

KNOX FLOS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcomes you to Worship

*Please stand if you are able.

MISSION AWARENESS SUNDAY

APRIL 28, 2019

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS



WE ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: We believe! Christ is risen!

People: We have no doubt—He is risen indeed!

Leader: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

People: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

(Psalm 118:22–23)

***HYMN:** 422 Sing a new song unto the Lord

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

On this resurrection morn, we gather to worship and praise you, Holy God. In the stillness of this hour may we hear your word for us. In the joy of this hour may we remember the sacrifice of Jesus Christ who gave his life to be our savior and defied death to give us eternal life. In the peace of this hour may we sense the Holy Spirit whispering new thoughts to us that will bring about a world of God's own choosing. Blessing and honour and glory be yours O God as we worship in your name. Because of our sin, we are unworthy to praise you so mightily. But in your safe presence we confess our sin and ask your forgiveness. Forgive us when our faith falters, when we doubt carefully made decisions, when we don't trust our community of faith, when we forget to seek your leading. Pour out your Spirit upon us, that we may know Christ more fully and be faithful ambassadors of Jesus' gospel. We pray in the name of the risen Christ...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 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: Friends, the good news is that "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son." (John 3:16) A son who went to the cross for us. A son who loves us and forgives us even before we ask him. Thanks be to God. May the peace of Christ be with you.

C: And also with you.

(offering words of peace and right hand of fellowship)

CHILDREN'S PRAISE SONGS: 755 Go ye, go ye into the world
774 God forgave my sin

CHILDREN'S TIME:

GOD'S WORD FOR US

SCRIPTURES: Tom Tucker

Psalm 118:14–29

(Pages 565,957)

Acts 5:27–32

(Pages 123,1710)

Revelation 1:4–8

(Pages 245,1921)

John 20:19–31 (Rev. Paul)

(Pages 115,1697)

L. This is the word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: No Doubt!

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: Almighty Giver, we thank you for the many gifts you have given to us. We come to you knowing how blessed we are for the freedom to worship. There are places in the world where Christians are forced to worship secretly.

People: We pray that one day your name will be glorified in shouts of open praise.

Leader: You are our God, but there are times we feel like doubting Thomas, times when our faith feels distant, or is tested by the injustices in our society.

People: Give us confidence O God, to believe that Jesus is walking with us at all times.

Leader: We rejoice in the season of Easter reminding us that Jesus went to the cross of forgiveness and gave us resurrection hope.

People: Thank you God, for the ministry of Jesus Christ, who has called us and guided us to live as his disciples.

Leader: We rejoice that The Presbyterian Church in Canada confidently engages in mission in the world. We thank you for the staff of the WMS, International Ministries, Canadian Ministries, Justice Ministries, and PWS&D who make the church aware of the places in the world where the gospel needs to be presented in word or in action.

People: We give thanks for the gifts and skills people have to provide such ministry.

Leader: We pray for our international mission staff, who work in partnership with ministries in Japan, Taiwan, Nepal and Malawi. We remember David McIntosh in Japan. We thank you for the creative work of Paul McLean in Taiwan whose specialty is Bible translation.

People: We give thanks for the gifts and skills people have to provide such ministry.

Leader: We pray for the Together We Can! projects of the Women's Missionary Society. We pray for the ministry in Haiti which is working to end gender-based violence. We pray for our friends at the Kenora Fellowship Centre. We are thankful for the new partnership with Tumakatana in Africa and pray that it may flourish.

People: We give thanks for the gifts and skills people have to provide such ministry.

Leader: We pray for the ministry of the church as it reaches out to serve First Nations communities, especially as the church works to provide safe and peaceful places for healing and reconciliation.

People: We give thanks for the gifts and skills people have to provide such ministry.

Leader: We pray for congregations and presbyteries who are sharing with Canadian Ministries in new church development. We particularly think of the project at Dunnville Presbyterian Church in Dunnville, Ontario.

People: We give thanks for the gifts and skills people have to provide such ministry.

Leader: We pray for all the churches who provide assistance to refugees uprooted from their homeland and required to make a new way in our communities.

People: We give thanks for the gifts and skills people have to provide such ministry. We pray that we too will be open to opportunities to serve in our church and community. In Jesus name. Amen.

OFFERING: *Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
praise him all creatures here below;
praise him above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

PRESENTATION & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN: Christ the Lord is risen today

GOD SENDS US OUT INTO THE WORLD

***BENEDICTION & BLESSING**

There is no doubt—Christ is risen! Go into the community sharing the good news of Jesus sacrificial love. “Grace be with all who have an undying love for our Lord Jesus Christ.” (Ephesians 6:24)

May The Peace of Christ

*May the Peace of Christ be with you and also with you
May the peace of Christ be with you in all you do. (repeat)*

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. Today we join churches across Canada to promote and celebrate mission work. Our appreciation goes to everyone who has participated in today's service. The service was written by the Rev. Dr. Lynda Reid and Katherine Allen.

April 28: Rebuilding businesses and dreams

In Malawi, Lucia and her husband care for their six orphaned grandchildren. It's a lot of work to meet the needs of a large family, but

Lucia was earning a good income running a grocery store—a dream she'd always had. When her husband fell ill, Lucia used all her earnings to pay hospital bills and could no longer afford her grandchildren's school fees. When her husband was discharged, Lucia had no money left to rebuild the business she loved. An answer to her prayers, Lucia received a loan to get her store running again through a Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported self-help group. "I was worried about how I would pay school fees and provide for my grandchildren's basic needs," Lucia said. "Self-help groups have really helped."

PWS&D empowers families out of poverty

UPCOMING CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tue. April 30 **KNOX, FLOS MEAT PIE DAY**

Wed. May 1 9a.m. **Craft/Quilt group** (*parlour*)

Thur. May 2 6 p.m. **G.A.S.**

Fri. May 3 7-8:30 p.m. **Kids' Zone** (*Elmvale*)

Sat. May 11 7:30 p.m. **G.A.S. Youth Chorus presents**
"Rescue in the Night" at Elmvale Presbyterian Church.
Refreshments to follow and free will offering.

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: **Sharon Smith; David & Nicole Solly** 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
Serenity, Barrie - Muriel Patchell
Hillcrest Village Care Centre, Midland - Evelyn Fleming
Georgian Manor, Penetang - Edna Kerr
King Place, Midland - Violet Graham
The Villa, Midland – Bill Cox Rm. 229
Telfer Place, Paris - Nancy Hull
Roberta Place, Barrie - Louise Wanless & Ross Cole
Extendicare, Sudbury - Alma Faris
At Home - Dolores Parker, Bill Murray, Stan McNutt, Jill Lieper, Wally Greenlaw, Stan & Jackie Ritchie, Ellen Furlong, Herb & June Ritchie, Patsy Graham, Walter Marshall and Doug & Norma Kirton

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