

## GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

**Announcements ~**

**Gathering Song ~**

I love you with the love of the Lord,  
Yes, I love you with the love of the Lord  
I can see in you the glory of my King,  
And I love you with the love of the Lord.

**Call to Worship:**

Leader: Let us come together for worship all who love the Lord!

**People: For in our darkness, the Lord came to redeem us,**

Leader: That the whole world would hear of God's mercy and grace.

**People: We are God's light to others who are living in the darkness.**

Leader: We are God's witnesses that the Gospel of Christ is true.

**All: Blessed be the name of the Lord!**

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

**Prayer and Lord's Prayer:** Lord of life, we rejoice that we can be together for worship. We give thanks for all who gather in places such as this, for all who seek to live by truth, and for all who run the risks of loving. Teach us to care enough to walk with our neighbours, to speak with our friends, and to work in our community. Lead us again to 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, the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## **Lenten Candle Liturgy**

**Reader 1:** Today is the second Sunday of the season of Lent. We have embarked on a journey of faith with each other and with Jesus on His journey to Jerusalem.

**Reader 2:** We remember how Jesus challenged and encouraged His disciples to embrace His way of ministry and to respond to God's call with faith-filled living.

**Reader 1:** We give thanks for God's covenant with our ancestors in faith and for the wisdom that we are blessed to be a blessing to others.

**Reader 2:** As we extinguish the second Lenten candle we commit ourselves to follow Jesus' way even though we know that at times we will fall short of Christ-like living.

*(Extinguishing of one Lenten candle)*

**Reader 1:** As we watch the smoke rise we give thanks that God's Spirit is always with us and that God forgives and encourages us to strive to live in right relationship with ourselves, others and God.

**Reader 2:** Knowing ourselves to be people of promise and blessing, we raise our voices in song – a prayer to you, O God.

**Singing:**                   Lead me, God,  
                                  Lead me in your righteousness;  
                                  Make your way plain before my face.  
                                  For it is you, and you, God only,  
                                  Who makes me to dwell in safety.  
                                  **VU#662**

**Prayer:**

God of promise and blessing, we give thanks that we do not travel alone on this journey of faith. We are grateful for the wisdom of our ancestors in faith and for the wisdom and witness of our community of faith today. Guide our steps that we may follow Jesus and seek to emulate His ministry of compassionate service. Encourage us when we face challenges and feel discouraged. Remind us of your constant presence as we walk together, this day and in the days to come. Amen

**Anthem: *Blessed Be the Name***

**Children's Time ~**

**Singing: *He Is Love* SOG#14**

**Installation of Elder Anna Snair**

### WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

**Scripture Readings: Luke 13: 31-35 p. 849;  
Philippians 3:17-4:1 p. 955**

**Reflections ~ Think Green!**

**Singing: *Who Is on the Lord's Side* SOG#77**

### WE RESPOND IN FAITHFULNESS

**Presentation of Ourselves and Gifts to God**

**Singing: *In Heavenly Love Abiding* SOG#33**

**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:** Bless our offerings, O God, as we remember the Lord's sacrifice for us, that others may discover and rejoice in Your salvation. Amen.

**We come to prayer singing ~ Choir: *Come Holy Spirit***

**We bring our prayers to God**

**Singing: *Higher Ground* SOG#119**

**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, Arthur Allan, Antoine, Pat Ashworth, Shelley Baumann, Barbara Batten, Bernice, Brigitta Blersch, Greg Blersch, Robin Blersch, Bonnie, Esther Bohlein, Larry Brazier, Leah & Chris, Liam Broomer, Carol, Caroly, Rick Cessford, Laura Cuthbertson, Dianah, Milt Dodds, Carol Epps, Mary-Alice Epps, Ron Epps, Gail, Linda Gallant, Dan Gingras, Gladys, Myrna Hall, Ruby Horan, Colette Humphries, Schofield Jackson, Jennifer, Fern Lafontaine, Lance & family, Roger Laplante, Jemma Mahabir, Clarence Mahaney, Carrie Marchand, Marcelle, Marisa, Laura McLean, Dan McVeigh, Mile, Michael, Cheryl Miller, Sandra Murphy, Don Nielsen, Ib Nielsen, Paige, Harley Parkinson, Patrick, Julie Patterson, Willa Pender, Sarah Puskas, Ella-Mae Ramsey, Bruce Rathwell, Cheryl Rogers, Bruce Ryan, Eileen & Donald Sim, Heather Sim, Reynold Skeete, Dylan Stanamir, Madeline Stevens, John Taylor, Jan Verschoote, Margaret Whittal, Joanne Wilken, John Wiwcharyk, Shirley Yarnell, Sarah Zimmerman.

**Announcements**



- Our sympathies and love go to Pam, Andy & Jason for the loss of Pam's mother, Lois Castleton, who died Thursday morning. There will be no funeral service at the request of Mrs. Castleton.
- The St. Patrick's Day Parade is next Sunday. If we are taking part we need to register. We need to have an idea of how many will be parading. Please sign the list on the corridor bulletin board if you wish to take participate.
- **Coffee Party & Bake Sale, March 26 from 10:00 am-noon.** Donations of baked goods for our brunch table & bake table

are very much appreciated. Tickets are available from the UCW members or the office.

- St. George's Church would like to have a "Spaghetti Garden" this summer, i.e. to grow vegetables for tomato sauce. In September, the aim would be to have a fundraising spaghetti supper to raise money for the Chateaugay Food Bank. Volunteers are being sought to help plant and/or help maintain it during the summer, and/or cook the sauce. There's more info on the bulletin board and the list to sign up.

**Reminders**

- Food Pantry: We would need canned meat, canned tomatoes, pasta sauce & juice. We have enough soup for now. Thank you for your generosity.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Badminton</b>
" "	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Prayer Fellowship</b>
" "	<b>7:30 pm</b>	<b>Stewards' Meeting</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8:30 pm</b>	<b>Volleyball</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Badminton</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:00 pm</b>	<b>AA Meeting</b>

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# ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

*186<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year ~ 1833-2019*

**~WORSHIP~**

**March 17, 2019 ~ 10:30 am**

**Lent II**



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

**Director of Music Ministry: Doreen Gilbert Bangs**

*To greet you ~*

**Elder: Patricia Nielsen**

**Stewards: Joanne Goodfellow & Eric Robinson**