



**Thursday, July 11, 2024**

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**St Mary & St Bartholomew's Anglican Church**

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***Seventh Sunday after Trinity  
Sunday, July 14, 2024***

**9:00 am  
Traditional Service of  
Holy Communion**

**Officiant:  
Rev. Canon Wally Corey**



**Sunday Services**

**9:00 am**

**Traditional Holy Communion  
(will not be live-streamed)**

**11:00 am**

**Contemporary Worship**

**11:00 am**  
**Service of Morning Prayer**

**The Message:**



**Mark 6: 14-29**

**Mr. Jacob Rowe**



**Pastor's Perspective**

### **The Problem of Pride**

There is a pastor who was once a professor--a very creative professor at Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, Mississippi. One day he had the responsibility of leading the chapel service. Most preachers would prepare for chapel messages by Bible study and prayer. This professor, however, prepared by not only those essential undertakings, but he went further. He built a chair to be used as a word picture. It was an oversized chair. Not just a big chair to watch football in, but a big chair that was a caricature of a big chair!



**This Week at SMSB Church**

**Wednesday, July 17**

**9:30 am Holy Communion**

**4:30 pm Food for Life**

**6:30 pm Evangelism Team  
Planning Meeting**

**Saturday, July 20**

**4:30 pm Saturday Supper**

***Eighth Sunday after Trinity***

**Sunday, July 21**

**9:00 am Traditional  
Holy Communion**

**11:00 am Contemporary  
Service of Morning Prayer**

The day came for the chapel service. When it was time for the sermon to be preached, the professor climbed into the chair, and then turned around and situated himself. His feet dangled off of the chair and he kicked them back and forth. Then he said, "Soon many of you will be pastors. You will get to sit in the big chair. You will begin to feel like the king." He went on to show that a pastor who does that looks as foolish as he does.

He then pressed the point that Christ gave us another model, the model of a non-self-centered life – that to walk the Christian life we must never exalt ourselves but, quite the opposite in the words of our metaphor, “come down off of the chair.”

St. Augustine once said, “It was pride that changed angels into devils; it is humility that makes men angels.”

In this age that seems to be not only okay with pride but more than that flaunts it, we as followers of Jesus, striving to live in loving obedience to His Word, must never forget the clear teaching of the Scriptures - that the way of pride is a cardinal sin that leads to death, while the way of humility leads to life.

The fear of the Lord is hatred of evil.  
Pride and arrogance and the way of evil  
and perverted speech I hate. Proverbs 8: 13 ESV

For the LORD of hosts has a day against all that  
is proud and lofty, against all that is lifted up--and  
it shall be brought low; Isaiah 2:12 ESV

But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, "God  
opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble." James 4:6 ESV

Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but  
also to the interests of others. Have this mind among  
yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though  
he was in the form of God, did not count equality with  
God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by  
taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness  
of men. And being found in human form, he humbled

himself by becoming obedient to the point of death,  
even death on a cross. Philippians 2:4-8 ESV

By God's grace, may the longing of our hearts be humility, not  
pride.

Yours in Christ,

Greg +



## MISSION CENTRE SUMMER BBQ



### PLANNING MEETING

SMSB's Evangelism Team is spearheading a new  
outreach initiative and they need your help.

A Planning Meeting will be held **this Wednesday (July  
17th) at 6:30 pm**

Please give this some prayerful thought and consider  
assisting with this new outreach.

## MISSION CENTRE SUMMER BBQ

We need your help to make this happen. Do you like to meet new people? Do you also like to BBQ? **Join us at the Mission Centre from 11:30-1:30 pm on six Fridays, starting July 26.**

Also, needed are donations of hot dogs, water, lemonade, chips, paper cups, napkins, condiments, and funds for purchase of buns. Mark monetary donations "*Mission Centre BBQ.*"

For more information speak to Rod Anderson or Rev. Ann Fairweather.



### **Grief Support Group**

The next group sessions will begin  
**Wednesday, September 11**  
**6:30 pm**

Help and encouragement after the death of  
a spouse, child, family member or friend,  
whether it be recent or years ago.

Grief Share is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one. Our group is led by a Stephen Leader - caring people who have experienced grief and want to help you through the difficult days ahead.

We know it hurts and we want to help.

**You may join us at any time. Contact us for more information or to register:**

[www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org)

or contact Karen Vandebroek (506-696-2033).



## **What is a Stephen Minister?**

Stephen Ministers are lay congregation members trained to provide one-to-one care to those experiencing a difficult time in life, such as grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness. Stephen Ministers share a passion for bringing Christ's love and care to people during a time of need.

Stephen Minister training is a Christ-centered experience that equips participants with essential caring and relating skills. Trainees learn how to listen to, care for, and walk with those going through difficult times in life. Stephen Ministers are trained by their congregation's Stephen Leaders using resources from Stephen Ministries St. Louis. The training they receive equips them to provide high-quality care to people who are hurting.

**We plan to start a Stephen Ministry course this October. If you sense that God might be calling you to serve as a Stephen Minister, the first step is to talk with Rev. Greg or one of your Stephen Leaders (Janet Williston, Karen Vandebroek or Carol Anne Foster).**

**Candidates will be expected to go through a discernment process with the Rector and a Stephen Leader.**

**Godly Play Core Training for  
Storytellers and Doorpersons  
Oct 18-19 and Nov 15-16  
Sackville NB**



**A workshop to empower and inspire. We will explore Godly Play as a creative approach to nurturing children's faith. Training is offered in modules over two weekends: Friday pm to Saturday pm.**

Are you are looking for ways to engage in a deeper way with both the children and adults within your churches? Consider a Godly Play approach to Christian formation amongst your Church Family.

This training includes the art of Christian language in parables, sacred stories, liturgical actions and silence. It highlights creating sacred space, supporting children's spirituality and community.

Godly Play values process, openness, discovery, community, and relationships. Together we will explore the principles and practices of Godly Play including plenary sessions on the Godly Play Environment, the Spirituality of the Child, and the Community of Children. Participants experience telling stories and receiving supportive feedback.

**For more information, check out: <https://godlyplaymaritimes.com> or speak to Karen Vandebroek 506-696-2033.**

**We welcome participants new to Godly Play and experienced Storytellers and Doorpersons who want to refresh their leadership skills.**

*Maritime Godly Play Trainers: Jenny Eisner, Paige Fraser, Cathy Laskey, Anne Pirie*

## ***"Building Community Together"***

### **The SMSB Mission Centre**



**If giving by offering envelope, please indicate "Mission Centre" on the 'Other' line of the envelope.**

Otherwise, if indicated on the Mission line, your offering will be recorded to that fund. If you have any questions about this, please contact the office (506-696-1347).

For more information on the SMSB Mission Centre, please visit our website at: <http://smsbmissioncentre.com> or visit the Facebook page: SMSB Mission Centre.



## **How Do We Give When We're Not in Church?**

There are options.



1. **To begin (or modify) E-Offering.** Choose weekly or monthly giving. The amount or frequency can change with a quick message or phone call to our Church Secretary, who will provide you with options on how to start this method of giving.

2. **Interac E-Transfer - via email: [smsb.church@bellaliant.com](mailto:smsb.church@bellaliant.com).** Please make a note when you send your etransfer if you wish to have your donation sent to a specific fund.

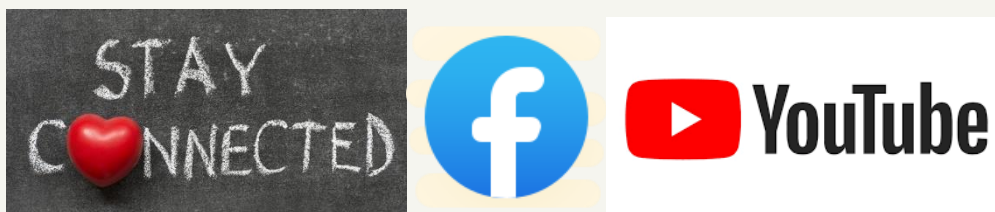
3. **Pay Pal via our Church Website** - An easy, safe and secure method of giving is available through our church website via *Pay Pal*. Log into the website: [www.smsbchurch.com](http://www.smsbchurch.com). Go to the bottom of the home page, to the link 'Donate' and follow the instructions for Pay Pal.

4. **Hand deliver or surface mail** your offering to the Church Office, 646 Westmorland Road, Saint John NB E2J 2H4. Mail will be picked up each day.

5. **Point of Sale** - Donations may be made on Sundays prior to each service. Also, the church office will be open Monday to Friday (9 am-1 pm) for anyone who wishes to make a donation during the week.

We want to do everything we can to make consistent giving as easy as possible. Contact the Office (506) 696-1347 if you have a question.

**Thank you so much for your tithes and offerings.**



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### **Weekly E-News**

We hope you enjoy receiving your weekly E-News in your email. For full details on announcements and upcoming events, please refer to your weekly E-News (emailed on Thursdays). If anyone who does not have access to the internet and would like a copy, please let us know so we may drop one off to you.

If you would like to begin receiving the E-News electronically, please give your email address to the office 506-696-1347 or [smsb.church@bellaliant.com](mailto:smsb.church@bellaliant.com).

### **Communications**

Submissions for the E-News and other publications or requests of communication during services can be sent to Communications Officer Harold McInnis by writing or by email: [hmcinnis44@gmail.com](mailto:hmcinnis44@gmail.com) or phone 506-696-2159 by Wednesday at noon.

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