

This Week at St. John's

Office Hours: Mon-Fri; 8:00am – 2:30pm

Monday	8:00am-5:00pm	Gym Reserved for Pickleball
	6:00pm	Cubs in Gym
Tuesday	8:30am	Martha's Pantry
	1:00pm	Ladies' Bible Study
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Wednesday	9:00am	Prayer Meeting
	10:00am	Holy Eucharist & Bible Study
	2:00pm	Under the Tent Ministry
	2:00pm	Lenten Study Group
	7:00pm	"Remember When" Group
	7:00pm	Lenten Study Group
Thursday	8:00am	Community Food Smart
	6:00pm	Beavers/Scouts in Gym
Friday	6:00pm	Scouts Sleepover
Saturday	10:00am	Genealogy Group Meeting

Contact Information

Honorary Assistants:	Rev. Canon Bruce McKenna Rev. David Peer Rev. Canon Keith Osborne
Wardens:	Bill MacKenzie and Nancy Stephens
Treasurer:	Ben Mersereau
Custodian:	Darrell Jones
Parish Administrator:	Josh McDorman (506-458-9411) (SJEChurch75@gmail.com)

Please contact Josh at the Church Office if you need to connect with someone.

Community Food Smart Program

Pick-up Date for March: March 13th

(This week!)

Order Date for April: April 3rd (by noon)

Martha's Pantry

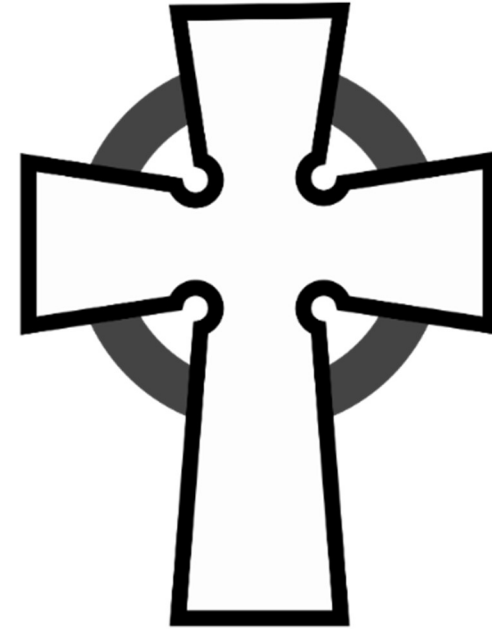
Martha's Pantry operates every second and fourth Tuesday of each month, from 8:30am until 10:00am.



We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) and Mi'kmaq Peoples.

St. John the Evangelist Church

www.75mainstreet.org
(March 9th, 2025)



First Sunday in Lent

Holy Eucharist: 8:30am and 10:30am

Officiant: Rev. Canon Keith Osborne

Worship Leader: Alexa Trusiak

We shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.

Matthew 4.4

Collect

Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin, give us grace to discipline ourselves in submission to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

This Week's Service

First Sunday in Lent; March 9th, 2025

Officiant: Rev. Canon Keith Osborne
Lay Reader 8:30am: Eva Morton
Lay Reader 10:30am: Dennis Williams
Worship Leader: Alexa Trusiak
8:30am Streaming: Nancy Stephens
10:30am Audio/Video: Eva Morton
Prayer Corner: Bruce McKenna and Steve Hart
Counters/Greeters: Donna Price and Jeanne Sayre
Chancel Guild: Marjorie Boone and Carol Sue Nielsen

Opening Hymn: *Here I Am To Worship*
First Reading: *Deuteronomy 26:1-11*
Psalm: *Psalms 91:1-2, 9-16 (p. 448 BCP)*
Second Reading: *Romans 10:8b-13*
Gradual Hymn: *Forty Days And Forty Nights*
Gospel: *Luke 4:1-13*
Sermon: Rev. Canon Keith Osborne
Offertory Hymn: *Amazing Grace*
Hymns During Holy Communion: *It Is Well With My Soul*
We Walk By Faith
Because He Lives
Closing Hymn:

Next Week's Services

Second Sunday in Lent; March 16th, 2025

Officiant: Rev. David Peer
Lay Reader 8:30am: Ben Mersereau
Lay Reader 10:30am: Bill MacKenzie
Worship Leader: Joan Pain
8:30am Streaming: Josh McDorman
10:30am Audio/Video: Minna Harjupanula
Prayer Corner: Keith Osborne and Dennis Williams
Counters/Greeters: Laurel Lawrence and Steve Hart
Chancel Guild: Marjorie Boone and Carol Sue Nielsen

Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18
Psalms 27
(p. 360 BCP)

Philippians 3:17-4:1
Luke 13:31-35

Parish Intercessions

Joe and Lynda Wood, Jack and Fran Demmons, Betsy and Jim O'Donnell, Kristell Unick, Llewellyn Brewer, Loretta Doak, Jackie Spencer, Irene Adams, Trevor Price, Dylan and Sophia Barton, Robee Titus, Jeannie Donald, Carol Gourley, Clark and Pat Wilcox, Leona O'Donnell, Donna and Arnold Bartley, Betty Clowater, Carolyn Scott, Miriam Laskey, Cynthia, Elijah, Roger Stephens, Colton Burns, Daphne Curtis, Terry Munn, Kitty Donelan, Brian Jones, Gerry Stone, Susan, Lera Beers, Jean and Harold Essensa, Harold Rice, Ruby McNeil, Adam Reid, Christina Ballard, Dianna Lyons, Mabel Ferris, Doug Nason.

Intercessions for the Church

Anglican Church of Canada, the Most Rev Anne Germond, Acting Primate. Ecclesiastical Province of the Northern Lights, Archbishop Gregory Kerr-Wilson and the Provincial Council. Diocese of Ho, Bishop Matthias. Diocese of Yukon, Bishop Lesley Wheeler-Dame, Telegraph Creek (BC): St. Aidan. Archbishop David, retired bishop William and their families.

For our Missionaries at home and abroad: Kara and Nelson Mejia in Roatan, Honduras; Paul Jeffries in Uganda; Terrance and Jasmin Chandra in Saint John; Under the Tent Ministry, Martha's Pantry; Erin Rideout, Cpt. Bonnie Hunt, and the Inner City Youth Ministry.

Prayer for Discernment

The Parish Advisory Committee invites the congregation to pray faithfully for the process of selecting a new Rector:

Father, we give you thanks for your many blessings here at St. John's. We especially thank you for the faithful ministry of our honorary assistants, David, Bruce, and Keith. We ask that you bless them and speak to us through them. We continue to wait on you for a new rector for our parish. Please guide the Archbishop and the Parish Advisory Committee to the one of your choosing – a faithful servant who will nurture us in our faith and lead us according to your purposes. This we humbly ask in the Name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lenten Book Study

Practicing the Way by John Mark Comer

The first meeting of the 2PM and 7PM Lenten Book Study Groups is set for this Wednesday, March 12th.

Books are available at major retailers. If you need assistance in ordering or paying for a book, contact the Church Office and we can help!

The book is recommended for the study, but not required.

A free course guide is also available electronically for any who would find it helpful – your Group Leader or the Church Office can provide you with a PDF.

Upcoming Session: March 12, 2025 – Following Jesus

Following Jesus is more than going to church or believing the right things; it is practicing a way of life. The meaning of ‘follow Jesus’ is rooted in first-century practices of rabbis and apprentices, practices that inform our understanding of how to follow Jesus today.

Preparation: Practicing the Way pages 1-31 (Apprentice to Jesus)

Practice: Develop a daily time and place to connect with God.

Women’s Brunch

Save the date!

We will be holding a Women’s Brunch here at St. John’s Church on Saturday, March 22nd from 10AM until Noon.

Guest speaker information to follow.

If you are interested in attending, please sign up on the sheet on the side table so that we can plan accordingly.

We hope you can join us for this time of fellowship in Christ!

Anyone for Pickleball?

Pickleball has arrived at St. John’s Church!

The court will be available on Mondays only from 8:00am – 5:00pm.

Details: \$12.50 an hour for the court; must wear indoor sneakers.

First dibs will go to our congregation.

If you would like to sign up or have any questions, please contact Ruby McNeil:

Home – 506-457-1830

Cell – 709-730-6328

Lenten/Easter Sowers

Lenten/Easter Sowers are now available!

Pick up yours on the side table.

May God bless you this Lent – and always!

NB Power Energy Saving Kits

Energy saving kits are available in the Church Office during the week.

These kits are free of charge and contain several lightbulbs, faucet upgrades, and even a surge protector to help reduce your energy usage. Recipients are required to leave their name and email address for NB Power – you may receive a survey regarding the kit.

Summary of Treasurer's Report from February 23rd Annual Meeting

Below is a summary of the 2024 year-end results and 2025 budget that were presented at the Annual Meeting on February 23rd.

2024 Results

- **\$29,190** surplus (adjusted for building transfers)
- **\$233,315** unrestricted offerings (3.1% decrease from 2023)
- Salaries **\$43,016** under budget (Rector savings)
- **\$138,874** ending bank balance
- 75 Main Street Maintenance and Improvement Fund established (**\$73,584** ending balance)
- New roof for Stone Church completed
- **\$501,120** in long-term investments

2025 Results

- **\$19,639** budgeted surplus
- Assume full-time rector by July 2025
- **\$233,000** offerings target
(no change from 2024 actual offerings)
- **\$246,461** in budgeted total expenses
- **3.1%** staff salary increase; budgeted for full-time Office Administrator hours starting in March

Please contact Ben Mersereau (bdmersereau@gmail.com or 506-457-0558) if you have any questions or concerns.