

**KNOX FLOS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Welcomes you to Worship

FAMILY SUNDAY

Jan. 19, 2020

\*Please stand if you are able.

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WE ENTER INTO GOD'S PRESENCE**

**INVITATION TO WORSHIP:**

One: We come seeking the holy love of God, that we may become whole and loving.

**All: As Jesus Christ has shared the life of earth, through Christ we may share the life of God, in growing justice and love.**

One: In awe, faith, and thanksgiving, let us rejoice in God's presence and share God's love.

**All: Let us worship God !**

\*HYMN: Shall we gather at the river

**PRAYER OF APPROACH, CONFESSION & LORD'S PRAYER:**

We thank you, O God, for calling us into your church to be your people. We have gathered because we have heard your call. You have reached out to us in Jesus Christ, you have touched us with your Spirit; and we have turned toward you, seeking to love as we have been loved. Through the grace of Jesus Christ empower us to worship and serve you.

We admit, O God, that we are attracted to false gods. The "god" of easy answers whispers that we need not accept the cost of discipleship, but only the joy. The "god" of busy schedules tempts us to delay doing your will until tomorrow. The "god of cozy friendships" calls us to love those who love us, rather than labouring to build Christian community among diverse personalities. Forgive us that we are drawn to false gods. Hold us close in your love, that we may never forsake you, but always serve you faithfully. 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 glory, forever. Amen

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON:**

One: In Christ there is forgiveness and freedom; in Christ there is empowerment and peace.

**Two: In Christ all things are made new. We are God's forgiven people. Thanks be to God**

*(offering words of peace and right hand of fellowship)*

**CHILDREN'S PRAISE SONGS:** This little light of mine  
Leaning on the everlasting arms

**CHILDREN'S TIME:**

**GOD'S WORD FOR US**

**SCRIPTURES:** Carolyn Hill

Psalm 40: 1-11 *(Pages 513,874)*

1 Corinthians 1:1-9 *(Pages 165,1782)*

John 1: 29-42 *(Pages 92,1658)*

L. This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON:** Come and See *(Rev. Lois Lyons)*

\*HYMN: Breathe on me breath of God

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**OFFERING:** *Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Doxology #79 praise him, all creatures here below;*

*praise him above, ye heavenly host;*

*praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*

\*PRESENTATION & PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

**O God, through the offering of these gifts may we become a more open people...**

**Open-minded in hearing your Word and wisdom,**

**Open-hearted in healing a broken world,**

**Open-handed in heeding your call for enacted love. With thanks for**

all good gifts, we present a portion of our substance and the whole of ourselves. In Jesus' name we pray and give. Amen

\*HYMN: Standing on the promises

### 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. Thank you to Rev. Lois Lyons for taking our service.**

#### **January 19: Sowing seeds of hope**

Through Justice Ministries, the PCC works with congregations to sow seeds of hope and respond to the justice imperatives of the gospel. At the centre of this work is engagement with Presbyterians across Canada. Staff visit and speak to congregations, presbyteries, synods, youth groups and camps. They provide workshops, respond to the TRC's calls to Action, facilitate the Blanket Exercise in many different places and speak on reconciliation. Justice Ministries has recently produced resources on the Doctrine of Discovery, how to "green" your congregation, Earth Day, and materials to engage the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls final report.  
*Presbyterians Sharing sows seeds of hope*

### CHURCH EVENTS THIS WEEK

**ANNUAL REPORT TIME: The office would appreciate your reports e-mailed as soon as possible.**

## **The Annual Meeting is Sunday Feb. 9.**

Tue. Jan. 21 10 a.m. **Bible Study)**

Sun. Jan. 26 9:45 a.m Rev. Martyn Van Essen

**If you are interested in volunteering to be part of the Search Committee, please speak to Sandy Conn, Larry Huth or Elaine Tubman to indicate your interest.**

**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: **Branda Handy & Howard Sage; Carolyn Hill** 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, Nancy McGrady & Stan McNutt  
Serenity, Barrie - Muriel Patchell  
Georgian Manor, Penetang - Edna Kerr  
King Place, Midland - Violet Graham, Stan & Jackie Ritchie  
The Villa, Midland (Rm. 316) - Bill Cox  
Telfer Place, Paris - Nancy Hull  
Roberta Place, Barrie - Louise Wanless & Ross Cole  
Extendicare, Sudbury - Alma Faris  
Amica Home, Barrie - Mary Anderson  
At Home - Dolores Parker, Bill Murray, Wally Greenlaw, Jackie Ritchie, Bruce Ritchie, Ellen Furlong, Herb Ritchie, Patsy Graham, Norma Kirton, Brad McGrady, Marilyn Cole, Harvey Graham, Gord & Brenda Wilson and Carole Huth

**Please note that Mary Anderson is now living in Amica Retirement Home, Barrie.**

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