

KNOX FLOS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcomes you to Worship

*Please stand if you are able.

NOV. 25, 2018

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

INVITATION TO WORSHIP:

L: Lead us, O Lord, in your righteousness, make straight your way before us.

C: Teach us, O Lord, to walk in your paths and surround us with your favour as with a shield.

L: Reveal to us, O LORD, your precepts for they are right, giving joy to the heart and light to the eyes.

C: Instill within us the fear of the Lord, for it is pure, and endures forever.

L: Clothe us, O Lord, in your righteousness so that we may stand in your presence unashamed.

C: Gather us, O Lord, in your righteous so that we may take refuge in you as we praise your name!

*HYMN: 412 Come, let us sing

PRAYER OF APPROACH, CONFESSION & LORD'S PRAYER: (unison)

God of goodness and mercy, of gentleness and kindness, of righteousness and faithfulness; renew us and transform us by your steadfast love as we gather in your name. Take us beyond the confines of familiar habits and free us to love you whole heartedly. Reveal yourself to us in this sacred hour so that we may taste and see that you are good.

Lord Jesus Christ, as your followers we are called to be people shaped by your ethical and selfless life; one that is so much at odds with the accepted lifestyles of today. We confess how easy it is to be drawn into these worldly lifestyles and we need your constant help to make our behaviour consistent with yours. Forgive us when our words have been less than truthful. Forgive us for using anger to

manipulate and to control. Forgive us when our actions have lacked integrity. Forgive us when our words have been thoughtless and hurtful. Renew us with your Spirit so that our words and actions may bring you pleasure and not pain. This we ask as we pray... *Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.*

PARDON & PEACE:

L: Brothers and Sisters; we are enabled to be kind to one another, to be tender hearted, to forgive one another, and to be forgiven, because Jesus feeds us with his life. For those who are in Christ are a new creation; the old has passed away and, behold, the new has come. This is the gospel of Jesus! May the peace of Christ of be with you.

C: And also with you.

(offering words of peace and right hand of fellowship)

CHILDREN'S PRAISE SONGS: 715 Love the Lord your God
225 A new commandment

CHILDREN'S TIME:

GOD'S WORD FOR US

SCRIPTURES: Elaine Tubman

Psalm 26:1-12

(Pages 503,857)

Ecclesiastes 12:9-14

(Pages 621,1049)

L. This is the word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: Our Life's Purpose

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING:

Doxology #661

*We give thee but thine own
what- e'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee*

PRESENTATION & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN: 644 May the mind of Christ

GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

***BENEDICTION & BLESSING**

Go Now in Peace

*Go now in peace. Never be afraid
God will go with you each hour of every day
Go now in faith, steadfast strong and true
Know he will guide you in all you do
Go now in love, and show you believe
Reach out to others so all the world can see
God will be there, watching from above
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We extend a warm welcome to everyone today.

November 25: Love letters in the Archives?

Did you know that you can find love letters among the thousands of documents housed in The Presbyterian Church in Canada's Archives? Last year the Archives received a gift of 73 beautifully preserved handwritten letters that revealed a year-long courtship over many miles between Dr. McQueen and his future wife, Miss Catherine Robertson of Strabane, Ontario. The Rev. McQueen served at First Presbyterian Church in Edmonton, arriving in 1887 and remaining for 43 years. Dr. McQueen was the only person to serve twice as Moderator of the General Assembly. Miss Robertson served as a missionary in Canada with the Women's Missionary Society. David and Catherine's exchanges date from September 1889 – September 1890. Through beautiful script containing poetry and prose, their growing love for one another is revealed as is their draw to western Canada and a mutual commitment to serve the church.

Presbyterians Sharing helps connect Presbyterians with their rich history.

CHURCH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Tue. Nov. 27 10 a.m. **Bible Study** (*parlour*)

Thur. Nov. 29 6 p.m. **G.A.S.** (*Elmvale Presbyterian Church*)

Sun. Dec. 2 9:45 a.m. **1st Sunday in Advent**

Sun. Dec. 9 9:45 a.m. **Communion Sunday**

WEEKLY PRAYERS: Week by week we list two households from our mailing list. We would ask you to keep these people in your prayers. The names are in alphabetical rotation: **Diane & John Pinder; Kim & Jim Rettinger** and their families.

PRAYERS OF CONCERN are requested for those people known by the Minister or Church Secretary to be in Hospital or Nursing Homes. The help of the congregation is essential to keep the list up to date. Sara Vista, Elmvale - Mabel Reynolds, Marg Graves, Nancy McGrady & Jean Thurlow

Serenity, Barrie - Muriel Patchell

Hillcrest Village Care Centre, Midland - Evelyn Fleming

Georgian Manor, Penetang - Edna Kerr

King Place, Midland - Violet Graham

Waterside Retirement Lodge, Wasaga Beach - Bill Cox.

Tranquility Place, Brantford - Nancy Hull

Woods Park Retirement Community, Barrie - Louise Wanless

Extendicare, Sudbury - Alma Faris

At Home - Dolores Parker, Bill Murray, Stan McNutt, Jill Lieper, Wally

Greenlaw, Stan Ritchie, Ellen Furlong, Jackie Ritchie, Herb Ritchie,

Patsy Graham, Walter Marshall, Doug & Norma Kirton

Our sympathy is extended to **Dianne Ritchie and her family** on the passing of Grant Ritchie last Monday. The funeral was held yesterday at Elmvale Presbyterian Church.

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