesday April 10th at 10:00 am. Plan to come if you can for a mid week spiritual pick me up. And if you can't make it to the 10:00 am service, we will also have Compline at 9:00 pm. All welcome.

Wednesdays at 9:15 p.m. we host **Compline**, which is a beautiful and peaceful way to end the day. Please feel free to drop in.

Thank you to some wonderful church workers: To Tung Nguyen and Mike Cuvelier for shoveling gravel left by the snow plow; To Jack & Lori Gallagher and Brian George for removing the furniture off the hall floor prior to cleaning, and to Brian George, Shane Kelly and Doug King for giving it a good cleaning; To Susan & Gordon Crouse, Lilo Sawh, Danny & Matthew Ray, Janet Templeton, Paula Freeman Ruth & Doug Rogers, and Margery Cotterell for cleaning our worship space. And to Doug & Brian for putting up the new storage shelves in the choir room. We appreciate all your efforts! *Charles*

The Food Bank at St. Mark's is going Green!

They are looking for donations of new or like new reusable shopping bags. Donations may be left in the boat at the back of the church.

Parish Council Highlights
March 2019

- ❖ The ten priorities identified at our Discernment Day continue to be addressed. At the AGM on March 10 it was decided to strike an Architecture Committee; there have been many suggestions related to the infrastructure of the church building (e.g. an elevator, pew removal, accessible washrooms, etc.) which need to be explored by this group. If you are interested in joining this committee please speak to Brian George, Dale Moffat, or Steve England.
- ❖ We continue to search for a new Music Director. Parish Council approved a salary increase not to exceed \$15,000 for the right candidate.
- ❖ The newly formed Outreach Committee will focus initially on our commitment to provide and serve a meal at St. George's Soup Kitchen on April 27. Please speak to Danny Ray if you can provide a shepherd's pie and/or serve on the 27th or if you would like to join the Outreach Committee.
- ❖ Our Book of Remembrance is currently taking the form of a calendar situated in the church office. Names of those who have died will be listed in the bulletin and announced at the time of the offering on their year's mind. Many thanks to Marg MacNeil, her daughter Lynn MacCarthy, Phyllis Cook and Betty Purcell for compiling this lengthy list. We hope eventually to convert the calendar to a beautiful book with names noted by date of death that would be on display in the church.
- ❖ Georgia Johnson is still looking for expressions of interest in a Kitchen Party to honour and celebrate all those who have worked so hard over the years in the kitchen. Please see Georgia if you would like to help with this event which will take place in the fall.
- ❖ In January, Council approved the establishment of the Bowser Endowment Fund. The monies will be available for specific projects approved by Parish Council. The initial gift of \$150,000 will be distributed as follows: \$134,000 be placed in the Bowser Endowment Fund (at 4% interest), \$10,000 be used to repay the endowment loan, \$1,000 be put in the Rector's Discretionary Fund, and \$5,000 be placed in the savings account for 2019 project use.
- ❖ A plaque honouring the late Percy and Laura Bowser will be dedicated and installed in the church in the coming months.
- ❖ The church hall is in use every weekend for the foreseeable future. Parishioners are reminded that when a group rents the hall/kitchen the space is reserved for them and parishioners should not be entering and/or using the space at those times.
- ❖ A laptop computer has been purchased for use by the Envelope Secretary.
- ❖ Advance notice: we are hoping to hold a concert by the Scotian Aires at St. Margaret's on a Sunday afternoon in the fall. This will be a fund raiser for the church and the choir as proceeds are split 50/50. See Donna Strong if you can help in organizing this event.
- ❖ Advance notice: Harvest Thanksgiving Service will be held on October 6, 2019, one week ahead of Thanksgiving.