

Sunday, Feb 4th 2018

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

Pianist: Micah Pawluk Music Director: Kendall House

WE GATHER IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

*** Entry of the Bible**

Introit

Call to Worship

*** Hymn:** "All the way my Saviour leads me"

#699

"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.

Opening Prayer:

God of wisdom and blessing, on this cold day we come into the warmth of your presence. Here we find shelter in the strength of your promises; here we find welcome in your tender care. For you give blessing when the world condemns and you bring freedom when the culture confines. Yet, we confess that, too often, we seek the wisdom of the world instead of your guidance. We value our reputations above reconciliation and for our sins of pride, we are sorry. We know that our words are not always loving, nor our actions always just. Though our hearts are eager, our wills are weak. Forgive us, we pray. Uphold us and renew us by the blessing of your mercy so we may walk more humbly with you each day. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem

*** Children's Hymn:** "The love of God comes close"

#474

Sing last verse after Children's Time

Children's Time

Upcoming Events at First

Feb 3 rd	Shelter House	10:30-2:30
Feb 6 th	More than Mission	1:00 pm
Feb 8 th	Bible Study	10:00 am
	Choir Practice	6:30 pm
Feb 9 th	Crafts & Conversations	1:00 pm
Feb 10 th	Games Night	7-9 pm
Feb 11 th	Sunday Worship	11:00 am



PAR Cards:

If you submit your offering through PAR, there are cards at the entrance and in the choir room for you to put into the offering plate. We know that some of you are uncomfortable when the offering plate passes you, and you have nothing to put in it. Use one of the cards and they will be re-cycled by the counters. Hope this helps.

GAMES NIGHT ! Bring your favourite game, a munchie and your family and friends to games night on Saturday, Feb. 10th at 7:00. The variety of games adds to the fellowship and fun!

Singing Valentines: Serenade your sweetheart with a singing Valentine sung by a Gentlemen of Harmony Quartet. February 14th 9:00am -9:00pm. \$50, reserve your spot by calling Rod Johnson 623-5411 or Poul-Erik 621-2544.

Thank you, this week, to: Feb 4th
Greeters: Betty Irwin and Betty Irving
Lay Reader: Evelyn Konrad
Fellowship Time: Sandy Allan & Betty Ann Burn
Elevator Operator: Laird Morrison
Offering Counting: Doug & Joleen Brown & Deborah Broll
Offering Collection: Sandy Allan & Leila Pettigrew

Next week's volunteers: Feb 11th
Greeters: Betty Irwin and Betty Irving
Lay Reader: Lloyd Jones
Fellowship Time: Ruth George & Cheong Lo Lee
Elevator Operator: Ian Kinsman
Offering Counting: Kathleen & Richard Noy
Offering Collection: Sandy Allan & Leila Pettigrew



REMINDER: reports for inclusion in the 2017 Annual Report are due in the Church office no later than Feb 5th

Please save your cancelled stamps and place them in the basket in the narthex. They are used for leprosy mission work.

In order to separate church items from personal emails, we now have two email addresses specifically to send information to our church treasurer and our Chair of the Board of Managers.

Treasurer: FirstPresTreas@tbaytel.net

Chair of the Board of Managers: FirstPresBdChair@tbaytel.net

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Preparation: #575
 "Lead me, Lord, 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."

Bible Readings:

Genesis 9:18-27	P. 8	OT
Psalms 10:12-18	P.493-494	OT
Matthew 15:21-28	P. 17	NT

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: "Crumbs from the Master's Table"

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Tithes and Offerings

*** Offertory Response:** #830

"Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above, your heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost."

Prayer of Dedication:

Living God, your love for us is so unfathomable. Open our ears to hear the cries of your neediest children. Open our eyes compassion in all circumstances. Continue to increase our willingness to give, so that we may lead lives fully focused on ministry to others. We place these offerings upon your table in gratitude for your guidance and love. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation

*** Hymn:** "When all thy mercies, O my God" #443

Affirmation of Faith:

We believe in God above us; maker and Sustainer of all life, of sun and moon, of water and earth. We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the word made flesh. Born of a woman's womb, servant of the poor. He was tortured and nailed to a cross. A man of sorrows, he died alone. He descended to the place of death. On the third day he rose from the tomb. He ascended into heaven to be everywhere present, and his kingdom will come on earth. We believe in God within us; the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire, life-giving breath of the church, Spirit of healing and forgiveness, source of resurrection and of life everlasting.

Remembering the Meal with Jesus

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving:**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving:**

The Lord be with you;

And also with you.

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 God thanks and praise.

We give you thanks and praise, almighty God, for the gift of a world full of wonder, and for our life which comes from you. By your power, you sustain the universe.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

O God, You created us to love you with all our heart, and to love each other as ourselves, but we rebel against you by the wrong that we do. In Jesus, your Son, you bring healing to our world and gather us into one great family. Therefore, with all who serve you on earth and in heaven, we praise your wonderful name, as we say,

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

We give you thanks and praise, loving Father, because in sending Jesus, your Son, to us you showed us how much you love us. Jesus cares for the poor and the hungry. He suffers with the sick and the rejected. Betrayed and forsaken, he did not strike back but overcame hatred with love. On the cross he defeated the power of sin and death. Raising him from the dead, you show us the power of your love to bring new life to all your people.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

God our refuge and our strength, receive all we offer you this day, and through the death and resurrection of your Son transform us into his likeness. Send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts, that we may know the presence of Jesus in the breaking of bread, and share in the life of the family of your children.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

Father, you call us to be your servants; fill us with the courage and love of Jesus, that all the world may gather in joy at the table of your kingdom. We sing your praise as we proclaim the mystery of our faith.

Christ has died;

Christ is risen;

Christ will come again

Glory to God for ever and ever. Amen.

Sharing the Meal**Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (debts...debtors)****WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

Hymn: "O Master, let me walk with thee" **#642**

Blessing

Response: **#264**

"(Sing amen.) Amen, we praise your name, O God. (Sing amen.) Amen we praise your name, O God. (Sing amen.) Amen, amen, amen, amen, amen we praise your name, of God. (X2)

Postlude

(Please maintain a reverent silence and stillness during the Postlude)