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St. John's, Peggy's Cove (1883)

St. Peter's, Hackett's Cove (1870)

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13th September 2020

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost



The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant

Parish of St. Peter's Hackett's Cove
Combined Service, Morning Prayer, BAS
St. Andrew's, Indian Harbour

Opening hymn: CP 381 Praise My Soul the King of Heaven (vs. 1,2,5)
(to sing along please visit our website for music as recorded by Gina)

Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven;
To His feet your tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Evermore His praises sing:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

Praise Him for His grace and favor
To our forebears in distress;
Praise Him still the same for ever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious in His faithfulness.

Angels, help us to adore Him,
You behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him;
Dwellers all in time and space,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.
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Officiant: The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. Psalm 51.18

Officiant: Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy. Let us confess our sins against God our neighbour.

Together: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

The priest: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

Officiant: Lord, open our lips

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant: O God, make speed to save us.

People: O Lord, make haste to help us.

All Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Alleluia!

The Invitatory: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God almighty: O come let us worship.

Venite Psalm 95.1–7: Together: Come, let us sing to the Lord; * let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving * and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God, * and a great king above all gods. In his hand are the caverns of the earth, * and the heights of the hills are his also. The sea is his for he made it, * and his hands have molded the dry land. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, * and kneel before the Lord our maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. * Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

The Proclamation of the Word

First Reading Genesis 50:15-21

Reader: A reading from...

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen

PSALM

Psalm 103:(1-7), 8-13

- 1 [**B**less the LORD, O my soul, ***and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.**
- 2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, ***and forget not all his benefits.**
- 3 He forgives all your sins ***and heals all your infirmities;**
- 4 He redeems your life from the grave ***and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;**
- 5 He satisfies you with good things, ***and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.**
- 6 The LORD executes righteousness ***and judgment for all who are oppressed.**
- 7 He made his ways known to Moses ***and his works to the children of Israel.]**
- 8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, ***slow to anger and of great kindness.**
- 9 He will not always accuse us, ***nor will he keep his anger for ever.**
- 10 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, ***nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.**
- 11 For as the heavens are high above the earth, ***so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.**
- 12 As far as the east is from the west, ***so far has he removed our sins from us.**
- 13 As a father cares for his children, ***so does the LORD care for those who fear him.**

Epistle

Romans 14:1-12

Reader: A reading from...

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen

Gradual Hymn: CP 507 Blest be the Tie that Binds (vs. 1,2,5,6)

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Jesus` love;
The fellowship of Christians minds
Is like to that above.

Before our God`s gracious throne
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts and our cares.

One glorious hope revives
Our courage by the way,
While each in expectation lives
And longs to see the day.

When from all toil and pain
And sin we shall be free,
And perfect love and friendship reign
Through all eternity.

Gospel

Matthew 18:21-35

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to...

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay

his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

Reader: The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection: Reflect on the Gospel several minutes. Did anything stand out for you while you read the Gospel? What does the story have to say to you today?

Offertory Hymn: CP 487 Where Charity and Love Prevail

Where charity and love prevail, there God is ever found;
Brought here together by Christ's love, by love are we thus bound.

With grateful joy and holy fear God's charity we learn;
Let us with heart and mind and strength now love God in return.

Forgive we now each other's faults as we our faults confess;
And let us love each other well in Christians holiness.

Let strife among us be unknown, let all contention cease;
Be his the glory that we seek, be ours his holy peace.

Let us recall that in our midst dwells God's begotten Son;
As members of his body joined, we are in him made one.

Love can exclude no race or creed if honoured be God's name;
Our common life embraces all whose Father is the same.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

(In peace let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”)

For peace from on high and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our bishops, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Elizabeth our Queen, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this city (town, village, etc.), for every city and community, and for those who live in them in faith, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For good weather, and for abundant harvests for all to share, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel by land, water, or air, for the sick and the suffering (especially . . .), for prisoners and captives, and for their safety, health, and salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. For our deliverance from all affliction, strife, and need, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offences, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died (especially . . .), let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

Collect: O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer:

Officiant: Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer for our Parish

Bless guide and direct O Lord, each one of us, that we may be equipped and ready to do Your will for us.

Bless guide and direct our Parish that as a body of believers we may together reflect the light of God in our community.

We give thanks to You Lord for the gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, that He sent to live within us. Help us to rely and trust always in Your Word Lord, to speak afresh to us, equipping us daily to be Your people. Amen

Prayer for St. Peter's Church

Lord we give thanks for the 150 years this Church has been a visible reminder to the community of the presence of God. As we move forward together, we ask for Your continuous blessing and guidance, that our church may continue to serve You our God in the years ahead. Amen

Blessing

Dismissal

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord. People: Thanks be to God

Closing Hymn: CP 505 Be Thou My Vision (vs. 1,2,4)

Be Thou my vision, oh Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord
Thou my great Father, Thine own ma I be
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

High King of heaven, when victory is won,
May I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Sung Blessing

*Go now in peace never be afraid
God will go with you each hour of every day
Go now in faith, steadfast strong and true
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love and show you believe
Reach out to others, so all the world can see.
God will be there, watching from above,
Go Now in Peace, in faith and in love.*

PRAYER CORNER

✠ We pray for **Bill, Tom, Hunter, Breayla, Judy, Carol, Laura, Lillian, Hannah, Harold, Rev. Anna, William and Gregg.** (want to add a name call Rev. Taunya 902-240-7588)

✠ **Parish Sponsor Child:**

Maria Ramona Salinas Almada please pray for Maria & the Almada family.

✠ **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:**

Rawdon, Nova Scotia

Vacant at time of printing

St. Paul's, Centre Rawdon

St. David's, Upper Rawdon

St. James', Gore

St. Stephen's, Stanley

Wilmot, Nova Scotia

The Archdeacon Paul Jennings, and Elizabeth

The Reverend Lynn Uzans, Assistant Priest, and Elmer

Holy Trinity Church, Middleton

All Saints' Church, Kingston

✠ **Anglican-Lutheran Cycle of Prayer for Canada:**

ACC Archbishop Melissa Skelton, people, and clergy of the

Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and Yukon

ELCIC The staff of the British Columbia Synod

✠ **Provincial Care Prayer:**

Diocese of Central Newfoundland, Bishop John Watton

✠ **Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for the Anglican Church of South America

The Most Revd Gregory James Venables –

Presiding Bishop of the Anglican Church of South America & Bishop of Argentina

Weekly Notices / Community Events

News from the Parochial Committee: Following the close of our Parishes' posting for a full-time rector, we did not have a selection of applicants to interview. The Committee consulted with the Diocese and have decided to postpone the hiring process and offer Rev. Taunya Dawson a full-time Priest-in-Charge position for the interim period ending in Jan. 2022. Since Jan. 2021 is right around the corner, the Committee thought it made more sense to take this route as we do not know if, or when, COVID-19 will shut our churches down again. Rev. Taunya has accepted this interim position and the Committee will draft up an offer acceptable to the Diocese and Rev. Taunya. Please be sure to share your best wishes with her and we look forward to beginning the process of re-opening our churches for worship.

News from Parish Council Meeting: At the most recent Sept. 9th meeting, the council decided to begin the process of re-opening of our church buildings under the direction of Rev. Taunya. Our first in-person services will be held Sept. 20th with a 9:00 am at St. Andrew's and a 10:30 am at St. Peter's. It has been decided that if the children return, there will be Sunday school as well. (Fingers crossed.) Please remember that social distancing and masks are mandatory and help with wiping down high-touch surfaces will be needed. In the coming days, Rev. Taunya & the Spiritual Development Committee will be putting together a service schedule as well as a newsletter to be mailed out.

Next Parish Council Meeting: The next Council meeting will be on Monday October 17th at 7 pm at St. Peter's Church and Zoom capability will be offered for anyone unable to attend in person. Please contact Fred Dolbel, 902-823-1144, to arrange a meeting invite.

Back to School reminder: The children of St. Margaret's Bay, and all the surrounding communities, have now returned to school. With all the excitement of seeing friends and teachers again, the kids are sometimes distracted. Please drive with the utmost caution all along your route as the children will surely have their focus on many things and not necessarily on safety. Please adjust your speed in these areas and be mindful when approaching school buses, whether picking up or dropping off students (in all directions), in the weeks ahead.

Our Daily Bread Devotional: The Oct. – Dec. booklets have arrived. If you would like a copy, please give Rev. Taunya, 902-240-7588, a call to see where books will be made available for pick up.

Treasurer Vacancy St. Peter's Church & Parish: At the Sept. 9th Council meeting, David Huggins advised that he & Judy will be leaving the Parish (moving back to Ontario). This leaves a vacancy in St. Peter's Church and in the Parish. We need to recruit an interim Treasurer as quickly as possible as their move is slated in six weeks' time. The Treasurer's position will be filled at the annual meeting in February. We Thank David for his contribution to our Parish over the past few months and wish both David and Judy all the best with their relocation to Ontario.

Reusable Face Masks With face masks now mandatory in indoor public spaces in Nova Scotia, Bay Seniors is making its washable, reusable fabric face masks available for public purchase.

Cost is \$5 for an adult's mask and \$3 for a child's mask. Bay Seniors face masks are available to buy at the Community Enterprise Centre, 5229 St. Margaret's Bay Road, weekdays from 10 am - 4 pm.

St. Peter's Parish, Wednesday Study/Fellowship Nights: On September 16th, 7 pm, fellowship nights will return to our Parish. All are invited on Facebook or e-mail for a discussion of the Sunday, September 20th, RCL Gospel and other readings. Mid-week prayers will be posted on Facebook and YouTube.

Pastoral Care: If you know of a parishioner who requires pastoral care, please contact Rev. Taunya, 902-240-7588.

Food Bank: SEPTEMBER'S MONTHLY ITEM – recess snacks. With church resuming, let's put **recess snacks** on the list of essentials. We will, of course, accept all donations as there is sure to be a need during these difficult times.



Next week Services:

In Person Services resume next week
September 20th
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

St. Andrew`s Church

9:00 am

St. Peter`s Church

10:30 am (with Sunday school)

Next week's Readings:

Jonah 3:10 4:11

Psalm 145:1-8

Philippians 1:21-30

Matthew 20:1-16