

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday Apr 8th, 2018

Please stand at items marked * if you are able.

Passages in **Bold Print** are to be spoken in Unison

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 "Thine be the glory

#258

Opening Prayer:

Heavenly Father, we are blessed to find ourselves in your home and in your presence, mindful of your glory, awed by your forgiveness. We are reminded that we often find ourselves pursuing our agendas, our goals and our desires, and that we place the needs of our neighbours, our community and your will, after our own. We forget your great commandment to love our neighbours as ourselves. We realize that our human condition is flawed. We ask that you be present with us in your perfect love to guide us towards your will. Draw us nearer to you. We humbly approach you asking for forgiveness. We ask these things in the name of your Son Jesus, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Choir Anthem

***Children's Hymn** "At the dawning of salvation" **#248**

Sing last verse after Children's Time

***Children's Time**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Preparation: **#498 v.1**

"Sing the over again to me, wonderful words of life; let me more of their beauty see, wonderful words of life; words of life and beauty, teach me faith and duty. Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life, beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.

"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:

Jeremiah 29:10-14

pg. 731 OT

Psalms 124

pg. 517-518 OT

Romans 8:1-14

pg. 157-158 NT

Matthew 6:19-21

pg. 6 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: "Keep your fork"

Hymn "There is a redeemer"

#358

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Tithes and Offerings

*** Offertory Response:**

#626 v 3

"Lord of all bounty, I give you my heart; I praise and adore you for all you impart: your love to inspire me, your counsel to guide, your presence to cheer me, whatever betide."

***Prayer of Dedication:**

Father of eternal gladness, the fountain of life from whom flow endless blessings, all that we have is a gift of your love. Accept now these offerings of thanksgiving, symbols of our grateful response to Christ's sacrifice for us. Use our gifts to spread the good news of repentance and forgiveness of sins. May they bring times of refreshment for the body of your church, as results of Christ's presence. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer (debts...debtors)

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

***Hymn:** "I danced in the morning/Lord of the dance" **#250**

Blessing

"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!"

Postlude: (Please maintain a reverent silence and stillness.)