

There are moments when we realize

there is more than meets the eye. The first time we attended the community dinner, I remember my kids were pretty quiet and nervous. They were nervous because a burly man sat in front of them, not saying a word, not a smile, or offering to small talk. He just plopped himself down, waiting for his hot meal to be served. His face told his life story, washed out from exhaustion and hardship.

My son Jayden was picking out the broccoli from his plate; I leaned over to him and asked him to eat them. All of a sudden he looked at me and asked, "Mom, what's something you don't like to eat?" I had to think about this one... After a few seconds I blurted out chicken's feet! Right at that moment, the burly fella sat up straight and his face lit up. He leaned forward with this beaming smirk and told us how delicious they were. My children asked him many questions: "When did you have it? Where did you have it?" They did not care about his appearance anymore but welcomed him as an unexpected friend before they knew.

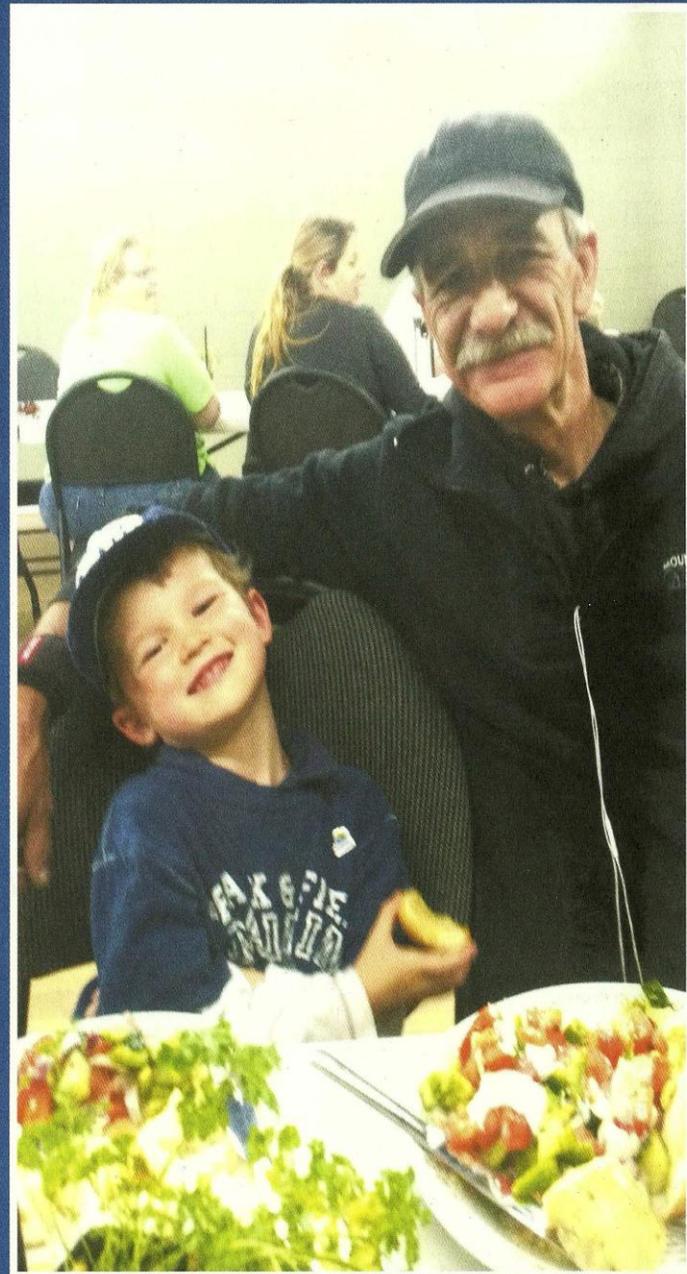
살다보면 겉으로 보이는 것이 전부가 아니라는 것을

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The Rev. Joanne Lee is minister at St. Andrew's in Innisfail, AB.

Photo: Trinity, Victoria, BC, Simon and friend, photo by Mary Chudley



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, June 14, 2015

Communion Service

Please stand at items marked * if you are able.
Passages in **Bold Print** are to be spoken in Unison
Organ Prelude – Hymn and Quiet Reflection

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Susan Mattinson

Organist - Carol Wehrstedt Music Director- Kendall House

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

* Entry of the Bible

Introit

Call to Worship

* Hymn: *"Love divine, all loves excelling"* #371

Opening Prayer:

Loving God, from you comes vitality, love and joy. Your peace is our companion. In your hand are the things that delight, sustain and amaze. In even the darkest places you are evident. In quietness your purpose unfolds. Everywhere are signs of the Kingdom, if we but notice. Yet we confess that, despite our joy in your presence, we can also resist your grace and the newness you envision. **Forgive us, we pray, for attitudes and behaviors that strangle the life you would call forth. Caught up in ourselves we can ignore the suffering of the larger society. We are creatures of the earth, but greed and carelessness can cause us to abuse this home you have made for us. Forgive us our sin. Cleanse and remake us. Refocus our attention on your love. Renew our faith so we can align ourselves with the forces of resurrection. We pray through Jesus our Lord, Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem: *"Gentle Voice"*

* Children's Hymn: *"Lord, speak to me"* #767

(last verse to be sung after Children's Time)

Children's Time

"Be Still and Know that
I am God" (Ps. 46: 10)
Please take the time before
the service as an opportunity
to quietly prepare your heart
and mind for worship.



Prayer Concerns:

Marie Huffman (Roseview)

Bernice Johnston

Walter Hogarth

Rose Ducharme (Marg Stein's mother)

Al & Marilyn Miller's daughter-in-law

Michelle, wife of Jamie (Calgary)

Meta Evans' daughter, Carol

Jane Po

Lawrie Rydholm

Janet Renton

**PLEASE STAY FOR THE
SPRING LUNCHEON
AFTER TODAY'S SERVICE.**



Summer 2015 Camp Donations

There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church. Please write your name beside what you would be able to provide.

Please bring food, monetary or craft supply donations to the Church Office (examples of craft supplies list at the back of church). Deadline anytime up to July 5th so we can get the donations to St. Andrews by July 6th. Thank you.



Forms for Pres-B-Camp are available in the church office. Pres-B-Camp is a week-long overnight

summer camp for those entering grades 3-8 this fall. This year camp will be held on July 19-25th. In addition, there will also be a weekend Teen Retreat for those entering gr. 9 and up on August 21-23rd. This year the presbytery has decided that if you bring a friend to camp that has never been before both of you will get half off the cost of camp! If you have any questions please contact Sarah Campbell (sarahmcampbell@hotmail.com) or Will Newton (newton9455@hotmail.com).



Thank you this week to:

Greeters: Betty Irwin and Betty Irving
Lay Reader: Sandra Allan
Fellowship Time: Spring Luncheon
Elevator Operator: Colin Rackham
Offering Counting: Doug & Joleen Brown and Don Munn
Offering Collection: Russ Brown, Don Munn, Joyce Nystrom, Janet Taylor
Visiting/Phoning: _____

Next week's volunteers: June 21st

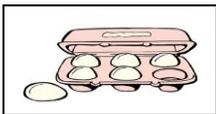
Greeters: Betty Irwin and Betty Irving
Lay Reader: Lynae Grace
Fellowship Time: Isobel Telford and Val Calder
Elevator Operator: Laird Morrison
Offering Counting: Kathleen, Richard and Cameron Noy
Offering Collection: Russ Brown, Don Munn, Joyce Nystrom, Janet Taylor
Phoning/Visiting:

Grass Cutting:

May 1 to May 30 - Terry Casella
 June 1 to June 14 - Colin Rackham
 June 15 to June 28 - Cameron & Richard Noy

Upcoming Events at First

Wed., June 17th - Board of Managers - 6:30 pm
 Thurs., June 18th - Choir practice windup
 Mon., June 22nd - Cards afternoon - 1 pm

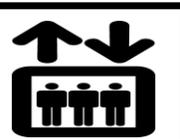


The Food Bank is in need of egg cartons. Please leave them at the food collection bin or give to Ruth George or Alice Morrison.

If you are receiving the hard copy of the Presbyterian Record, you will be contacted this summer to discuss subscription options as we review our "Every Home Plan"

Thank you, Ruth George and Susan Mattinson

We are pleased to inform everyone that the elevator should be operational by next Sunday, June 21st.



WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Preparation

Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me. Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free. Silently now I wait for thee, ready my God, thy will to dee: open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Bible Readings:

Ezekiel 17: 22-24	P. 784	O.T.
Psalms 92: 1-4, 12-15	P. 548 & 549	O.T.
Mark 4: 26-34	P. 38 & 39	N.T.

Gloria Patri:

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Sermon: "The Greatest of all Shrubs"

Special Music: "Be Not Afraid" by Lloyd Jones with congregation participation for the chorus

Chorus: Be not afraid, I go before you always,
 Come follow me, and I will give you rest.

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Tithes and Offerings

* **Offertory Response** **501**

Live in charity and steadfast love;
 live in charity; God will dwell with you.

Prayer of Dedication

Heavenly Father, you have offered us such abundance. We are so very blessed! Yet, we often think that we have so little. Some of us may even feel as though our gift is too small. Thank you for reminding us that even our mustard seed-sized gift may grow beyond our individual possibility. Today we place before you all amounts of gifts, knowing that you transform our scarcity into your abundance. Thanks be to God! Amen

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation

* **Hymn:** "I come with joy"

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Affirmation of Faith:

The Lord's Supper, Holy Communion, or the Eucharist is eating bread and drinking wine in remembrance of Christ's body broken and his blood shed for us, in anticipation of his joyous return. The cup is a sharing in Christ's blood and the bread a sharing in his body.

The real presence of Christ does not come through some change in the bread and wine or through Christ being in or under the elements, but rather we are lifted up into the presence of Christ by faith in the power of the Holy Spirit.

(From "A Catechism for Today" Question 83: "What is the Lord's Supper?")

Remembering the Meal with Jesus

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

We proclaim your greatness and sing your praise along with all the company of heaven, and with all your people, of all places and times. With joy we give you thanks and praise, Almighty God, Source of all life and love, that we live in your world, that you are always creating and sustaining it by your power, and that you have so made us that we can know and love you, trust and serve you. We give you thanks that you loved the world so much that you gave your only Son, so that everyone who has faith in him may not die, but have eternal life.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!

We thank you that Jesus was born among us; that he lived our common life on earth; that he suffered and died for us; that he rose again; and that he is always present through the Holy Spirit. We thank you that we can live in the faith that your kingdom will come, and that in life, in death, and beyond death you are with us.

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest!**

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Holy Lord God, by what we do here in remembrance of Christ, we celebrate his perfect sacrifice on the cross and his glorious resurrection and ascension; we declare that he is Lord of all; and we prepare for his coming in his kingdom.

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We pray that through your Holy Spirit this bread may be for us the body of Christ and this wine the blood of Christ. Accept our sacrifice of praise; and as we eat and drink at his command, unite us to Christ as one body in him and give us strength to serve you in the world.

And to you, one holy and eternal God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we give praise and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Sharing the Meal

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (debtsdebtors)

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn: **"One more step along the world I go"**

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Blessing

Response:

**Praise the Lord from whom all blessings flow.
He has washed and made me white as snow.
I'm redeemed from all my sin and shame.
Now and forever, praise his holy name.
Praise his holy name. Praise his holy name.
To God be the glory now and forever.
Praise his holy name!**

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Mission purpose is to put our faith into action through mission education, community outreach, and personal and financial support both at home and abroad.