

*Third Sunday
of Easter
April 15th, 2018*

**CHRIST CHURCH
Amherst, N. S.**

3rd Sunday of Easter

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8:30 a.m. - Holy Communion
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School, Coffee Hour
11:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy) p. 186

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Collect of the Day

O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from the Book of Acts.(3 : 12 - 19)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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A Reading from the First Letter of John. (3 : 1 - 7)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN # 209 - "Walk Softly in Springtime"

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. (24 : 36b - 48)

People: **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

THE READING

Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

HYMN # 382 - "Praise to the Lord"

SERMON

**HYMN #14 - CC Song Book -
"Jesus, What A Beautiful Name"**

The Creed

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The Intercessions

Having redeemed us by his death, Jesus can offer us the forgiveness of our sin which sets us free to live.

May God be glorified now, as we commit ourselves to the work of prayer, interceding for those in all kinds of need.

In our worship, and our openness to the Spirit of life, in the Church's longing and outreach, in the priests, the people, in all seekers and honest doubter,

in all this:

may God be glorified.

In the welfare programmes and peace-making missions, in the struggle to uphold justice, in the aid given to the hungry and homeless,

in all this:

may God be glorified.

In the loving and costly commitment of mothers and fathers, brothers and sisters, daughters and sons, in the determination to forgive and be forgiven, in all the lives shared and cherished,

in all this:

may God be glorified.

In the work of nursing, comforting and healing, in the daily patient struggle with pain and weakness, and in the practical, good-humoured caring,

in all this:

may God be glorified.

In the twilight years and the facing of death, in lives well lived and now breaking into eternity,

in all this:

may God be glorified.

In the freedom offered through forgiveness, in the joy of Resurrection life, in the hope of eternity,

in all this:

may God be glorified.

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

Confession and Absolution

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The Peace

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**OFFERTORY HYMN # 485 - “Love Divine, All Loves
Excelling”**

THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Creator of all, you wash away our sins in water, you give us new birth by the Spirit, and redeem us in the blood of Christ. As we celebrate the resurrection, renew your gift of life within us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen 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 p. 213

Holy Eucharist is a joyful celebration of our life together in Jesus Christ. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion here. The response to receiving the bread and wine is 'Amen'. If you would like to come forward and receive a blessing instead of the bread and wine, please cross your arms as you come to the rail.

HYMNS DURING COMMUNION:

386 - "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

60 - " I Come with Joy"

Prayer after Communion

Author of life divine, in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord. Feed us always in these mysteries, that we may show your glory to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Doxology

**Glory to God,
whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more
than we can ask or imagine. Glory to God from
generation to generation, in the Church and in Christ
Jesus, for ever and ever. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Blessing and Dismissal

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**CLOSING HYMN # 300 - "Christ Is Made the Sure
Foundation"**

Cycle of Prayer - April 15, 2018

Tangier, Nova Scotia

The Reverend Lorraine Otto

Holy Trinity, Tangier

St. James', Spry Bay

St. Andrew's, Spry Harbour

St. Thomas', Mooseland

St. Paul's, Mushaboom

St. Peter's, Murphy Cove

St. Michael's and All Angels, Sheet Harbour

Retired Clergy of Eastern Shore Region:

The Reverend Pamela Bishop and Bill

The Reverend Kathleen Knott

The Reverend Katherine Tait

The Reverend Tricia Ingram and Dave

Widows of Eastern Shore Region:

Mrs. Bernice Logan

Mrs. Sandra Wagner

THIS WEEK

TODAY

7:00 p.m. - St. Monica's Meeting

Wednesday, April 18th

10:30 a.m. - Bible Study

Thursday, April 19th

6:30 p.m.- Choir Practice

Saturday, April 21st

5:30 p.m. - Spaghetti Supper (ONE SITTING ONLY)

Adults - \$12.00 / Children under 12 - \$6.00

Preschoolers eat **FREE**

Tickets are available at the Church Office or
call (902) 667-2415 (Only 100 tickets to be sold)

Sunday, April 22nd

8:30 a.m. - Holy Communion

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

11:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist

Tuesday, April 24th

7:00 p.m. - Regional Council - at Christ Church, Lantz, NS

Saturday, April 28th

5:00 p.m. - Senior's Dinner - 5:00 p.m.

Theme - "Flowers, Flowers, Flowers"

Sunday, April 29th

9:00 a.m. - Men's Breakfast

10:00 a.m. - Combined Church Service

Monday, April 30th

7:00 p.m. - Parish Council

Forward Day By Day

Daily Bible readings for May, June and July are available at the back of the church. Cost is only \$1.50.

VOLUNTEER FOOD HANDLERS COURSE

Friday, May 4th, 2018 - 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

@ Parish of Christ Church, Amherst, NS

(downstairs in the Parish Hall)

No Charge

If you are interested in taking the Food Handlers Course, please sign up by Sunday, April 22nd, 2018.

Sign-up Sheet is in the narthex -
or call the office at (902) 667-2415



Tell about a time when your faith in Christ prompted you to do something that was difficult.



Share a story from your life where you were most faithful to following Christ's message.



Share a story about a time God helped you to change your mind.



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