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| ***Worship Calendar***  **Sunday, September 28, Fourth Sunday of Creation, 10:30 a.m.** (Green) **Holy Eucharist** (AG Team 3)  Jeremiah 23: 1 – 3a, 6 – 15 Louise Smith Ps 91: 1 – 6, 14 - 16 1 Timothy 6: 6 – 19 Luke 16: 19 – 31  **Sunday, October 5, Fifth Sunday of Creation, 10:30 a.m.** (Green) **Morning Prayer followed by a Cup O’ Tea in the Parish Hall** (AG Team 1)  Lamentations 1: 1 – 6 Donald Sparkes Ps. 137 2 Timiothy 1: 1 – 14 Rosalind Sparkes  Luke 17: 5 – 10  **Sunday, October 12, Harvest Thanksgiving, 10:30 a.m.** (Green) **Holy Eucharist** (AG Team 2) (EA – Iain Hollett) Presider: The Reverend Emeline Coffin  Deuteronomy 26: 1 – 11 Glenda Tapp Ps 100 Philippians 4: 4 – 9 Gail Trewhitt John 6: 25 – 35 |

**Sunday Bulletins -** If you’d like to give a weekly bulletin to commemorate the life of a loved one or in Thanksgiving for an event in your life, please contact David in the office for the dates available.

**A Note from the Treasurer:** Please ensure your **envelope number** is onall financial **correspondence** so that we can credit your account for income tax purposes.

**Regular Parish Office hours are Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

***Service Roster:*** Sidespersons Sound Room

September 28th Ken C. Bob D.

October 5th David M. Jim S.

October 12th Betty H. Bob D.

October 19th Don S. Andrew B.

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| Bishop: The Right Reverend Dr. Samuel Rose  Diocesan Administrator: The Venerable Charlene Taylor  Rector: The Reverend Canon Josiah “Jotie” Noel, T.S.S.F. (Third Order, Society of St. Francis)  Parish Deacon:  The Reverend Lisa Cox  Organists/Choir Director: Stephanie Gavell, Amanda Dawe-Ledwell  Parish Wardens: Rex Hillier & Donald Sparkes  Office Administrator: David Kelland |

**Welcome to the**

**Parish of St. John The Evangelist**

**Conception Bay South, Newfoundland**

**September 28, 2025**

Fourth Sunday of Creation



This Bulletin is given to the Glory of God

and in Loving Memory of our daughter

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***Our Parish Mission Statement***

***We believe in nurturing a community of faith dedicated to inclusion, support and sharing the story of God's love with all people regardless of the stage of their spiritual journey***

The Parish live-streams our regular Sunday Services and posts to Facebook

In his letter to Timothy about how to live in a difficult, even hostile world, St. Paul urges him to “pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness.” [1 Tim. 6:11]

**The Parish Office will be closed** on Tuesday**, September 30th** for the **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation** and then reopen at 9 AM Wednesday, October 1st

In the context of the **Season of Creation** and the socio-ecological crisis facing life as we know it, Paul would join with us in translating the message of faithful discipleship into a call for integral ecological conversion. That message would say, “You, People of God in today’s world, pursue:

First, A vision and global solidarity that takes in with love and compassion the needs and dynamics of the whole web of life,

Second, A more adequate understanding of the links and destructive dynamics within the complex networks of life that need to be addressed if the human community is to reverse climate change and overproduction and care wisely and sustainably for Creation,

Third, A rejection of consumerism and the compulsive accumulation of goods and wealth,

Fourth, An embrace of simple lifestyles that prioritize and support human dignity and just relationships for ALL,

Fifth, A transformation of the destructive global economy that prioritizes and requires ever-greater material growth and accumulation by the very way it is structured,

Sixth, Ways to overcome the widespread inequality in the human community.”

**For The Beauty of Creation**

*Loving God, Creator of all,*

*we thank you for the beauty of Creation;*

*show us, we pray, how to respect*

*the fragile balance of life.*

*Guide by your wisdom those who have power*

*to care for or to destroy the environment,*

*that by the decisions we make, life may be cherished*

*and a good and fruitful earth be preserved for future*

*generations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (ACC)*

**Prayers for Those in Need** - We invite prayers for those who are sick: Cassidy B., Patricia B., Elaine M., Doug T., Tammy H., Jeanette P., Wally H., Ruby H., Eva B., Scott S., Don M., Colin C., Hilda S., Emily O., Linda Y., Margie T., Gary T., Susan M., Randy S., Gary M., Dennis C., Isla, Dave Y., David O.

**Lasagna Dinner –** A special thanks to all who helped in any way to make our Lasagna Dinner Take Out such a success.

We hope you all enjoyed your delicious meal!

**Parish Home Visits** – Reverend Jotie is ready, willing, and able to visit you in your home. Under the circumstances of time and place, this offer comes with the understanding that he will respond to invitations. Please call him to invite him to visit your home if you wish.

**Prayer Corner** – Please avail of the Prayer Candles and Prayer Net Ribbons as needed. We are open to adding persons to our Parish Prayer List. Please contact the Parish Office or one of the Clergy.

**Harvest Thanksgiving** - On **Saturday, October 11th** the Altar Guild will be decorating for our upcoming Harvest Thanksgiving service on October 12th. If you would like to add a seasonal harvest decoration, it would be gratefully received. Please drop it off at the church on October 12th between 10:00 - 12 noon. And if you would like to help with the decorating, please come along and join us then. Thank you so much.

**Harvest time has arrived**.  WEATHER PERMITTING we will take up the harvest at Sowing Seeds – Growing Community Garden (across from St. Paul's Anglican Church, 202 Main Road, Goulds) on **Tuesday, September 30th**.   In the event of inclement weather, the next alternate day will be Saturday, October 4th.     
  
We will begin at 9 AM.  Please bring appropriate footwear and gloves.  Many hands make light work.   The harvest will be delivered to local food banks and through the Community Food Sharing Association.

***Sunday, September 28, 25, The 16th Sunday After Pentecost***

***Holy Eucharist (B.C.P.)***

Sentence – You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. 2 Corinthians 8.9

**The Gathering of the Community**

Processional Hymn 619 CP *Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of All Nature*

Collect for Purity p. 67

The Great Commandment p. 69

Collect of the Day

**The Proclamation of the Word**

Jeremiah 32: 1 – 3a, 6 – 15 ***Louise Smith***

Psalm 91: 1 – 6, 14 – 16 p. 448

***Refrain Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.***

1 Timothy 6: 6 - 19 ***Gail Trewhitt***

Gradual Hymn 450 CP *You Call Us, Lord, To Be*

Gospel Lesson: Luke 16: 19 - 31

Nicene Creed p. 71

Sermon

**The Celebration of the Eucharist**

*Offertory Sentence*

Offertory Hymn 423 CP *How Great Thou Art*

Prayers For Peace With Creation (reverse)

Invitation - Comfortable Words p. 76-78

Thanksgiving & Consecration p. 78-83

The Peace p. 83

Humble Access - Agnus Dei p. 83-84

The Communion

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

The Lord’s Prayer p. 85

Prayer after Communion p. 85

The Blessing

**Dismissal**

Mission Hymn *Booklet # 8 Trust & Obey*

**Prayers for Peace With Creation**

O Lord, our God, help us to call you in the communion of your Church with one heart and one soul, according to your will.

We pray for your created world. You created the universe and all that lives and exists in it. The earth is filled with your creations. You make the grass, plants, and fruit-bearing trees grow, you feed the birds of the sky, you care for all your creatures on Earth. Out of your love you created human beings, give us the strength to faithfully till and keep your created world according to your will. For Jesus Christ we ask,

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for humanity, for every community, and every person in it. Grant that we may treat our fellow human beings with respect: that we may accept all in their diversity, that we may support and uphold the human dignity of our neighbours. Give us a grateful heart, that we may see ourselves as part of the great and rich whole of which you have created humanity. Grant us understanding, responsible thinking, and valuable work. For Jesus Christ we ask,

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for your Church, that she may be a messenger of life and an agent of your love throughout the world. Instill courage in the hearts of those who follow you, that we may dare to proclaim hope to those who live in fear, encouragement to those who doubt, comfort to those who despair. Give your Church the strength of unity to proclaim your Gospel in word and deed as part of the world in crisis. For Jesus Christ we ask,

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who are sick, destitute, oppressed and vulnerable. We pray for our fellow human beings and for all fellow creatures affected by war, conflict, genocide, and ecocide. Serve justice to those who cry out to you, and to those who have no ability to cry out. Humble our hearts to relate to our fellow creatures in distress as true brothers and sisters. Give us the courage to act on behalf of those who silently endure injustice and guide our steps in the way of righteous and long-lasting peace. Act in our world your life-giving will. We ask for Jesus Christ,

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, grant that the future of the world, of humanity, of the Church and of all people may be in your hands, and that we may live in true hope, justice, and peace for the sake of our living Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**