

21st Sunday after Pentecost lead by Reverend Dr. Phillip Cooper from the Book of Alternative Services at 10:00am, Sunday, October 13, 2024

Opening Hymn:

#399 - Now Thank We All our God

Collect: Almighty God, in our baptism you adopted us for your own. Quicken, we pray, your Spirit within us, that we, being renewed both in body and mind, may worship you in sincerity and truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

A Reading from the Book of Job: Chapter 23: Verses 1-9 & 16-17

Then Job answered: "Today also my complaint is bitter; his hand is heavy despite my groaning. Oh, that I knew where I might find him, that I might come even to his dwelling! I would lay my case before him, and fill my mouth with arguments. I would learn what he would answer me, and understand what he would say to me. Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power? No; but he would give heed to me. There an upright person could reason with him, and I should be acquitted forever by my judge. If I go forward, he is not there; or backward, I cannot perceive him; on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him; I turn to the right, but I cannot see him. God has made my heart faint; the Almighty has terrified me; If only I could vanish in darkness, and thick darkness would cover my face!" Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 22

Refrain: You were my God from my mother's womb.

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress? O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; by night as well, but I find no rest. Yet you are the Holy One, enthroned upon the praises of Israel. **R**

Our forefathers put their trust in you; they trusted, and you delivered them. They cried out to you and were delivered; they trusted in you and were not put to shame. But as for me, I am a worm and no man, scorned by all and despised by the people. **R**

All who see me laugh me to scorn; they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying, "He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; let him rescue him, if he delights in him." **R**

Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, and kept me safe upon my mother's breast. I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb. **R**

Be not far from me, for trouble is near, and there is none to help. Many young bulls encircle me; strong bulls of Bashan surround me. They open wide their jaws at me, like a ravening and a roaring lion. I am poured out like water; all my bones are out of joint; my heart within my breast is melting wax. **R**

My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd; and you have laid me in the dust of the grave. **R**

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews: Chapter 4: Verses 12-16

Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Hymn:

#540 - Just as the Deer

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honour your father and mother.'" He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were greatly astounded and said to one another, "Then who

Notices

Holy Eucharist: There will be a Holy Eucharist on Wednesday, October 16th at 5:30pm.

A Call for Bell Ringers: The bells of Holy Trinity Parish have been ringing out over Yarmouth for over 100 years. We will play them (Thursday, October 24th from 6:30-7:30pm). If you or someone you know may be interested, please contact the church office at 902-742-5054 or email at yarmouthtusketoffice@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 - Julie Chandler

October Nursing Home Schedule:

- Yarmouth Heights - ~~Friday, Oct. 4 at 10:30am~~
- The Meadows - ~~Monday, Oct. 7 at 3:00pm~~
- Villa St Joseph - ~~Wednesday, Oct. 9 at 10:30am~~
- Vet's Place - Friday, Oct. 25 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 yarmouthtusketoffice@ns.aliantzinc.ca.

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.

Celebrating Season of Creation, Thanksgiving Sunday October 13, 2024

Set-up: Saturday Oct. 12th @10:00am Or Sunday Oct. 13th Morning Before the Service

Please help the Altar Guild as we prepare the Church for Thanksgiving Day. We need donations of vegetables, fruit, & can goods. We would like to have enough to decorate the front of the Altar. Please drop off your donations on Saturday morning or bring them in Sunday morning before the Service in a plastic or paper bag. We will set out your donations in front of the Altar. Donations will go to the food bank. For more information, please contact: Faye 902-742-7464 or Shirley 902-881-2090 Thank You for your support The Altar Guild

Spiritual Friendship Study Group: The spiritual friendship group will take a break from meeting while the Making the Shift program is meeting. We will meet again in January. Julie Chandler (902-774-3340) jamesdauntchandler@gmail.com

Fall Planning our Future Sessions: Father Gordon is Organizing Group Sessions to Facilitate Discussion on the Topic "Making the Shift" for our Parish. Each group will have 6-10 members. Please let him know which time you are interested. The sessions will be 1 hour long over 10 weeks as follows:

Group 1: Tuesday at 7:00pm beginning October 15th

Group 2: Wednesday at 3:00pm beginning October 16th

Group 3: Thursday at 6:00pm beginning October 17th

Update on Fundraising:

Pancake Supper held February 14 (\$1,111)

Yard Sales and Bake Sales this year to September 14th (\$4,716)

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

Seafest Tea, Church Tour, & July 18th & 25th Bell Concerts (\$1,170)

Grant to Support Distribution of Furniture & Household Goods to those in need (\$2,500)

Fundraising Activities: October - December 2024 (Dates May Change)

1. Yard Sale Hall Basement (2024 Final) Saturday TBA

2. Angel Fest & Christmas Bake Sale Saturday November 30th

We have Kitchen and Hall Rentals over the next several months, including Cooking Classes (October 19 & 26 and December 30 & 31) and a Friends of Jane's Toonie Sale (April 5th, 2025). We have Church Rentals for concerts (November 29, 2024 & March, 2025) and other celebrations.