

## GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

### Announcements ~

**Gathering Song: Group Aeternal: Deliver Me/The Choice**

### Call to Worship:

Leader: On this fourth Sunday of Lent we step out gingerly, courageously, fearfully, stridently.

**People: The Lenten experience always consists of a single step.**

Leader: We wonder where our adventure will lead us.

**People: In faith we walk with the One Who accompanies us into garden, wilderness, and city street.**

Leader: May the Spirit of God be within you so that you will live!

**Singing: *New Every Morning* VU#405**

**Prayer and Lord's Prayer:** Companion God, we journey the pathway of Lent aware that a series of crosses is before us. But as we look into the distance the crosses grow smaller, a sure sign that you are walking along with us. May each movement be sure-footed, and may we walk straight toward your welcoming embrace, as we venture in faith. We pray together...

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!)

**Group Aeternal: The Road To Emmaus.**

### Lenten Candle Liturgy

**Reader 1:** Today is the fourth Sunday of the season of Lent. As a community of faith, we have been travelling with Jesus through story, song and prayer on his final journey to Jerusalem.

**Reader 2:** In this way, and in our own personal experiences of faith, we have witnessed God's profound love made known to the world in the life and ministry of Jesus Christ.

**Reader 1:** In Jesus, God's love lights the way for those who choose to follow.

**Reader 2:** As we light the fourth Lenten candle we lament the ways in which we sometimes lose sight of the light of Christ and harden our hearts to the needs of others.

**(Light one Lenten candle)**

**Reader 1:** As we watch the light shine we remember that God's spirit is with us in mysterious and visible ways and that we are forgiven, blessed and encouraged to open our hearts and our lives to God.

**Reader 2:** We raise our voices in song -- a prayer to you, O God.

**Sung Response:**

**We are walking a path of love, (3X)  
Lead us home, lead us home.  
221 MVU**

**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

**Group Aeternal: Into His Hands.**

**Children's Time**

**Singing: *Jesus, Friend of Little Children* VU#340**

**Scripture Readings: Ephesians 2: 1-10 p. 949**

**Group Aeternal: Peace, Hope & Love.**

**Reflections: "You will see God"**

**Singing: *Amazing Grace + Praise God, Praise God*  
VU#266**

**Presentation of Ourselves and Gifts to God**

**Group Aeternal: In A Place**

**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** Gracious God, we bring our offerings to this service of worship. May we bring them not because we have to but because we want to. Thank You for calling us to be givers. Amen

**We come to prayer singing:  
Group Aeternal: Christian Unity**

**We bring our prayers to God**

**Group Aeternal: Seven Loaves & A Few Small Fish**

**Singing: *Blessed Assurance* VU#337**

**Benediction**

We extend a warm welcome to all worshipping with us this morning, and to our returning guests, "Group Aeternal". Welcome Home! Please join us for a time of fellowship and refreshments in Memorial Hall following this service.

**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, Carol, Caroly, Rick Cessford, Laura Cuthbertson, Dianah, Milt Dodds, Mary-Alice Epps, Ron Epps, Larry Falcon, Gail, Linda Gallant, Gladys, 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.

**Announcements**

- Next Sunday our service will include the **Sacrament of Infant Baptism**
- **Coffee Party & Bake Sale – March 20.** Please buy your tickets from the UCW or the office ASAP as they sell out quickly.
- On **Palm Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>**, our worship service will be held in **Memorial Hall**. The **Drama Group** will be presenting the play “**Simply Easter—Give Me a Sign**”. The **St. Patrick’s Day Parade** will also be held that day in **Chateauguay** starting at **1p.m.** Last year **St. A’s** took part and had a great time. If you’d like to parade this year, please sign the paper in **Memorial Hall**.
- **Easter** is on **April 1<sup>st</sup>** when between the **Sonrise** service and the **Holy Communion Service**, we serve a hot-cross bun breakfast. Anyone willing to help with the breakfast, we ask you to sign the list in **Memorial Hall**. Thank you!

**Reminders**

- Our food pantry needs tea, coffee, canned meat, cleaning products and personal hygiene products. Thank you for your generosity.
- Please save your nickels and dimes to support the Sunday School.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Badminton</b>
“ “	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Prayer Fellowship</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Session Meeting</b>
“ “	<b>8:00 pm</b>	<b>Volleyball</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Badminton</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Choir Practice</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:00 pm</b>	<b>AA Meeting</b>

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**~WORSHIP~**  
**March 11, 2018 ~ 10:30 am**  
**Lent IV**



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

*Welcome Group Aeternal*

*To greet you ~*

**Elder: Les Sorg**

**Stewards: Joanne Goodfellow & Ib Nielsen**