

**10:00 Holy Baptism and Eucharist BAS Second Sunday of Easter**

**Licensed Lay Minister:** Jean Stratford

**Opening Hymn – He is Lord**

Gathering of the Community

**Collect of the Day:** 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**

**The Proclamation of the Word:**

Acts 4: 32-35 (Darrell Feltmate)

Psalm 133

1 John 1:1 – 2:2 (Mary Feltmate)

**Gradual Hymn – Without Seeing You**

**Gospel:** John 20: 19-31 (Faye Kennedy)

Homily – Joan MacDonald

Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

**Amelia Anne Pierce**

Prayers of the People

The Celebration of Baptism

**Song – In God's Circle of Love**

The Peace

**Offering Hymn – Thine is the Glory**

**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**

Celebration of the Eucharist #4

Sanctus

The Lord's Prayer

Breaking of the Bread #8

**Lamb of God**

**Communion Hymn – I am the Bread of Life**

**Ablution Hymn – Jesus, thou Joy of Loving Hearts**

**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**

Doxology

Blessing

**Recessional Hymn – Good Christians all Rejoice and Sing**

Dismissal

**Music – Let There be Love**



**Chancel Guild:** Kim Benedict, Natasha Bejarano, Leona Hunt

**Greeters:** Mary Feltmate, Walter Spears, Clifford Holder, Cory Lunn, Mary Wolfe

**Altar flowers** have been placed in loving memory of my wife Doris and departed family members from Walter Spears.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Tues., Apr. 9<sup>th</sup>** – Property 7:00 p.m.

**Weds., Apr. 10<sup>th</sup>** – Finance 1:00 p.m.

Choir 6:30 p.m.

**Fri., Apr. 12<sup>th</sup>** – Meditation 10:00 a.m.

Lectionary Bible Study 11:00 a.m.

**Next Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>** – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. Holy Communion BCP 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist BAS

10:00 a.m. Sunday School

Today we welcome into the family of God by the sacrament of Baptism, **Amelia Anne Pierce**, daughter of Natalie and Kenneth Pierce.

Join us for **Coffee Hour** in the upper hall after the worship today. Our next Coffee Hour date will be May 5<sup>th</sup>.

If you know of anyone who wishes Easter **communion at home** in the coming weeks, please speak to Rev. Lori.

**Sunday School** dates for the winter/spring term: Apr. 14<sup>th</sup>, Apr. 28<sup>th</sup>, May 12<sup>th</sup>, May 26<sup>th</sup>.

Next **8:00 Holy Communion (BCP)** service will be held on Apr. 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Common Cup:** As part of our cautionary approach in dealing with Covid 19 and other communicable illness, we continue to offer two options for the receiving of communion wine: the common cup and a second cup from which a medicine dropper is used to place wine upon the host. You are invited to make the choice that is best for you and cross to the appropriate chalice after receiving the host. **Note:** Dipping of the wafer (intinction) is not permitted in the common cup.

## Today kicks off our Water of Life Project for 2024!

In the weeks to come, you will hear more about this well-creating and water improving program. Again this year, we partner with Lifewater Canada, social community groups, schools and individuals around Colchester County as they help us to dig wells in Africa and Haiti.

We're very proud of this St. John's created and led initiative in our community. We encourage you to support this important, life saving and life changing project and also to inform and encourage your friends, family and co-workers to get involved.

**The Water of Life Project was formed in September 2003. Its mission: to create a "caring community working together to raise funds to drill wells giving life and hope to African communities."**

**In the 20 years since then, we have been involved in several projects – we have raised sufficient funds to dig wells, repaired many broken pumps and supported health clinics for villages receiving a well. Over 46,000 people now have access to safe drinking water because of our efforts since 2003.**

Ways you can give:

1. Put money in the jar.
2. Make a cheque out to Lifewater Canada. A receipt will be sent to you from Lifewater Canada.
3. Donate online using this URL:

**[www.canadahelps.org/en/pages/water-of-life-project](http://www.canadahelps.org/en/pages/water-of-life-project)**

When you have completed your donation you can immediately print your tax receipt. Your donation will go directly to Lifewater Canada for our project.

Our next **parish book club** meeting will be held **Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>** after worship. The book for discussion will be The Salt Path by Raynor Wynn. All are welcome to join us in the parish hall meeting room for the discussion.

**Looking Ahead:** Mark your calendars for **Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>** for an informal **Coffee House** in the parish hall, sponsored by your Parish Council. We are looking for presenters – music, recitation, dance, whatever you would like to share. Entrance by free will donation. Proceeds will go to help those suffering in the housing crisis. Join us for coffee/tea, goodies and a chance to relax and socialize together!

Our parish office is open Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.



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## April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Second Sunday of Easter

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Rector: Rev'd Lori Ramsey



Wardens: Neil Harris and Hazel Sherren

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