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8:30 a.m. Holy Communion
10:00 a.m. Sunday School, Coffee Hour
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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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Collect of the Day

Lord God our redeemer, who heard the cry of your people and sent your servant Moses to lead them out of slavery, free us from the tyranny of sin and death, and by the leading of your Spirit bring us to our promised land; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from the Book of Joel. (2:23-32)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

PSALM 65

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A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy. (4:6-8, 16-18)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

GRADUAL HYMN 3 “Morning Has Broken”

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Reader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke. (18:9-14)

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE READING

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HYMN 256 “Yours the Hand That Made Creation”

SERMON

HYMN 656 “She Comes Sailing on the Wind”

The Intercessions

When we recognise our dependence on God we will approach him with true humility and accept his gifts with joy.

Let us pray to the God who made us and sustains us.

Look with mercy on your Church,
with all our faults and failings,
missed opportunities and misunderstandings,
as we learn to be truly your body on earth.

God of our making:
have mercy on us.

We lay before you the political issues,
the moral dilemmas and the dreams of peace
that concern our world,
and all who share its resources.
Where we can see no clear way forward
give us your vision and enable us
to be good stewards of all you provide.

God of our making:
have mercy on us.

We ask you to take all our relationships
and drench them in your transforming love,
so that we appreciate one another more,
and value what each has to offer.

God of our making;
have mercy on us.

Surround with comfort and reassurance
those who feel spiritually dried-up
or emotionally drained;
heal and mend broken bodies and broken hearts,
and provide clear pools of water for those
who are walking the valley of misery and depression.

God of our making:
have mercy on us.

Gather into your kingdom
those who have run the race
and fought the good fight,
and have mercy on all who are at the point of death.

God of our making:
have mercy on us.

We give you thanks and praise
for the wideness of your mercy,
and the personal attention
of your provision for us.

Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN 371 “To God Be the Glory”

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

God of constant love, you have guided your people in all times and ages. May we who offer you our praise today always be ready to follow where you lead; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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The Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Communion

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[The Eucharist is a joyful celebration of our life together in Jesus Christ. All communicant members of other Churches are welcome to make their communion with us. The people's response to receiving the bread and the wine is "Amen".]

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION:

553 "Ubi Caritas et Amor"

74 "For the Bread Which We Have Broken"

Prayer after Communion

God our guide, you have fed us with bread from heaven as you fed the people of Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all our days; we ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Blessing and Dismissal

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CLOSING HYMN 393 "Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise"

TODAY

7:00 pm - St. Monica's ACW, Multipurpose Room

THIS WEEK

Monday, October 24th

2:00 pm - St. Martha's, Multipurpose Room

Wednesday, October 25th

10:30 a.m. - Bible Study

Thursday, October 27th

6:30 p.m. - Choir Practice

Sunday, October 30th

8:30 a.m. - Holy Communion

10:00 a.m. - Sunday School, Coffee Hour

11:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist

A Needle Pulling Thread

Cumberland County Museum Presents and exhibit of needle work by local crafts persons from our region. Items from the 1800's to present day. Exhibit runs from October 12 to November 5. Cumberland County Museum, 150 Church St., Amherst, NS Tuesday to Friday 9 am - 5 pm.

Music at Trinity

Oliver Jones Concert is set to take place at the Trinity St. Stephen's United Church on Saturday, November 12 at 7:30 pm. Tickets \$25 available at the church office or at the door.

Christmas Cheer Program

Believe it or not it is time to start preparing for the Christmas Cheer Program.

As in past years Christ Church is responsible for preparing approximately 55 boxes to help assist those in need in our community. Approximately 410 boxes were distributed in 2015. We are expecting the need to be as great this year. Each week you are encouraged to bring in the items listed so that when the boxes are ready to be filled we will have the supplies necessary to fill them. Monetary donations are also very much appreciated as we have turkeys, fresh vegetables, milk, bread, fruit, eggs, etc. to buy. Receipts will be given.

Next Week - Sunday, October 30th - Please Bring:

- * Apple Juice
- * Cereal

Why not adopt a box as a family? Cost of a box is approximately \$85.00. Receipts will be given.

CYCLE OF PRAYER

New Germany, Nova Scotia:

- The Rev. Stephen Kristenson, Priest-in-Charge
- The Rev. Catherine Robar, Associate Priest and Foard

St. Martin's, Western Shore, Nova Scotia

- The Rev. Peter Rafuse and Mary
- The Rev. Ronald Barkhouse, Associate Priest and Peggy

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- Bishop David Edwards

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Sunday School Co-ordinator: Marilyn Hawkes

A Prayer for the Parish

O God, our heavenly Father, bestow upon our parish the rich blessings of your loving kindness that we may prove ourselves a people of your favour and glad to do your will.

Make us alive to all the opportunities of our time.

Keep us open to all who need our love and fellowship and inspire us with a vision of a world won for Jesus our Lord.

Amen.