

Who decided it was time for a wardrobe change,

painting each leaf with red, orange, yellow and brown?

Who told the warm air to cool down by walking it off?

Who asked the evening to arrive earlier and asked day to share its limelight?

Who gave the apple patience to ripen after all other fruits have been picked?

Who warned the squirrel to start storing food for the winter months ahead?

Who taught the geese where to go in the V-formation?

Who fashioned an extra coat for the deer and chipmunk alike?

Who gifted humans with the harvest of ripe gold?

The heavens declare the glory of God;

The skies proclaim the work of God's hands.

누가 자연의 색깔이 바뀔 때를 정하셨으며,

나뭇잎마다 빨강이나 주황으로, 노랑이나 갈색으로 물들이실까?

누가 더운 공기로 하여금 조금씩 차가워지도록 하셨을까?

누가 저녁은 때 되어 찾아오고 낮은 그 빛난 광채를 나누도록 하셨을까?

누가 사과로 하여금 다른 과일들이 다 수확된 다음까지도 여전히 익어가도록 하셨을까?

누가 다람쥐에게 겨울이 오기 전 양식을 준비하라고 일러 주셨을까?

누가 기러기에게 V편대로 날아가는 것을 가르쳐주셨을까?

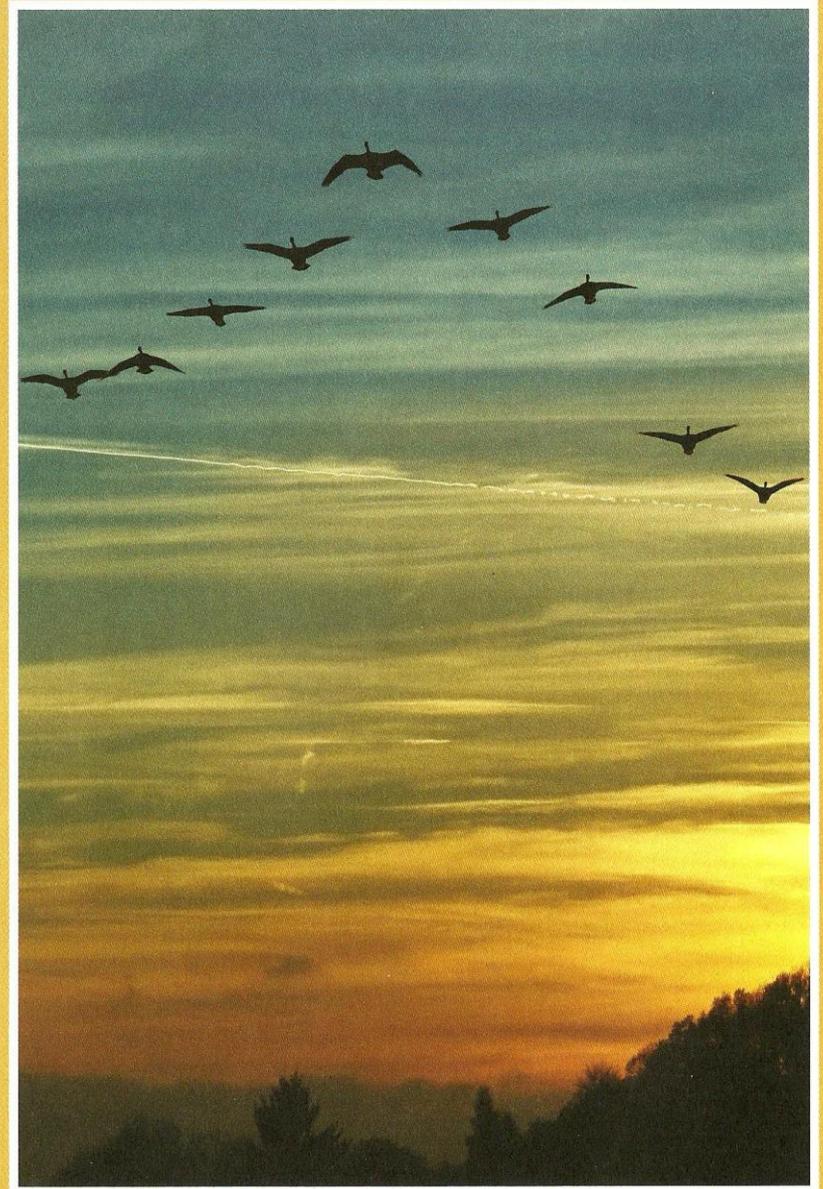
누가 사슴이나 청솔모에게 털 외투로 덧입혀 주셨을까?

누가 사람들로 하여금 황금 인생을 맞도록 하셨을까?

하늘은 하나님의 영광을 선포하고,

궁창은 그 손으로 하신 일을 드러내는 도다.

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, September 13, 2015

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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: *"All the way my Saviour leads me"* #699

Opening Prayer:

God ever creating; ever leading; ever wise: Your word is truth when circumstances are twisted. Your way is freedom when we are lost. Your calling gives us direction and gives us a way of life. Your cross shows us that your grace and love are limitless. We worship you for who you have been, for who you will be, and for the calling you have placed on our lives. We have sinned with our thoughts, with our words, and with our actions. We have not loved you with our whole hearts. We have not fulfilled our responsibilities. We have spoken harshly and unkindly. We have rejected your ways and your calling. We are sorry and repent of what we have done and who we have been. Have mercy upon us and forgive us, so that we may begin again to walk in your ways. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem: *"Amazing Grace"*

* Children's Hymn: *"Follow me, the Master said"* #645
last verse to be sung after Children's Time)

Children's Time

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Preparation 452 (v.2)

Breathe the Holy Spirit into every heart;
bid the fears and sorrows from each soul depart.

"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.

Bible Readings:

Isaiah 50: 4-9

P. 681

O.T.

Psalms 116: 1-9

P. 564

O.T.

Mark 8: 27-38

P. 43 & 44

N.T.

Gloria Patri:

594

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: *"In Caesarea Philippi"*

* Hymn: *"Take up your cross"* #211

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Tithes and Offerings

* Offertory Response 379 (v.4)

So let us learn how to serve, and in our lives enthrone him, each other's needs to prefer, for it is Christ we're serving. This is our God the Servant King, he calls us now to follow him, to bring our lives as a daily offering of worship to the Servant King.

Prayer of Dedication

Father, you challenge us to deny ourselves in order to follow you. We are not accustomed to denying ourselves often. The pop culture promotes instant gratification. Yet, you call us to give in return for life; to deny ourselves to follow you; to set our minds on divine things rather than human things. Help us in this offertory moment to focus on you as we sacrificially give our tithes and offerings. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (debtsdebtors)

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

* Hymn: *"Jesus calls is, o'er the tumult"* #672

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!

Prayer Concerns:

Marie Huffman (Roseview)

Bernice Johnston

Al & Marilyn Miller's daughter-in-law,
Jennifer

Meta Evans' daughter, Carol

Jane Po

Janet Renton

Rose Ducharme (Marg Stein's mother)



Thank you this week to:

Greeters: Betty Irwin and Betty Irving

Lay Reader: Patricia Creed

Fellowship Time: Sandra Allan and Betty Ann Burn

Elevator Operator: Cameron Noy

Offering Counting: Joyce Nystrom and Brenda Snowdon Seabrook

Offering Collection: Russ Brown, Joyce Nystrom, Janet Taylor

Phoning/Visiting:

Next week's volunteers: Sept. 20th

Greeters: Betty Irwin and Betty Irving

Lay Reader: Evelyn Konrad

Fellowship Time: Donna and Fred Johnson

Elevator Operator: Cameron Noy

Offering Counting: Sandra Allan, Mickey Kennedy, Leila Pettigrew

Offering Collection: Russ Brown, Joyce Nystrom, Janet Taylor

Phoning/Visiting:

Grass Cutting:

September 8 to September 30 - Terry Casella

Next Sunday, September 20:



The Fellowship Committee invites everyone to a Welcome Back Luncheon following the worship service. Cold cuts and buns will be provided, but you are invited to bring your favourite salads and desserts to share!

The SILENT AUCTION at the Tea and Bazaar on October 24 will include TALENTS and SERVICES as well as GOODS. Please think about any talent or service that you can offer - yard cleanup time, snow shovelling, cooking, baking, artwork, music, driving, building, babysitting, sewing, crafts, boat ride, hiking experience - be creative! Contact Deb Broll at 577-2781

We have had a few requests for more handicap parking closer to the church doors. It has now been a couple months since the handicap parking sign has been moved to Grey St. Handicap parking will be in effect adjacent to the light pole to the new sign on Grey St PLUS 1 vehicle in the driveway to the cell tower. Please also take note that these are courtesy signs and apply only to Sunday services at this time. If you have any comments or suggestions feel free to contact Richard Noy or Jim Sutton or the church Secretary or use the request for action form. Your co-operation is appreciated.

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.

Upcoming Events at First

Mon., Sept. 14th - Cards afternoon resumes - 1 pm
Wed., Sept. 16th - Board of Managers - 6:30 pm
Thurs., Sept. 17th - Choir practice - 7 pm

The Board of Managers will be discussing the 2016 budget at their October meeting. To help things run smoothly, it's our policy to receive any 2016 requests for money or expenditures, and budgets for our various groups and committees no later than Sept. 30th. We are trying our best to run a balanced budget, but because of some surprise costs (such as elevator repairs), the Board has deferred some items scheduled for 2015. Any "unfinished" 2015 items can be resubmitted for 2016.

Thank you, Jim Sutton on behalf of the Board of Managers.

Bible Study resumes Thursday, September 24th. We meet every Thursday at 10 am in the John Currie room. Please join us for coffee/tea as we continue our study of Acts.