**Third Sunday of Easter Season April 14th, 2024**

**Parish of St Peter’s, Hackett’s Cove, NS**

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**Proclamation of the Word**

 Acts 3: 12-19

 Psalm 4

 1 John 3: 1-7

 ***Gradual Music***

 Gospel: Luke 24: 36b-48

 Sermon

**Commissioning for Lay Ministries in the Church**

P Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

 we are all baptized by the one Spirit into the one Body,

 and given gifts for a variety of ministries for the common good.

Our purpose today is to recognize and affirm the ministry of the Church and Parish Councils for which these people have offered themselves.

Would all elected members of St Peter’s Church Council stand?

Would all elected members of St Andrew’s Church Council stand?

Would all elected members of St John’s Church Council stand?

Would all elected members of St Peter’s Parish Council stand?

Would all members of various Parish Committees stand?

Is it your will that they fulfill this ministry?

People ***It is.***

***P*** *speaking to the newly elected Councils*

Council Members, you have ben called to do this ministry.

Will you, as long as you are engaged in this work, perform it with care,

to the honour of God and the benefit of the Church?

**Answer. I will.**

Presider *speaking to the congregation*

Will you uphold these people in this service?

***People We will.***

P Let us pray.

 Blessed are you, gracious God, our Creator and Redeemer.

In every age you call people to minister in your name.

May the work of these your servants so build up your church,

that we may faithfully serve you and show your love in all the world.

Blessed are you, O God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

Councillors, the Lord enable and uphold you in this ministry.

**Almighty God, by your grace alone we are accepted and called to your service. Strengthen us by your Holy Spirit and make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Affirmation of Faith** ***CP # 44 I Believe in God Almighty***

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**Blessing**

***Closing Music***

**April Notices**

**Combined Parish & Church Councils Meeting TODAY**

**Sunday, April 14th** after worship: Holy Eucharist and Commissioning of all elected Church & Parish Council Members, followed by potluck lunch worship at St Peter's Church. All who have been elected to positions on Church and/or Parish Council need to be in attendance.

**Bible Study 101**: Letters of the New Testament: Hebrews-

Revelation. Wednesdays, 7-8:30 pm, April 17th, 24th, May 1st, 8th, 15th, & 22nd. Sharing knowledge and experience with lively discussion.  Everyone welcome.

**Choir Practice** Thursdays 1-2 pm. Open to everyone who wants to sing in the choir; please attend practice regularly.

**Card Game**: 3rd Saturday of the month. April 20th at 7 pm.

**Jewelry & Bake Sale:** *In time for Mother’s Day shopping*. Saturday, **May 4th 10 am – 12 noon.** All new jewelry stock plus grab bags. Please drop off baked items 1-4 pm on Friday, May 3rd at St Peter’s Hall.

**Prayer Corner:** Adrianne, Alicia, Allan, Anna, Breayla, Barb, Billy, Carol, Cory, Harold,Kevin, Laura, Lillian, Margaret, Robert, Sandra, Sarah, Trevor, Tom, Wes; and the Family of the late Arthur Flynn. *To add or remove a name, please contact Reverend Margie at 902-823-1085(office) or 902-209-1931(cell).*

**Readings for April 21st:** Acts 4: 5-12; Psalm 23; I John 3:15-24;

 John 10: 11-18

**Stitching**Mondays, 9:30 -12 noon.

**Meditation** Mondays at 12 noon-1 pm.

**April Worship Schedule**

April 14th 10:30 am St Peter’s, Commissioning of Church & Parish Councils with Holy Eucharist, followed by potluck lunch and Combined Councils Meeting

April 21st 10: 30 am St Andrew’s Holy Eucharist BCP

April 28th 10:30 am St Peter’s Holy Eucharist

**May Worship Schedule**

May 5th 10:30 St Peter’s, Battle of the Atlantic

May 12th 10:30 St Andrew’s, Holy Eucharist, BAS

May 19th 10:30 St Andrew’s, Holy eucharist, BCP

May 26th 10:30 St Peter’s, PWRDF guest speaker

**SOARING INTO THE FUTURE**

**Vital Church Maritimes 2024 conference**

**May 9 to May 11 in Truro, NS**

REGISTRATION is OPEN! Early Bird DISCOUNT Rate!

Special Rate for Hotel guest rooms too.

**FUNDING SUPPORT** for Anglicans from PEI and NS.

Keynote speaker ***David Robinson*** guides leaders from **‘What is,’** to **‘What could be’**, on to **‘What will be.’**

REGISTER:   [**https://www.nspeidiocese.ca/pages/vital-church-martimes-2024-conference**](https://www.nspeidiocese.ca/pages/vital-church-martimes-2024-conference)

**FUNERAL MINISTRY TRAINING**

**PRAYERS AT THE TIME OF DEATH**

**and VISITATION PRAYERS**

M**onday, April 15**,2024

**6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.**

PRESENTER:  **The Rev'd. Laurie Omstead**, former hospital chaplain, priest and Interim Director

Re-Imagining Formation/Anglican Accompaniment at AST.

**TOPIC:** **GREEN BURIALS**

**Monday, April 29**

**6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m**.

PRESENTER: **Louisa Horne**, Epilog Transition Services CIC, Halifax. Founder, Transition Specialist, Celebrant, and End-of-Life Doula.

 **REGISTRATION:** [**www.surveymonkey.com/r/GUIDINGLIGHT**](http:// www.surveymonkey.com/r/GUIDINGLIGHT)

**St Margaret's Bay Food Bank**

The following are the items the Food Bank is requesting for the month of April: boxes of children's cereals; children's snacks-granola bars; juice-boxes; applesauce cups; fruit cups: bags of oranges; cans of tomatoes; cans of soup; laundry detergent. Please make sure items are not damaged or past best before date. Thanks

**Volunteer Week April 14th-21st**. Thank a volunteer