

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Announcements ~

Gathering Song:

Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set thy people free:
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in thee.
Born thy people to deliver;
Born a child and yet a king;
Born to reign in us forever;
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.
VU#2 vs. 1 & 3

Call to Worship:

One: God calls us to open our eyes.

All: To see our ministry and our call.

One: God calls us to open our lives.

All: To live our ministry and our call.

One: God calls us to open ourselves.

All: To be our ministry and our call.

One: So come, brothers and sisters, come followers of the Lord.

All: We come to worship our God!

Singing: *Eternal, Unchanging, We Sing to Your Praise*
VU#223

Prayer and Lord's Prayer: God, our Rock and our Redeemer, source of comfort, strength and laughter: awaken in us this morning a spirit of deep appreciation. As we sing Your praise, hear Your word, and offer You our lives in prayer, touch us anew with both proddings and blessings that our days might be joyously centered on what really matters, our concerns anchored in the certainty of

Your grace, and our days brightened with a Spirit of love for others. 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: *Higher Hands*

Children's Time

Singing: *Jesus Hands Were Kind Hands* **VU#570**

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 40: 21-31 p. 582
Mark 1: 29-39 p. 813

Reflections: "He gives power to the weak"

Singing: *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* **VU#670**

Presentation of Ourselves and Gifts to God

Anthem: If you ever needed the Lord before
You sure do need Him now
You sure do need Him now
Oh, you sure do need Him now
If you ever needed the Lord before
You sure do need Him now
You need Him ev'ry day and ev'ry hour.

Doxology: Praise to the Father, Spirit, Son,
Praise God Whose steadfast love abounds,
Who never in our need forsakes,
But over all creation reigns.
VU#541

Offertory Prayer: Bless this offering, Lord, beyond all that we are able to do, that it may accomplish that which is the joy of Your people and the hope of the world.

We come to prayer singing:

What a healing Jesus, I've found in You
What a healing Jesus to restore, refresh and renew
You're my healing Jesus for such a time as this
Arise on healing wings, Son of righteousness.
(3X)

We bring our prayers to God

Singing: *I Will Not Forget Thee* **SOG#86**

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 United Church Women.

Please Pray For: The family of Neebin Armstrong, Ari, 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, Liam Broomer, 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, Larry Marcotte, 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

Announcements

- 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.
- Please hand in your **Annual Reports** today. Thank you.

Reminders

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

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday	7:30 pm	Official Board Mtg
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

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Happy birthday to Frank Stark who celebrated his 95th birthday on January 25th.

ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

185th Anniversary Year ~ 1833-2018

~WORSHIP~
February 4, 2018 ~ 10:30 am
Epiphany 5



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

To greet you ~

Elder: Richard Fortier

Stewards: Joanne Goodfellow & Keith Motton