

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Sunday, June 17, 2018

4th Sunday after Pentecost – Sacrament of Holy Communion

Welcome in the name of the living God, in the name of the beloved Son Jesus Christ, and in the name of the Spirit who gives us life. If you are a visitor you are invited to sign our guest book.

(** indicates standing, as you are able)

THE APPROACH

Organ Prelude

Entry of Choir and Minister

Welcome and Announcements

****Please rise as the Bible enters the sanctuary**

****Introit** # 575 Lead me, Lord

Lead me, Lord, lead me in your righteousness; make your way plain before my face, for it is you, and you, God only, who makes me dwell in safety.

****Passing of the Peace:** One person: The peace of Christ be with you.

Other person: And also with you!

****Call to Worship**

One: We are invited to feel the welcome we seek,

People: a welcome only God offers us.

One: What we seek we receive today.

People: What we do, we do in love for all.

One: Let us worship today,

People: with love, concern and passion.

****HYMN #337** Eternal, Unchanging, we sing to your praise

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession (unison) **O God of mercy, we know that you are always aware of us and what we do. We know we are on trial, being tested, our conduct under your scrutiny. We confess that our behavior is neither as good nor as bad as it might be. As exiles, we are anxious to leave the testing grounds behind us, to live with you beyond all danger of failure. Forgive us for the sake of Jesus Christ in whose name we pray. Amen**

**Hymn #767 Lord, Speak to me

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Responsive Reading Psalm 92: 1-4, 12-15

One: It is good to give you thanks, O God, to sing praises to your name, O Most High,

People: to tell of your love in the morning, and your faithfulness during the night,

One: with a ten-stringed lute and harp, with voice and lyre together.

People: For you, O God, have made me glad by your work; I shout for joy at the works of your hands.

One: The just shall flourish like the date-palm and increase like the cedars of Lebanon.

People: Planted in God's house, they will flourish in the courts of our God.

One: In old age they still produce fruit, thriving and full of vigour.

People: They will show that God is just; God, our rock, in whom there is no wrong.

Anthem

Old Testament Ezekiel 17: 22-24 pg. 646

Epistle 2 Corinthians 5: 6-10 pg. 881

Gospel Mark 4: 26-34 pg. 767

Leader: The word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon Planting Time!

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

The Offering

Offertory **#798 (verse 4)

This gift we now bring, this present, this token
these words can convey it, the joy of this day!
When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,
this song we now offer in honour and praise!

**Prayer of dedication

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Invitation

** Hymn **#538** You satisfy the hungry heart

** The Apostles' Creed

The institution of the Supper

One: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Prayers and the Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the bread and the raising of the cup

Communion

Prayer

Hymn **#677 My faith looks up to thee

**Commissioning and Benediction

Sending Forth **#766 Amen, amen, amen, amen



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James St. Ushers: Debbie Moser & Fran Savage
Office: Mark Thibeau
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Refreshments: Ethel Porter, Phoebe Fraser & Marilyn
Johnstone



*To-day's bulletin is sponsored in loving
memory of father, Graham Fraser
by Allan, Bev and Karen*

It's hodge-podge Sunday where we're trying to use up all the old bulletin covers, so your cover may not be related to this Sunday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Following the Pictou County Council of Churches prayer roster, we are asked to pray for the congregations of St. George's and St. David's in Toney River and River John.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Readings for June 24: Job 38: 1-11; Psalm 107: 1-3, 23-32; 2 Corinthians 6: 1-13 and Mark 4: 35-41.

June 18 - 6:00 pm - the congregation is invited to attend the Town Council meeting to hear Bruce MacDonald speak on the research he has done on WWI . Part of his presentation is about Pearl Fraser, the 34 year old Nursing Matron who was killed in WWI when the hospital ship she was on was sunk by a German submarine despite flying the Red Cross Flag. One of our stained glass windows is in her memory.

June 19 - 6:00 pm - Presbytery of Pictou meet in Kenzieville, supper at 5 pm.

June 21 at 7:45 pm – Worship & Music Team meets in the Session Room.

June 21 - 10:00 am. Executive meet at 9:00 am. Annual Meeting of the Atlantic Mission Society will be held at Camp Geddie.

June 23 - The Pictou Co. Y's Menettes are holding a yard sale at St. John's Church (High St). from 8-12.

June 29 - Ham and Potato Salad, Take out and Dessert at St. George's Church Hall, 199 Temperance St, 4:00 – 6:00 pm. \$12.50 Tickets available from Parish Members or by calling 902-752-4551.

July 6-8 – East Coast Generous Space Retreat at St. Stephen's University, NB. Learning to love across differences at the intersection of faith, gender and sexuality. Learn more: info @ generousspace.ca

July – Regular worship here at 11:00 am with members from St. Andrew's (Kirk) joining us.

August – Church closed with us joining the Kirk for worship there.

Mission Statement: *But he's already made it plain how to live, what to do, what God is looking for in men and women. It's quite simple. Do what is fair and just to your neighbor, be compassionate and loyal in your love, and don't take yourself too seriously – take God seriously. Micah 6: 8-The Message*

FINANCIAL REPORT TO MAY 31, 2018

Envelope offerings	\$ 46,732
Loose offerings	1,909
Special donations	1,209
Rent & fundraising	<u>3,973</u>

TOTAL INCOME **\$53,823**

Fuel	\$ 10,772
Dues (Synod/Presbytery)	4,062
Manse expenses	1,115
Office expenses	1,153
Miscellaneous	540
Repairs & maintenance	875
Salaries & benefits	42,743
Utilities	<u>1,892</u>

TOTAL EXPENSES **63,152**

NET LOSS **(\$ 9,329)**

If you would like a more detailed report, please drop in to the office and one will be provided to you.