

Graeme, Helen, Irene, James, Jean, Jason, Jeremy, Joanne, John, Josh, Katherine, Kevin, Lawrence, Lewis, Linda, Marg, May Izabella, Melba, Melissa, Nadine, Pauline, Peter, Reg, Robert, Russel, Steven and I ask you to add aloud or in silence the names of those on your hearts and minds \_\_\_\_\_  
(allow a few moments silence.) Alleluia! Sing to God a new song...

**Sing praise in the congregation of the faithful.**

**Reader:** Let your people be joyful and give thanks that plans are in place for our children to return to their school. Let your blessing be upon students, teachers, staff and custodians that they may be safe as school resumes, and may Covid-19 not enter into the Schools. Alleluia! Sing to God a new song...

**Sing praise in the congregation of the faithful.**

**Reader:** Gracious God, we sing our songs of thanksgiving to you for all the blessings of this life, especially for all those people working to improve Literacy at home and abroad. Alleluia! Sing to God a new song...

**Sing praise in the congregation of the faithful.**

**Reader:** Eternal God, remember before you those who have entered into your heavenly feast, We remember those who have died, especially those who have died from Covid-19, and those on our hearts and minds: \_\_\_\_\_(a moment of silence), Alleluia! Sing to God a new song...

**Sing praise in the congregation of the faithful.**

**Layreader:** *Open our eyes, dear God, to see that the night is far gone and the day is close, that your salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers: Clothe us with the armour of light, that we may put on the Lord Jesus Christ and live in his love through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

*Prayers of the people adapted from those written by the Rev. Lowell Grisham, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church Fayetteville, AR*

## **NOTICES**

- **Bulletin.** If you wish to add or change things in the bulletin, please email the Rector, prior to end of day, Wednesday at [frdblack@gmail.com](mailto:frdblack@gmail.com)
- **Food Bank** deliveries: (14 Sept) Holy Trinity; (21 Sept) St John's.; (28 Sept) St Mark's
- Find this week's **Diocesan e-News** at <http://anglican.nb.ca/wp/enews/> Find **Diocesan forth coming events** at <http://anglican.nb.ca/wp/enews/upcoming-events/>
- For information on the **Anglican Fellowship of Prayer**, please contact Debbie Edmondson at [debbie.edmondson@anglican.nb.ca](mailto:debbie.edmondson@anglican.nb.ca) or for resources at [anglicanprayer.org/](http://anglicanprayer.org/)
- **Who may receive Communion?** All baptized followers of Jesus, who receive communion in their own tradition are most welcomed to come forward and share with us in the body and blood of Christ through the elements of bread and wine.
- **Vestry Meeting rescheduled** to Wed, Sept 9 at 7 pm at the Parish Centre
- **St Mark's Annual Memorial Service**, September 27 at 3:00 pm.

# THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF RICHMOND

14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, September 6, 2020

## **Opening Sentence**

God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted us with the message of reconciliation. *2 Corinthians 5.19*

## **Collect of the Day**

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

## **Prayer over the Gifts**

Great and holy God, accept our offering of labour and love. May we bring you true and spiritual worship and be one with you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.**Amen.**

## **Prayer after Communion**

God of our pilgrimage, we have found the living water. Refresh and sustain us as we go forth on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

## **Readings**

### **Old Testament Reading: Exodus 12:1-14**

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall



We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) and Mi'kmaq Peoples.

celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

### **Psalm 149** *Cantate Domino*

Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song; \*

**sing the praises of God in the congregation of the faithful.**

Let Israel rejoice in their maker; \*

**let the children of Zion be joyful in their sovereign.**

Let them praise the name of the Lord in the dance; \*

**let them sing praise to God with timbrel and harp.**

For the Lord takes pleasure in this people \*

*and adorns the poor with victory.*

Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; \*

**let them be joyful on their beds.**

Let the praises of God be in their throat \*

**and a two-edged sword in their hand;**

to wreak vengeance on the nations \*

**and punishment on the peoples;**

to bind their rulers in chains \*

**and their nobles with links of iron;**

to inflict on them the judgement decreed; \*

**this is glory for all God's faithful people. Hallelujah!**

**Accept our praise, God of justice, defender of the oppressed. Give us grace to join in this your holy work, that all the world may see your glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **Epistle:** *Romans 13:8-14*

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

### **The Gospel:** *John 4:5-42*

'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I

tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

## **Prayers of the People**

**Layreader:** *God our Sustainer, you have promised that whenever two or three are gathered in your name, you are among us: Unite your Church as we bring our prayers to you. As we pray our response will be: Alleluia! Sing to God a new song...*

**Sing praise in the congregation of the faithful.**

**Reader:** Gracious God, you have gathered your Church under Christ's command that we love one another: Loose your people from all misunderstanding that leads to conflict and bind us with the ties of mutual regard for the sake of your Son Jesus. In the Church, we pray for Thabo & the Anglican Church of Southern Africa; Linda & the Anglican Church of Canada; Lydia and Isaiah & for the Northern Manitoba Area Mission; Geoffrey & the Diocese of Eastern Newfoundland and Labrador; Matthias & our Companion Diocese of Ho; Lesley & the Diocese of Yukon; David our archbishop, Claude, William and George, retired bishops, and the Diocese of Fredericton; the Parish of Richmond & all who minister here; and Gordon Thompson. Alleluia! Sing to God a new song...

**Sing praise in the congregation of the faithful.**

**Reader:** Almighty God, you call our nation and the leaders of the world to fulfill your law by loving our neighbour as our selves: Give courage to the powerful to lay aside the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, that they may mediate your peace and love. In the World, we pray for Canada and Syria, Afghanistan, Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of Congo, China, Hong Kong, Lebanon, Myanmar, South Sudan, Mexico, Somalia, Turkey, United States and wherever there is war and unrest, and the spreading of the Covid-19 Virus. Alleluia! Sing to God a new song...

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**Reader:** Loving God, you bring the oppressed into freedom and work for the liberation of all: Hear the cries of all who suffer and lead them to a place of feasting and celebration for the day of their deliverance. Alleluia! Sing to God a new song...

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**Reader:** Uniting God, you call us to reconciliation and peace within our community, and you command us to love one another: Let your graciousness dwell in this community, that we may live honourably and generously. In our faith community, we pray for: all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week: Birthdays: Irene Parkinson, Ken Tompkins, Rhonda Foster, Jason Gould. Alleluia! Sing to God a new song...

**Sing praise in the congregation of the faithful.**

**Reader:** Compassionate God, you invite our neighbours into the circle of your divine love: Hear our prayers for those who are near and far, especially for those infected with the Covid-19 virus, and for Barbara, Billie, Carolyn, Cathy, Cole, Connie, Corinne, Danielle, Doreen, Frankie, Freda, Gary, Glenn...