

# St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church

*(Congregation established 1913)*

**August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Eleventh Sunday after Trinity**

O GOD, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **TODAY AT ST. MARY'S**

**We wish a warm welcome** especially to those who are praying with us for the first time; your presence is a blessing! If you would like to identify yourself, or would like know more about our ministry and mission, please speak to one of the greeters and ask for a welcome card which you may complete and place in the offering plate.

**Flowers on the Altar** In memory of my father Lloyd, mother Maud, and brother Jim, by Pat S

**Nursery** for infants & toddlers is available in the Good Shepherd Nursery. Leader: Yvonne S-S

**Children's Program:** For Children 3 and older. Cruising with Paul. Today's lesson – Macedonia: Here we hear about the generosity of the Christians in Macedonia. Bible Passage: 2 Corinthians 8:1-5, 10-14. Workshop: Mission Station: Learn about a local mission project. Learn that God wants us to give out of love for Him and for others and realize that God cares less about the amount that we give, and cares more about WHY we give and HOW we give. Leaders: Lyndon L, Starr D.

**August Birthdays Today** we are celebrating August Birthdays, Baptism and Wedding Anniversaries.

**Lemonade and Finger Food Lunch Following the service,** please join us for lemonade and finger food and birthday cake on the lawn. Hosts: Yvonne and Christian S

## **THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S**

**Summer Salad Pot Luck and Gospel Study** takes place this Wednesday at St. Mary's Anglican Church. Carol M will be leading.

**Next Sunday.**

9:40 am Morning Prayer  
10:30 am Holy Communion

## MORNING PRAYER AT NINE- FORTY

Prayer Book, pp.6-5, Psalm66, 67; Judges 11.1-11, 29-40; 2 Corinthians 11.21b-31

## HOLY COMMUNION AT HALF-PAST TEN

Opening Hymn: # 7 New Every Morning Is the Love

The Lord's Prayer

Collect for Purity

*(Prayer Book p. 67)*

Summary of the Law, Lord. Have Mercy

*(Prayer Book p. 69, 70)*

Collect for the Day

Prayer with the Children

Lesson: 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33 R/ **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 34:1-8 page: 369

Epistle: Ephesians 4:25-5:2

R/ **Thanks be to God**

Gradual: # 447 Lord, We Hear Your Word with Gladness

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (Chap 6, verses 35, 41-51)

**R: Glory be to thee, O Lord**

**R: Praise be to Thee, O Christ**

Sermon

Nicene Creed

*(Prayer Book p. 71)*

Intercessions

Let us pray to the Lord

**Lord have mercy**

We commit ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ our God

**To you, O Lord**

Offertory Hymn: # 352 Amazing Grace

*The people of St. Mary's have the privilege of being part of and supporting the ministry of Jesus Christ and His Church through weekly financial offerings. If you are visiting here today, you are welcome to make a contribution, but please do not feel under any obligation to do so.*

Invitation, Confession and Absolution

*(Prayer Book p. 76, 77)*

Great Thanksgiving, Peace, Prayer of Humble Access

The Communion

+ *All baptized Christians who have prepared themselves are invited to come forward with faith and love to receive Holy Communion.*

+ *If you prefer to receive a blessing, please indicate this by crossing your arms over your chest.*

+ *For health reasons, dipping the bread in the wine is not permitted. If you require gluten-free wafer, please indicate this at the time of receiving.*

Hymn after Communion: # 54 Bread of the World, in Mercy Broken

Lord's Prayer

Thanksgiving after Communion

*(Prayer Book p. 85, 86)*

Gloria

Announcements

Dismissal      **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Hymn: # 374 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

*\* Please observe a moment for silent prayer\**

## PARISH LIFE NOTES

**Pastoral Care Notes.** For crisis, emergency, and hospital care, during the Rector's vacation in August, please call the Chaplaincy cell phone at 306-535-3115. Bereavements are in the care of Revd. Deacon Arleen Champion who can be reached at 306-631-1001.

**Rector's vacation.** Claude will be on vacation for the month of August returning on Sept. 5. Our thanks to Revd. Nathaniel Deng for officiating in his absence.

**Children's Summer Program for 2018, from July 1 to September 2,** for ages 3 – 13. Cruising with Paul. Anyone interested in leading or helping out on a Sunday morning see sign-up sheet on the landing or speak to Sandra or Norma.

**Kitchen maintenance ministry** -Part of our mission as Disciples of Christ is to engage in hospitality to strangers and to each other. The upper hall kitchen is the hub of much of this activity. In order to make this a viable option, we have invited the parish family into sharing in the cleaning of the kitchen on a regular basis, so that it is a welcoming place for us and our community members. If you feel called to join in this ministry, please sign up on the sheet inside the kitchen.

**The St. Cuthbert's regional team,** along with the Wardens from each of the nine congregations in our region, are attempting to discern the future of the Anglican Church in the city of Regina. We have formed two prayer groups, each of whom will meet briefly every month to provide prayer support for this process. You are welcome to attend either one. Our next meetings will be Monday, August 13 at 1:00 pm or 6:30 pm at All Saints, Regina, 142 Massey Road. Please use the parking lot door on the back (West) side of the building. Questions can be directed to Kate B.

**SAVE the DATE:** Yes thanks to the folks at Edencare Communities, the RSO Chamber Players and Organist Valerie Hall will be performing together again in support of Edencare's Music in the Community program. "Make A Joyful Noise..." will be presented on Fri 14 September at 7.30 in the church. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the hall. See you there.

**Follow St. Mary's on Facebook** for photos, updates and information on upcoming events - find us at

<https://www.facebook.com/StMarysAnglicanChurchFamilyMinistry/>. If you have information or photo's that should appear on our Facebook page, please talk to Karen J-L about getting these posted!

## THE WORD OF THE LORD: TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

### **FIRST READING:** 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

The king commanded Joab, Abishai and Ittai, "Be gentle with the young man Absalom for my sake." And all the troops heard the king giving orders concerning Absalom to each of the commanders. David's army marched out of the city to fight Israel, and the battle took place in the forest of Ephraim. There Israel's troops were routed by David's men, and the casualties that day were great—twenty thousand men. The battle spread out over the whole countryside, and the forest swallowed up more men that day than the sword. Now Absalom happened to meet David's men. He was riding his mule, and as the mule went under the thick branches of a large oak, Absalom's hair got caught in the tree. He was left hanging in midair, while the mule he was riding kept on going. And ten of Joab's armor-bearers surrounded Absalom, struck him and killed him. Then the Cushite arrived and said, "My lord the king, hear the good news! The Lord has vindicated you today by delivering you from the hand of all who rose up against you." The king asked the Cushite, "Is the young man Absalom safe?" The Cushite replied, "May the enemies of my lord the king and all who rise up to harm you be like that young man." The king was shaken. He went up to the room over the gateway and wept. As he went, he said: "O my son Absalom! My son, my son Absalom! If only I had died instead of you—O Absalom, my son, my son!"

### **SECOND READING:** Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Therefore, putting away falsehood, let every one speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and give no opportunity to the devil. Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his hands, so that he may be able to give to those in need. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for edifying, as fits the occasion, that it may impart grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, in whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

### **GOSPEL:** John 6: 35, 41-51

Response before the Gospel: **Glory be to thee, O Lord**

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the

Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

Response following the Gospel: **Praise be to thee, O Christ**