

THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER

TRINITY

September 2, 2018

God is love; O come, let us worship!

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer:

✠ Psalm 119 parts 7 & 8 | Jeremiah 31:27-34 | St. Luke 6:39-end

9:00 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist

Introit: Psalm 84:1-4:	page 437
The Gloria:	page 86
The Collect:	page 239
The Old Testament Reading:	2 Kings 5.9-16
Psalm 84:8-13:	page 438
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The Homily	
The Prayers of the People:	L: Lord, in your mercy; C: Hear our prayer
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9:45 a.m. – Time with Fr. Stockall

10:30 a.m. – The Holy Eucharist

♪ PROCESSIONAL HYMN:	369 (Redhead No. 46)
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♪ GRADUAL HYMN:	378 (Dix 184)
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♪ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:	Alleluia
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♪ OFFERTORY HYMN:	297 (Hermas)
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♪ HYMN DURING COMMUNION:	221 (Unde et Memores)
Post-Communion Prayer:	page 85
♪ RECESSIONAL HYMN:	407 (St. Bernard)

*Please join us in the Parish Hall
following the 10:30 Celebration for
Coffee & Conversation.*



From the Rector _____

The lepers stood at a distance because that's what the Law required of them. Because of their disease, they were cut off from their family and friends; from their community; from the temple and the synagogue as well.

The lepers cried out for mercy; that's all. They weren't concerned about fairness and equality. They didn't make excuses or point to the failings of others in order to justify themselves. What they needed was mercy.

And, that is what you and I need as well, now, and always. You and I need,

now and always, the grace, mercy, love, compassion, and forgiveness of Jesus, for you and I share the brokenness of all humanity: in so many different ways cut off from our families, from our friends, and from our communities; whether through fear or resentment; whether through self-consumption or disinterest.

Like the Good Samaritan in last Sunday's Gospel, Jesus didn't hesitate to help. But He didn't heal them on the spot, as he did in so many other cases. He sent them to the priests. Their healing did not come instantaneously, but it came through their faith and trust in His Word, and their obedience, the very same faith that the Syrian commander Naaman, in this morning's Old Testament Lesson, initially failed to show when told by Elisha to go wash in the Jordan River. They did as Jesus commanded. They set out for the temple to show themselves to the priests; and, as they went in faith and trust, doing what He had commanded, each one of them was healed along the way.

So, in the end, Jesus didn't just heal their bodies. He restored them to their families, to their communities, to their Church, and to their God. Jesus changed them. No longer were they isolated, cut off, and alone, but they were part of a family and a community.

But we are reminded this morning that Jesus has freed us so that we can live freely without fear as part of a family, a community, His body the Church. Jesus has freed us to live, not for ourselves alone, but for Him and for our neighbours, with no sense of loss or inequity or unfairness.

In the Sacrament of Baptism you were cleansed and made whole; you were brought by the Holy Spirit into the Body of Christ and by Grace you were made one in Jesus Christ. And, here in the Church your new life is cared for and protected, sustained and equipped. Here in the Church you are fed with the fruit of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; fed with the Body and Blood of the same Christ in whom you now live.

Your great High Priest Christ Jesus is present here and now, in Word and Sacrament, to cleanse you anew; to nourish, strengthen, protect, and keep you in faith, that you may resist the temptations and desires of our dark and broken world; that you might continue to walk by the Spirit in faith. He has heard your cry for mercy, and He mercifully forgives you and keeps you.

“Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

Gratitude is the last powerful light that drives away the darkness.

Wilma Derksen, *The Way of Letting Go*.

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How does God want us to express thanksgiving? In prayer and praise, of course. But actually He needs nothing of us – and our fellow creatures do. The way God wants us to express our thankfulness is to repeat the act. He has met us where we are; he wants us to meet others where they are. He has taken the hurt out of our lives; He wants us busy taking the hurt out of other people's lives. He has accepted the unacceptable; he wants us to do the same thing.

James A. Pike, *A New Look at Preaching*

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Parish Notices and Updates

NEWS! NEWS! NEWS! STARTING NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH, we invite all young people and their families to join us each Sunday morning, from approximately 9:45 and continuing until about 10:20, for an exciting, fun, and informative programme of Christian Education. Janice offers an interesting mix of crafts and instruction to help our young people to grow in their faith and to engage the Scriptures. Plan to join us as often as you can; and please invite your friends to come along as well. Everyone is welcome! *And anyone who would like to share in this wonderful and rewarding ministry is encouraged to speak to the Rector.*

✧ *And, while the children are learning in one part of the Parish Hall, all adults are invited to a conversation each Sunday with the Rector on matters of faith and life. Bring your thoughts and questions!*

PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR NEXT MONTHLY SHARED MEAL, which normally would fall today, is being moved one week later to avoid falling on the Labour Day weekend. So please plan to join us next *Sunday, September 9th,* immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Celebration for our next Shared Meal.

ST. MARY'S BRANCH OF ANGLICAN CHURCH WOMEN will be meeting on *Monday, September 10th,* beginning with lunch at the north side Pizza Delight at 12:00 noon followed by a business meeting at the Parish Hall. The women of St. Mary's are warmly invited to join them. For more information please speak to Doreen Lawrence at 458-5402 or the Rector.

LIKE TO SING ALONG TO THE RADIO??? Enjoy singing to your heart's content in the shower???. Are hymns some of your favourite things to sing???. Then you just may be a prime candidate for the Parish Choir!!! **Weekly Choir Practices will be starting on Wednesday, September 12th at 7:45 p.m.** and we'd like to invite all enthusiastic choristers to come out. We gather each week to share the gifts that God has given us to praise Him in word and song; and we have a fun time too! *And please note, we plan on returning to practicing on Sundays after the Thanksgiving weekend.* Please speak to the Rector if you're interested!

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ST. MARY'S 2ND FALL FAIR on *Sunday, September 30th* immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Celebration of the Holy Eucharist. We had a great time last year with lots of fun; and we're again planning to enjoy some delicious homemade chili together. There will be games and crafts and prizes, and more! If you wish, bring along your favourite apple or pumpkin dessert; but, otherwise, lunch is on us. So plan to join us on the 30th for food and fun for all ages!

WANT TO SIGN UP FOR OUR DIOCESAN WEEKLY ENEWS to keep up on all the happenings and news of the diocese? It couldn't be easier. Visit anglican.nb.ca and scroll to the bottom of the page.

GREENER VILLAGE, FREDERICTON'S FOOD BANK, has posted the following as their current wish list. If you can supply any of these items, please drop them in the basket in the Narthex and we'll see that they get to the Food Bank as soon as possible.

Food Hamper: Elbow Macaroni; Rice; Juice (1 L); Canned Tuna

Baby: Diapers - all sizes; Baby Formula

Client Choice: Condiments (any); Dish Soap; Laundry Soap; Jam; Coffee

Bulk: Rice; Lentils; Dry Beans

Hygiene: Toothpaste; Toothbrushes; Soap; Shampoo

And don't forget that at this time of year, donations of school supplies are much appreciated. For more information on the many programmes offered at Greener Village and how you might support their work, go to: <http://www.greenvillage.org/>



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SEPTEMBER 5: TRINITY FERIA

6:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer

7:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

SEPTEMBER 6: TRINITY FERIA

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

Followed by time for personal prayer in the Church

11:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist, *Eden Retirement Home*

SEPTEMBER 8: THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

4:30 p.m. – Evening Prayer

5:00 p.m. – Holy Eucharist

SEPTEMBER 9: THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8:30 a.m. – Morning Prayer

9:00 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m. – Holy Eucharist

Followed by a Shared Meal in the Parish Hall



Cover art: Healing of the ten lepers. JESUS MAFA is a response to the New Testament readings from the Lectionary by a Christian community in Cameroon, Africa. Each of the readings were selected and adapted to dramatic interpretation by the community members. Photographs of their interpretations were made, and these were then transcribed to paintings. 1973