

# St. Margaret of Scotland Anglican Church

**Open minds and loving hearts**  
**All are Welcome**

Third Sunday after Pentecost  
June 13, 2021

9:30 am – MORNING PRAYER  
BOOK OF ALTERNATIVE SERVICES



## The Parable of the Growing Seed

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.

Always be ready to make your defence to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you;  
yet do it with gentleness and reverence.

1 Peter 3:15

## MORNING PRAYER- BOOK OF ALTERNATIVES THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Lay Minister: Frank Riggs

Prelude

Hymn: Common Praise #373 - This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made

Welcome to the Parish of St. Margaret of Scotland  
in the north end of Halifax.

We are blessed as we gather together online.

We are blessed in our ministry team this morning.

We remember families in our Parish Cycle of Prayer,  
we pray for Albert and Zelma Green, Paula Freeman, Bruce Hollett,  
Iris Newman, and Lynn and Stanley Bauld.

Our Paschal Candle is lit in memory of those families awaiting a  
funeral liturgy or interment, Robert Pompa, Kenneth Purcell, and  
Muriel Moffat.

Lord, open our lips,

**And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

O God, make speed to save us.

**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the  
Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be for ever. Amen.**

**Alleluia!**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

**Almighty God,**

**without you we are not able to please you.**

**Mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit**

**may in all things direct and rule our hearts;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord,**

**who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
Amen.**

#### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Hebrew Scriptures: *1 Samuel* 15:34-16:13 *Bruce Hollett*

Psalms 20 *Rebecca Fairless*

Refrain: **The Lord gives victory to his anointed.**

Epistle: *2 Corinthians* 5:6-10 (11-13), 14-17 *Bob Blunden*

Hymn: Common Praise #478 - Almighty God, Thy Word Is Cast

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

Sermon

#### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - THE APOSTLES' CREED

Minister: Let us confess the faith of our baptism, as we pray,

All: **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 the saints, the forgiveness of  
sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life  
everlasting. Amen.**

#### INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

**For our families, friends, and neighbours, and for all those  
who are alone.**

For this community, our country, and the world;

**For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

For the just and proper use of your creation;

**For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the  
needy.**

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**For all who proclaim the gospel, and all who seek the truth.**

For our bishop, and for all bishops and other ministers;

**For all who serve God in his Church.**

For our own needs and those of others.

**The people may add their own petitions.**

Hear us, Lord;

**For your mercy is great**

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

We will exalt you, O God our king;

**And praise your name for ever and ever.**

We pray for all those who have died in the peace of Christ, and for  
those whose faith is known to you alone, that they may have a place  
in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;

**Who put their trust in you.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
**in your compassion, forgive us our sins, known and unknown,  
things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit  
that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honour  
and glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Gracious God, you have heard the prayers of your faithful people;  
you know our needs before we ask, and our ignorance in asking.  
Grant our requests as may be best for us.

This we ask in the name of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

#### THE OFFERTORY

Hymn: Mission Praise #266 - I Cannot Tell

Minister: Prayer from Book of Remembrance  
For those who have gone before us and noted in our Book of  
Remembrance we give you thanks. Isabel Verge (June 19)

Minister: For all your gifts O Lord, we give you thanks,  
For the financial offering of your people for the work of  
your church, we give you thanks, for the service of your  
people in workplaces, community organizations and  
our faith community, we give you thanks,  
for all your gifts O Lord, we give you thanks

All: **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Minister: And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold  
To pray,

**Our Father,  
who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us This day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we Forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into Temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

#### DISMISSAL

Minister: The Lord bless us and keep us.  
The Lord make his face shine on us  
and be gracious to us.  
The Lord look upon us with favour and grant us peace.  
Amen.

#### Announcements

Hymn: Common Praise #259 - For the Fruit of All Creation  
Postlude

## Pastoral Care

Community Prayers, we pray for Halifax Brownies and Guides # 36.

Cycle of Prayer for the North End Churches, we pray for St. Mother Teresa roman Catholic church, Fr. Francesco Pirisi,

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for: the Chebucto Region St. Augustine's, Jollimore, The Reverend Jennifer Gosse, Priest-in-Charge and Falkland and Purcell's Cove, The Reverend Helen Ryding, Priest-in-Charge, and David Lyttle St. Philip's, Purcell's Cove St. James', Herring Cove

World:  
The Church of Nigeria

## Outreach Missional Initiatives

### Do you have a new neighbour?

Our Missional Committee has assembled Welcome bags, to be given to people newly moving into the North End. The bags contain various useful items and information, including information about St. Margaret of Scotland church. If you live in the North End and know of someone who has recently moved here, please take a gift bag to them, along with a warm welcome. There is a supply of bags in the cupboard in the coat room at the back of the church, next to the prayer shawls. If you know of a new neighbour but do not wish to deliver a bag to their residence, please inform someone on the Missional Committee (Ted Johnson, Margery Cotterell, Frank Riggs, Victor Day) and we will arrange for someone else to welcome them.

## Spiritual Development

### Compline

Join licensed lay minister-in-training Wynne Whitten-Holmes three times a week for a short evening prayer service from the Book of Common Prayer. You may participate in the service via Zoom, or watch the livestream on the St. Margaret of Scotland Facebook page. Dates: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 9pm

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Meeting ID: 825 8271 4593 / Passcode: 380606

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/StMargofScotHFX/>

### Online Hymn Sing & Coffee Time

St. Margaret parishioners are invited to attend an online all-request hymn sing and coffee time. Please join Rebecca on Zoom to sing songs and socialize. Rebecca will be taking music requests, including hymns, folk songs, and other favourites. You are welcome to invite other friends and family members. Hope to see you there! Bring your own coffee or tea. Date: Wednesday, June 16, 2pm

Zoom: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82582714593?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82582714593?pwd=M0NFbmVJekx0MXUzK0cxaUk4V0dzUT09)  
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**Readings for next week:** The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
1 Samuel 17:(1A, 4-11, 19-23) 32-49; Psalm 9:9-20 OR  
1 Samuel 17:57-18:5, 10-16; PSALM 133; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13;  
Mark 4:35-41

**St. Margaret of Scotland Mission Statement:**

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



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