

12th Sunday after Pentecost lead by Father Gordon from the Book of Alternative Services at 10:00am, Sunday, August 11, 2024

Opening Hymn:

#508 - I heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Collect: Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy, and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

A Reading from the Second Book of Samuel: Chapter 18: Verses 5-9, 15, 31-33

The king ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, "Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom." And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. And ten young men, Joab's armour-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him. Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, "Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you." The king said to the Cushite, "Is it well with the young man Absalom?" The Cushite answered, "May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man." The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, "O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!" Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 130



Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice; let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication. R

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, O Lord, who could stand? For there is forgiveness with you; therefore you shall be feared. R

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; in his word is my hope. My soul waits for the Lord, more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning. R

O Israel, wait for the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy; With him there is plenteous redemption, and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins. R

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians: Chapter 4: 25 to Chapter 5: 2

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Hymn:

#49 - Draw Near and Take

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Jesus said to the people, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ**

Offertory Hymn: #645 - Come Down, O Love Divine

Prayer over the Gifts: Father, receive all we offer you this day, and grant that in this eucharist we may be enriched by the gifts of the Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Hymn during Communion: #649 - Breathe on me, Breath of God

Prayer after Communion: Eternal God, grant to your Church the unity and peace that we have tasted in this eucharist, the fruit of your life-giving Spirit. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen

Closing Hymn: #434 - The Love of Jesus Calls Us

Holy Communion Gluten-Free Wafers now available: Gluten-free wafers are available for those who require them. Please speak with the Priest before the Service.

Notices

Holy Eucharist: There will be no Wednesday Eucharist on Wednesday, August 14th.

Outdoor Stations of the Cross: Saturday, August 10th, Yarmouth Lighthouse at 10:30am.

Let me know if you have any questions. Julie Chandler

Spiritual Friendship Study Group: We gather again in the fall to explore how God lives in & through us as we consider the teachings & their application to everyday life. In community, we intentionally consider our lives as Christians through study, meditative prayer and dialogue.

A Call for Bellringers: The bells of Holy Trinity Parish have been ringing out over Yarmouth for over 100 years. We will play them (a Thursday in late August from 6:30-7:30pm) their place in the community. If you or someone you know may be interested, please contact the church office at 902-742-5054 or email at yarmouthtusketooffice@ns.aliantzinc.ca.

Nursing Home Church Services: It is always nice for the nursing home residents to have others join with us in worship. **Everyone is invited to attend** the following - Julie Chandler

August Nursing Home Schedule:

- Yarmouth Heights - Friday, 9th at 10:30am
- The Meadows - Monday, 12th at 3:00pm
- Villa St Joseph - Tuesday, 13th at 10:30am
- Vet's Place - Friday, 16th at 10:30am

Donations:

Pre-Authorized Remittance (PAR): A diocesan direct debit program of automatic monthly bank withdrawals. To apply, go to <https://www.nspeidiocese.ca/resources/pages/par-program>.

Electronic Transfer: We accept e-transfers directly into the Parish bank account at BMO. Please use the office e-mail yarmouthtusketooffice@ns.aliantzinc.ca.

Food Bank: You can make donations to the Food Bank in the cart at the back of the Church. We deliver each week. Cheque donations will be passed along directly to them.

Bottle Exchange: If you have bottles to return to Paper Chase Bottle Exchange at 10 Hardscratch Road, you can support the Church by donating the proceeds: tell them that it is for The Parish of Yarmouth and Tusket.

Update on Fundraising:

Hall and Bake Sale on May 25th raised \$1,520.

Litter Clean on June 8th in Tusket around St. Stephen's Church earned \$400.

Yard Sale Hall Basement on June 29th raised \$855.

Seafest Bell Concerts (July 18th and 25th) raised \$170. in donations

Seafest Tea & Dessert , Church Tour, and Bells: The total is \$1,000 in sales and donations.

Thank you from the Fundraising Team for your support and making it an enormous success and a very enjoyable day.

Fundraising Team Activities: August - December 2024 (Dates May Change)

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| 1. Yard Sale Hall Basement + | Saturday August 25th |
| 2. Yard Sale Hall Basement + | Saturday September 14th |
| 3. Ham Supper | October: More info to follow |
| 4. Yard Sale Hall Basement | Saturday October 26th |
| 5. Angel Fest & Christmas Bake Sale | Saturday November 30th |

We have arranged Church rentals for concerts and other celebrations. We have been arranging Kitchen and Hall Rentals for several activities over the next 3-4 months. including Friends of Jane's Toonie Sales (September 21st and April 5th, 2025).