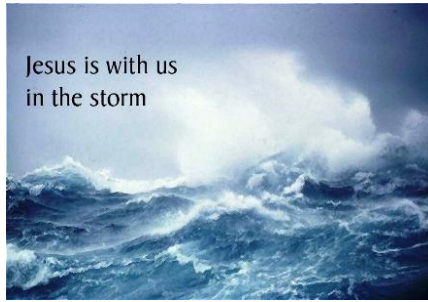


St. Margaret of Scotland Mission Statement:
*To be a Christ-centred, mission minded community,
embracing all people across the spectrum of cultural,
ethnic, gender, sexual orientation, ages and
class diversity as full members of the family of God.*



St. Margaret of Scotland Anglican Church

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

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
July 25, 2021

9:30 am – FAMILY WORSHIP
BOOK OF ALTERNATIVE SERVICES

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Jesus Feeds Five Thousand

A warm welcome to and 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 defense 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

Family Worship
Book of Alternative Services
Lay Minister: Sherry Smith

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome to the Parish of St. Margaret of Scotland in the north end of Halifax. We are blessed as we gather together in community for worship.

We are blessed in our ministry team this morning. We remember families in our Parish Cycle of Prayer, those we have contacted this past week to let them know they are in our thoughts and prayers, we give thanks for Emma Cleveland, Victor & Charlene Day, Brian & Marilyn George

Our Paschal Candle is lit in memory of Robert Pompa, Kenneth Purcell and Muriel Moffat as their families are awaiting a funeral liturgy or internment.

Hymn: Common Praise #430 - Will You come and Follow Me

Greeting of the Community

God is our light and our salvation, and in his name we light these candles. May they remind us of the beauty of his truth and the radiance of his love. May our hearts be open to the light of Christ now and at all times.

Lord, in your mercy, let there be light.

PROCLAMATION

First Reading: 2 Samuel 11:1-15 *Judy Carpenter*

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 14 *Fred Carpenter*

Psalm Response:

The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all.

Outreach Missional Initiatives

Missional Committee: Do you have a new neighbour? 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. Or, inform someone on the Missional Committee (Ted Johnson, Margery Cotterell, Frank Riggs, Victor Day) and we will arrange for someone else to welcome them.

Community Garden Committee: We are looking for volunteers to tend this year's Ward 5 bed. If you enjoy gardening and are interested in a charitable undertaking, Ward 5 is in need of people to help plant and oversee the growing of produce which they can use in the preparation of the many meals they serve to the needy in the north end of St. Margaret of Scotland has always supported Ward 5 in this vital service to those less fortunate and this would be another way for us to show how much we value their work. Please contact Margery Cotterell or Georgia Johnson.

22nd Halifax Scouts. They are looking for new leaders Please contact Steve Terrio @ 902-489-0290 or steveterrio@gmail.com

Discretionary Fund

Special thanks to our parishioners who have donated to our Discretionary Fund over the years.

May - Ward 5 - Special thanks to all who contributed to the silver jar campaign. We raised over \$748.00.

June - St. Georges - Special thanks to all who contributed to the Soup Kitchen Meal. We raised over \$250.00 With costs of \$625.00.

July - We have forwarded \$250.00 to the Mi'kaw Native Friendship Center, for their back to school backpack program.

Pastoral Care

The cycle of Prayer for the North End Churches, we pray for St. Margaret of Scotland Anglican Church, Rev. Marion Conrad interim Priest

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for:

We pray for our primate Right Rev. Linda Nicholls; our Bishop Sandra Fyfe and for the Fort Sackville Region Hatchet Lake and Terence Bay, The Reverend Cheryl Rafuse, Deacon *St. Timothy's, Hatchet Lake, St. Paul's, Terence Bay, Sackville*, The Reverend Ruby Carter, *St. John the Evangelist, Lower Sackville*, Archdeacon Mark Kingsbury and Valerie, The Reverend Faye Forbes, Associate Parish Priest, Timberlea, The Reverend Mark Pretty, *St. Andrew's, Timberlea St. Luke's, Lakeside*. World In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for: The Scottish Episcopal Church.

Serenity Prayer God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.

Spiritual Development

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. Wednesdays at 2pm
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Readings for next week: Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Samuel 11:26-12:13a; Psalm 51:1-13; Ephesians 4:1-16;
John 6:24-35.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21 *Margery Cotterell*
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gradual Hymn: Common Praise #482

Come and Journey with a Saviour

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Holy Gospel: John 6:1-21

The Gospel of Christ.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon *Judy Carpenter*

Prayers of the People & Confession – *Sherry Smith*

Let us pray together to the Lord, saying,
Lord, hear our prayer." **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we thank you for your many gifts to us, for the love which brings us together, for the earth which provides for our needs, for the new life you have given us in Jesus Christ,
Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray to you for our Christian family and for grace to grow in your love. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray to you for our world, for all its cares and needs, and for all who lead us and care for us, **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray to you for those in need, for the sick and the lonely, for the hurt and the frightened, and for those who live without hope. **Lord, hear our prayer**

We pray for those we love who have died, that you will surround them with your care and love **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for one another, asking you to bless us, our friends, and relatives. Bless the places where we work, and bless our home and our life together. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Let us remember before God our selfish ways, the things we have done wrong, the sorrows we have caused, the love we have not shown.

Silence for reflection is kept.

**Most merciful Father,
forgive us our sins against you and against each other.
Strengthen us to overcome our weaknesses, that we
may live in love as you would have us live, for the sake
of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.**

Fill our hearts, O God, with your Holy Spirit that we may go forth this day in peace and joy, serving you eagerly in all we do, for Jesus' sake. **Amen.**

The Peace of the Lord Be always with you
And also with you

Offertory Hymn: Common Praise #647

Spirit of the Living God

Prayer over the Gifts

Book of Remembrance & Memorials

For those who have gone before us and noted in our Book of Remembrance we give you thanks. Sarah Lawrence (July 27), Horatio Beck (July 28), Barbara Green (July 28), Letitia Bowdridge (July 31). 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.

Doxology

**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

**Our Father who art in heaven
Hallowed be thy name
May your kingdom come
May your will be done
On earth as it is in heaven
Give us this day our daily bread
Forgive us our sins As we forgive others
And lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from the evil one
For the kingdom
And the power
And the glory are yours forever. Amen**

Blessings - Life is short and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who walk this way with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind; and the blessing, mercy, and grace of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon us and remain with us always. Amen.

Birthday Prayers for the month of June God our Father, the birth of your Son Jesus Christ brought great joy to Mary and Joseph. We give thanks to you for N, whose birthday we celebrate today. May he/she ever grow in your faith, hope, and love. We ask this in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Anniversary Prayers for the month of June Gracious God, on this our special day we remember with thanksgiving our vows of love and commitment to you and to each other in marriage. We pray for your continued blessing. May we learn from both our joys and sorrows, and discover new riches in our life together in you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Announcements and Mission Minute

Hymn: Common Praise #531

You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord

Postlude