

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Announcements

Gathering Song: O day of God, draw nigh
In beauty and in power,
Come with your timeless judgement now
To match our present hour.
VU#688 vs. 1

Call to Worship:

Leader: With the cross of Christ before us,

People: We sing our praise to God's eternal love.

Leader: With the cross of Christ before us,

People: We pray for God's supporting love.

Leader: With the cross of Christ before us,

People: We commit ourselves to live that love.

Leader: With the cross of Christ before us,

People: We come in worship.

Singing: *Eternal, Unchanging, We Sing* VU#223

Prayer and Lord's: Gracious God, You have brought us to this season of Lent, this time of preparation for crucifixion and resurrection: give us courage so to examine ourselves, to be honest about who we are and to what we are called, that we might meet with joy, on Easter morning, our risen Saviour; to Whom with You and the Spirit, one holy God, be honour and praise, now and forever. We join together in praying...

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: God has proven trustworthy throughout history, but at times we question and doubt, and even deny, God's presence in our lives. We forget the larger picture at times and focus only on that moment, that period of time, when we experience God's absence. We worry and fret about what is happening and what will happen next, rather than trusting in our Savior.

Reader 2: We light this candle as a symbol of our faith in Jesus Christ that His presence is with us, and that we are not alone.

Prayer: God of hope, help us to remember the promise that you will never leave us or forsake us. As we journey towards the cross this Lenten season, remind us of your presence, and help us to remember to trust in you. Amen.

Sung Response

We are walking a path of trust,
We are walking a path of trust,
We are walking a path of trust,
Lead us home, lead us home.

MVU#221

Children's Time

Singing: *Jesus Loves Even Me* SOG#129

**Scripture Readings: Psalm 23 VU page 749
John 10: 11-21 p.872**

Reflections: "Walking with the Good Shepherd...to the cross."

Singing: *The King of Love* VU#273

Presentation of Ourselves and Gifts to God

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.

VU#541

Offertory Prayer: Gracious God, we are awed by Your goodness to us. Hear us now, as we offer ourselves and our gifts that Your will might be done on earth through the many ministries of Your people through Your Church. Enable us to be helpers in this Your world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

We come to prayer singing: SOG#134 vs.1

Sweet hour of pray'r! Sweet hour of pray'r!

That calls me from a world of care,
And bids me at my Father's throne
Make all my wants and wishes known;
In seasons of distress and grief,
My soul has often found relief.
And oft escaped the tempter's snare
By thy return, sweet hour of pray's.

We bring our prayers to God

Singing: *All the Way My Saviour Leads Me* VU#635

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, tea & conversation. Serving you this morning are members of the Prayer Fellowship.

ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH

187th Anniversary Year ~ 1833-2020

~WORSHIP~

March 1, 2020 ~ 10:30 am

Lent I



Please Pray For: The family of Neebin Armstrong, Arthur Allan, Antoine, Pat Ashworth, Heinz Bauer, Shelley Baumann, Barbara Batten, Jean-Marc Bergeron, Bernice, Robin Blersch, Bonnie, Esther Bohlein, Catherine Brophy, Leah & Chris, Liam, Carol, Caroline, Caroly, Rick Cessford, Shirley Christie, Laura Cuthbertson, Dianah, Milt Dodds, Norm Elkin, Mary-Alice Epps, Gail, Linda Gallant, Dan Gingras, Alison and Lee Gilbert, Gladys, Myrna Hall, Ruby Horan, Jennifer, Fern Lafontaine, Lance & family, Roger Laplante, Laura & family, Jim Lowson, Derrick Macri, Jemma Mahabir, Clarence Mahaney, Carrie Marchand, Marcelle, Marisa, Laura McLean, Dan McVeigh, Mile, Michael, Cheryl Miller, Sandra Murphy, Don Nielsen, Ib Nielsen, Paige, Patrick, Julie Patterson, Willa Pender, Sarah Puskas, Ella-Mae Ramsey, Bruce Rathwell, Daniel Raigneau, Norma Raigneau, Rupert Richardson, Eric Robinson, Cheryl Rogers, Bruce Ryan, Eileen & Donald Sim, Heather Sim, Shirley Smith, Dylan Stanamir, Madeline Stevens, John Taylor, Peter Tucker, Brian & Jan Verschoote, Margaret Whittal, Joanne Wilken, John Wiwcharyk, Wolfgang, Shirley Yarnell.

Announcements:

- Thank you to all of you who helped with the Valentine's Breakfast on February 16 and to Brian Ford and Terry Cessford and their helpers for the Shrove Tuesday supper. Good food, and lovely times of fellowship.
- **Friday, March 6, at 2 p.m.** is the annual **World Day of Prayer**, being held this year at **OLPH**. All welcome.
- Please note: the **Annual General Meeting** will be held **March 15 after the service**. A hot dog lunch will be served.
- The **Coffee Party & Bake Sale** takes place **March 24 from 10:00-12:00 noon**. Donation \$8. Please support the UCW and St. A's with your attendance and also with your home-made goodies for the breakfast table and/or the bake-sale table. We thank you for your generosity.

- Please note that next **Sunday, March 8, Daylight Saving Time** begins. Spring forward! Yes it will be time to put your clocks one hour ahead next Saturday before you go to bed otherwise you will miss church service if you don't.
- While Doreen Gilbert takes a well deserved break for today and next Sunday, we welcome back Karen Frank (and husband Steve) to help us in our ministry of music.
- We are happy to report that Bruce (and Brenda) Ryan are now back at CHAL, hoping to get back home soon.

Reminders:

- **Thank you for your continuing support of our food pantry.**

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday	9:00 am	Badminton
Wednesday	8:30 pm	Volleyball
Thursday	9:00 am	Badminton
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Friday	8:00 pm	AA Meeting

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To greet you ~

Elder: Patricia Nielsen

Stewards: Elizabeth Bergeron & Eric Robinson