

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Announcements ~

Gathering Song: *This Is the Day* VU#412

Call to Worship:

Leader: It is written that God called His creation good.

People: It is written that God sent his Son Jesus into the world not to judge it but to save it.

Leader: And Jesus said, "I am with you always, even to the end of the earth".

People: Such is our reason for this hour of worship.

All: Let us then rejoice for we are gathered in the redemptive presence of God

Singing: *Great God, We Sing that Mighty Hand* VU# 529

Prayer and Lord's Prayer: The snow sparkles on the fields, the sun dazzles our eyes, and it is good to be alive O God, and to be part of Your world. Let us bring that aliveness into our worship this morning. You are the one Who can make us really alive. We come to hear Your Word and to celebrate our lives at that point where Your Word touches us and makes all things new. Be with us, as we reach out to You. We pray as Jesus taught us ...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. (Yeah God!)

Anthem: *I Love You Lord*

Children's Time

Singing: *Jesus Bids Us Shine* VU#585

Scripture Readings: Mark 1: 14-20 p. 783
Colossians 1: 1-18 p. 956

Reflections: From what, to what?

Singing: *Jesus Christ Is Waiting* VU#117

Presentation of Ourselves and Gifts to God

Anthem: Please sing chorus

What a day that will be
When my Jesus I will see
And I'll look upon His face
The One who saved me by His grace
And forever I will be
With the One who died for me
What a day, glorious day, that will be.

Doxology: 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.

Offertory Prayer: Giving God, You have revealed Your will for us through Your beloved Son, Jesus the Christ. May we, as Your children, share our abundance with those who hurt and are in want. Receive these gifts we bring this day. We offer them in Jesus' name. Amen.

We come to prayer singing:
My Soul Finds Rest in God Alone (Psalm 62) VU#780

We bring our prayers to God

Singing: *You Servants of God* VU#342

Benediction:

Leader: The ground we stand on may be shaky,

People: Yet let us go forth on the solid ground of trust and faith.

Leader: Life may seem disconnected and filled with misfortune.

People: Yet let us go forth, connected with God and with each other

Leader: The world may be hurting and forgetful of what really matters in life.

People: So let us go forth and bring hope and healing and love to all people.

All: And may the love of God, the grace of Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Amen.

Sung Benediction: *Sing Amen* (Amen means "so be it")

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 Choir.

Please Pray For: The family of Neebin Armstrong, Arthur Allan, Antoine, Pat Ashworth, Shelley Baumann, Barbara Batten, Bernice, Greg Blersch, Robin Blersch, Bonnie, Esther Bohlein, Tea Kinsella-Borden, Larry Bouchard, Larry Brazier, Brigida, Carol, Caroly, Rick Cessford, Laura Cuthbertson, Dianah, Milt Dodds, Mary-Alice Epps, Ron Epps, Larry Falcon, Gail, Linda Gallant, Gladys, Myrna Hall, Jennifer, Fern Lafontaine, Lance & family, Roger Laplante, Marie Loch, Jemma Mahabir, Clarence Mahaney, Carrie Marchand, Marcelle, Marisa, Laura McLean, Mile, Michael, Cheryl Miller, Sharon Miller, Sandra Murphy, Ib Nielsen, Paige, Patrick, Julie Patterson, Sarah Puskas, Ella-Mae Ramsey, Bruce Rathwell, Margaret Reany & family, Cheryl Rogers, Fred Rosettani, Bruce Ryan, Isabel Saccucci, Eileen & Donald Sim, Heather Sim, Reynold Skeete, Lesley Snair, Dylan Stanamir, Frank Stark, Madeline Stevens, Jan Verschoote, Cameron Vincent, Margaret Whittal, Fred Wicks, Joanne Wilken, John Wiwcharyk, Shirley Yarnell, Sarah Zimmerman

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- **Happy Birthday** to: Karen King (Jan.14), Bruce Snair (Jan. 22) and Keith Motton (Jan. 25)!
- **Rev. Alice will be on study leave this coming week, January 22-29.**
- An **Official Board Meeting** is being called for Monday, February 5th at 7:30 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to: review the finances of 2017 and the proposed budget for 2018, plus to hear suggestions from the Nominating Committee.
- The **Annual Congregational Meeting** is being called for Sunday Feb. 18th following morning worship. Reports are welcome....
- Our **sympathies** are extended to Sharon Smith and family in the passing of her mother-in-law, Grace Trimm. A time of thanksgiving and remembrance will be held for her on Feb. 3 in the church parlour at 11 a.m.
- Please hand in your **Annual Reports** as soon as they are ready. Deadline – January 28.

Reminders

- Our food pantry needs tea, cookies, cleaning products and personal hygiene products. Thank you for your generosity.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday	9:00 am	Badminton
Wednesday	8:00 pm	Volleyball
Thursday	9:00 am	Badminton
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Friday	8:00 pm	AA Meeting

Something to think about: "I marvel that whereas the ambitious dreams of myself, Caesar, and Alexander should have vanished into thin air, a Judean peasant—Jesus—should be able to stretch His hands across the centuries and control the destinies of men and nations."

--Napoleon Bonaparte

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ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

185th Anniversary Year ~ 1833-2018

~WORSHIP~
January 21, 2018 ~ 10:30 am
3rd Sunday after Epiphany



Minister: Rev. K. Alice McAlpine
Director of Music Ministry: Doreen Gilbert Bangs

To greet you ~

Elder: Bruce Snair

Stewards: Jonathan Bergeron & Jim Meldrum