

## GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

### Announcements ~

### Gathering Song:

As we are gathered Jesus is here;  
One with each other, Jesus is here.  
Joined by the Spirit, washed in the blood,  
Part of the body, - the Church of God.  
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### Call to Worship ~

One: Even in the frantic push and pull of our life, we may come to the healing centre, God present with us.

**All: Our Lenten journey is a journey to heal the broken spirit.**

One: It is a time when we do not deny that there is pain and compromise, but that beyond the business and busyness of denial, God offers New life.

**All: Our Lenten journey is a journey to hearing a deeper truth.**

One: We can make the journey knowing we are not alone.

\* **Singing: *Oh Joy of God*** VU#407

### Prayer and Lord's Prayer:

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, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

### Lenten Candle Liturgy

**Reader 1:** On this fourth Sunday of the season of Lent, we remember through story, song and prayer that we are on a journey following in the footsteps of Jesus.

**Reader 2:** The stories told by, and about Jesus help us learn and grow together in our understanding of what it means to be a Christian community in our time and place.

**Reader 1:** Like the story of Jesus and the Samaritan woman at the well, we are called to extend our respect and hospitality to those we meet on our journey of life and faith.

**Reader 2:** As we extinguish the third Lenten candle we acknowledge that we have not always been open and accepting of people whose customs and values are different than our own.

*(Extinguishing of one Lenten candle)*

**Reader 1:** As we watch the smoke rise we give thanks that God forgives and encourages us to strive to live in right relationship with people of all cultures and faith traditions.

**Reader 2:** With thanksgiving for the refreshment of Jesus' life-giving example in our lives, we raise our voices in song – a prayer to you, O God.

### PRAYER

O God of spirit and truth, you have blessed us with an abundance of living water. You have blessed us with love and forgiveness. When our wells run dry with the cares of this life, you fill us again with the living water that quenches the longings of our souls. You invite us to live in the healing refreshment of your presence and you welcome us to invite others to share in the blessings you provide. As a community of faith, we gather to offer our thanks and praise to you, O God. Amen

\***Singing:** God is the One Whom we seek together,  
God is the Life Who is part of us all;  
God is the Truth and the mark of mystery,  
God is the Love and the Joy that makes us whole. VU#283

**Prayer** ~ God of radiant light, your presence warms our hearts with peace and hope. Your wisdom illuminates the shadows of our fears and guides the way for us to follow. Your love made known in the life of Jesus inspires us to share our lives generously with the world you so love. As the Body of Christ, we gather to worship and give thanks and praise to you, O God. Amen

**Anthem: *The Lighthouse***

And I thank God for the lighthouse! I owe my life to Him,  
For Jesus is the lighthouse and from the rocks of sin  
He has shone a light around me that I could clearly see:  
If it wasn't for the lighthouse, where would this ship be?

### *~Sacrament of Infant Baptism~*

*Chelsea Marie Leclair*, infant daughter of  
Gordon Cole Leclair and Kelly Ann Grace  
Godparents ~ Adam and Pamela Leclair

### *Questions & Promises*

**Minister to the congregation:** Do you the members of this congregation receive this child and promise to help with the Christian training of all children under your care?

**Congregation: Yes, we do.**

### *Presentation of Candle, Book & Certificate*

### *~Baptismal Benediction ~*

May God who creates you give you light;  
May God who sustains you make you wise;  
May God who protects you give you joy,  
May God who surrounds you give you peace.

VU#454

\***Singing: *Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters*** VU#442

### WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

**Scripture Readings: Deuteronomy 6: 4-9 p. 143**  
**John 4: 5-15, 28-30, 39-42 p. 864**

### Reflections ~ Water for All

**Singing: *Be Thou My Vision*** VU#642

### WE RESPOND IN FAITHFULNESS

### Presentation of ourselves & gifts to God

**Offertory:** Praise God for wondrous works of power,  
Praise God for tender, covenant love,  
Praise for the whisper of God's voice,  
That speaks forgiveness to our souls. (VU#822)

**Offertory prayer:** Father of life, teach us how to reach out with our hearts, how to share our souls, and how to build life with our hands as we share in Your Kingdom through the giving of these offerings. Amen.

### WE ARE SENT OUT IN SERVICE

**We come to prayer singing:**

At the start of the day as we gather to pray,

Will you remember me?

I need help every day this is why I pray

Will you remember me?

When you pray will you pray for me,

For I need His love and His care;

When you pray will you pray for me,

Will you whisper my name in your prayer? **Chorus**

When I pray I will pray for you,

For you need his love and his care;

When I pray I will pray for you,

I will whisper your name in my prayer. **Chorus**

**We bring our prayers to God**

**\*Singing:** *God, As We Rise to Leave*

VU#417

**Benediction ~**

*We extend the hand of Christian Fellowship to our visitors & ask you to sign the visitors' book. We hope you'll return next Sunday. You are invited to Memorial Hall for coffee & conversation. Serving you this morning is the Session.*

**Please Pray For:** Antoine, Pat Ashworth, Shelley Baumann, Roger Benoit, Bernice, Bonnie, Floyd & Jeff Boyle, Ian Brewster, Brigida, Carol, Carolyn, Colleen, Laura Cuthbertson, Hugh Davidson, Carol Delisle, Dianah, Heather Downs, Eric Drakeford, Elizabeth Eastman, Lynn Edwards, Karen Elkin, Mary-Alice Epps, Madeline Gagnon, Gail, Linda Gallant, Jo Gaston, George, Gladys, Jennifer, Justin, Kristy, Lance & family, Patricia Langevin, Roger Laplante, Marilyn Little, Marcelle, Dennis McKeating, Laura McLean, Mile, Cheryl Miller, Terry Muncey, Paige, Nancy Pappin, Julie Patterson,

Denise Pheeny, Anne & Ernie Presseau, Gail Provencher, Gilles Provencher, Sarah Puskas, Don and Phyllis Reid, Robert Robertson, Chester Ross, Diana Salter, Lou & Joan Sarka, Ken Semper, Sharon, Eileen & Donald Sim, Reynold Skeete, Joan Spurrell, Dylan Stanamir, Madeline Stevens, Phyllis Triangle, Christina Vincent, Margaret Whittal, John Wiwcharyk, Shirley Yarnell.

### Announcements

- We extend our sincere condolences **Jan McConnell** and her family on the death of her husband, **Gordon McConnell**.
- **Drama Practice**, Tuesday evening at 6:00pm
- **Station 7 is holding a Craft Fair on May 9th** at Maplewood Presbyterian Church. Any "crafters" who would like to have a table, please contact Rev. Alice.

### THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday	9:00 am	Badminton
" "	10:00 am	Prayer Fellowship
" "	1:30 pm	UCW Meeting
" "	6:00 pm	Drama Practice
Wednesday	7:00 pm	Deep & Wide
" "	8:30 pm	Volleyball
Thursday	9:00 am	Badminton
" "	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Friday	8:00 pm	AA Meeting

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# ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

*182nd Anniversary Year ~ 1833-2014*

**~WORSHIP ~**

**March 15, 2015 ~ 10:30 am**

**Lent IV**

*The  
Season  
of  
Lent*



**Minister: Rev. K. Alice McAlpine**

**Organist & Music Director: Doreen Gilbert Bangs**

**To greet you ~**

**Elder: Sophie Cessford**

**Stewards: Joanne Goodfellow & Chester Ross**