

### Weekly Reflections

*"The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own..." - ACTS 4:32*

All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your talents, your abilities and your money – these are all gifts from God! We aren't really owners of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has blessed us with.

*That we may learn to see all of our blessings as abundant gifts from God so that we may use them for the benefit of all God's people.*



### Sunday April 15, 2018 Services

8am	Morning Prayer	Christ Church	Lay Readers
9:15am	HE BAS	St. Bees'	Rev. Sinclair
11:15am	Morning Prayer	Christ Church	Lay Readers
11:15am	HE BAS	St. James'	Rev. Sinclair

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### *The Anglican Churches of Pictou County* *Sunday April 8, 2018*

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 4:32-35

Psalm 133

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: John 1:1-2:2

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Collect: Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Prayer over the Gifts God of grace, you have freed us from our sins and made us a kingdom in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Accept all we offer you this day, and strengthen us in the new life you have given us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer after Communion: Father, we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the bread of life. Strengthen our faith that we may grow in love for you and for each other; through Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen



*Anglican Cycle of Prayer:* The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean The Most Revd James Richard Wong Yin Song Archbishop, Province of Indian Ocean & Bishop of the Seychelles  
*Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:* Seaforth, Nova Scotia  
*Provincial Cycle of Prayer:* not available at this time

**Pictou County Council of Churches:** Bethel Presbyterian, Pictou Landing  
**ACW Prayer Partner Ministry:** We pray for St. Andrews', Cole Harbour  
**Parish Prayer Cycle:** Pray for St. Bees' and Don & Lucy Stuart, Stephen Sutherland, Phillip Sutherland, Vernon & Jaye Talbot, Steven Taylor, Judith Taylor, Nancy Terris, Phillip Thomas, Ina Thompson, Ruth Toole, Vernon & Janet Turple, Marlene Wells, Clifford White, Fern White, Rev. Bill & Martha White, Pat Wilson, Joyce Wright, Julie Wynands

*Parish Prayer List*

Bob Austin	Karen Jeffery	Muriel Jackson	Kerstin
Ruth Myles	Dagmar Hubley	Gordon Clarke	Erma Chenell
Laura Kelly	Rev Bill White	Bill Colbourne	Lisa
Carvell Riley	Debbie Haley	Dianne Hardy	Carla Bate
Cheryl Lynds	Evan Crowe	Mary MacKeigan	Brian Kelly
Nancy Marcott	Martha White	Lillian Jewers	Donnie MacDonald
Amanda, Davis,	Robyn	Bruce Heighton	Neil MacDonald

Leonard Marcipont

*Memorials*

*Christ Church*

In Loving Memory of **Doug Austin** given by wife Judy & family  
 In Loving Memory of father **Angus MacKeigan** given by daughter June Connors

*St. James'*

In Loving Memory of **Dianne Reynell** given by Sybil Smith  
 In Loving Memory of **Dianne Reynell** given by Libby Crowe  
 Flowers have been place in the church in loving memory of **departed loved ones** form Dianne Hardy & family

*Church Announcements*

ACPC Council will be held at 7pm at St. Bees' on Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>  
 A **Bible and Brew** get together will happen at Fat Tony's, Pictou on Wednesday April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Everyone Welcome.  
 Saturday April 14<sup>th</sup> at 2pm at Christ Church please plan to attend the movie "RISEN" This is the epic Biblical story of the Resurrection, as told through the eyes of a non-believer. Clavius (Joseph Fiennes), a powerful Roman military tribune, and his aide, Lucius (Tom Felton), are tasked with solving the mystery of what happened to Jesus (referred to by the Hebrew name Yeshua in the film) in the weeks following the crucifixion, in order to disprove the rumors of a risen Messiah and prevent an uprising in Jerusalem. All are welcome, no charge.  
 ACPC Combined Church Service Sunday April 29<sup>th</sup> at Christ Church 11am with fellowship following

Grief Share meetings will start on Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6:30pm at Christ Church. There are losses in life that you might be experiencing, a loss of a job, loss of a loved one, a pet, or have an empty nest. There are many types of grief and let this be a time of healing, sharing, and listening. You do not have to go through the grieving process alone. Everyone is welcome and is free of charge.

**Please note Rev. Darlene will be on vacation starting April 14<sup>th</sup> and will return April 23<sup>rd</sup>. With ACPC** being such a large church family, Rev. Darlene is unable to be at every church every Sunday. If you know of anyone who is in need of pastoral care please let Rev. Darlene know. You can always call 902-921-1100 and leave a message.

*St. Bees'*

Card Socials: Every Friday evening, beginning at 7:30pm  
 Food Bank donations will be collected every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month.

*St. James'*

Food Bank Donations collected the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month.  
 Coffee Hour will take place after the 11:15am Service on the first Sunday of the month.

*Christ Church  
 Christ Church Financials*

	Income	Expenses	Difference
Feb. 2018	\$ 3,613.00	\$5,465.01	\$(1,852.01)
Year to Date	\$21,226.90	\$16,106.28	\$5,120.62

Notice: On the 1st Sunday each month please bring in items for donation to the Food Bank.

**Christ Church Baked Beans & Fish Cake Supper Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup> 4-6pm \$10/adults \$6/children take out available.**

*Community Events*

**Sharon St. John United Church Steward's Tea** Sat. April 21 from 11am to 1pm. There will be sandwiches and sweets. There will also be a raffle for a kitchen/preserve basket.