

SUMMERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Our mission is to know, love and serve God wherever we are and to inspire others to do the same by our thoughts, words and deeds.

Prelude: Guest pianist, Jason Chen

Thoughts for Reflection:

“Vocation does not come from a voice ‘out there’ calling me to be something I am not. It comes from a voice ‘in here’ calling me to be the person I was born to be, to fulfill the original selfhood given me at birth by God... For each one of us, there is only one thing necessary: to fulfill our own destiny, according to God’s will, to be what God wants us to be.”

~ Thomas Merton

What is the “larger purpose” of your life?

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Call to Worship:

We who dwell in the shelter of the Most High
Seek God here.

We who come to be inspired and changed
Seek God’s Spirit here.

We who know how little we know
Seek God’s Word here.

HYMN: GOD OF WONDERS

Prayer of Approach & Confession:

*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 debts as we forgive our debtors. 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.*

Assurance of God’s Love
Welcome & Announcements

HYMN: #510 DEEP IN THE SHADOWS OF THE PAST

LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD

Prayer for Understanding

Exodus 3:1-15

Responsive Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b, Refrain #1

Matthew 16:21-28

Gloria Patri

Ministry of Music: "Lord of the Dance" (19 c. Shaker tune, arr by L. Larson)

Sermon

~ sopranos Lori Linkletter & Nora Mallett

HYMN: #592 I, THE LORD OF SEA AND SKY

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Offertory: "Hymn of Promise" (N. Sleeth, arr by L. Larson)

Doxology

~ sopranos Lori Linkletter & Nora Mallett

Offertory Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

*Hear our prayer, O God, hear our prayer, O God;
incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace.*

HYMN: #587 CALLED AS PARTNERS IN CHRIST’S SERVICE

Benediction

Sending Forth Blessing: “May the God of Hope Go With Us Everyday”

Welcome to SPC. We welcome everyone to our worship service this morning. If you are worshipping with us for the first time or visiting after a time away, please sign the guest book in the entrance. If you are new to our community and would like more information about our church family and its ministries, please feel free to speak to Rev. Brad or to today’s greeter. You can also check us out online at www.summersidepresbyterianpei.ca.

Scent Free Environment: To help make our church welcoming to everyone, including those with sensitivities to scents & perfumes, we would ask that you respect SPC as a scent free environment.

“Pew Packs” with crayons & activity sheets are available for children on the table in the Foyer. Also, the Nursery is available on a self serve basis.

Many thanks to Lori Linkletter, Nora Mallett and Jason Chen for sharing their gifts of music with us today.

Lori Linkletter, daughter of Graeme and Kay Linkletter, lives in Charlottetown and teaches music in her home studio. Lori is a well-known choral conductor on the Island and recently she has directed musicals for children at The Guild in Charlottetown. **Nora Mallett**, a member of Spring Park United Church choir, sings frequently for church fundraisers and funerals. Nora is the proud mother of three beautiful children -- Emily, Sam and Jake. Eleven-year-old **Jason Chen** was born in Beijing, China. Jason has been living on PEI for seven years and has been studying piano for five years. Jason is entering Grade 6 at Immanuel Christian School in Charlottetown and he loves music and playing video games. In 2015 Jason was chosen to be the Provincial Music Festival participant and in 2017 he won the Junior Piano division in the PEI Provincial Music Festival. Many thanks to Lori, Nora and Jason for sharing their gifts of music with us today."



This Week:

Today, Sept 3: Morning Worship 10:30
Fundscrip order

Sunday, Sept 10: Morning Worship 10:30
Fundscrip pick up



Today is order day. Specials this month are Roots 12% and Wayspa 13% (Pure Spa & Spa Smart, Charlottetown). Thank your continued support.



Our Vesey's "Fundraising with Flowers" Fall Fundraising Campaign begins today. A great way to purchase some new things or old favourites for your garden. SPC receives 50% of all sales!

Ordering is really simple, just pick up a catalogue and an order sheet in the lobby. The deadline for orders is Oct 8th. For more info call Marilyn or Barry Bigger 902-436-3520 or email marilynmartin.martin@gmail.com.



The **Christmas Bazaar Work Bees** will resume on **Tuesday, September 19th, at 9am**. Please join us for lots of fun and fellowship as we use our gifts and talents to create wonderful items for the bazaar. If you cannot come on Tuesdays but would like to make items at home that would be great. Knitted items such as mittens, scarves, hats, leggings, headbands are all popular; Also wooden items for gardens and christmas. For more information contact Eileen Targett @ 436-9661, Susan Cameron @436-1171.



An Evening of Music featuring Men of the Harvest, Alan Sonier, Nathan Wiley and Louise Arsenault and family will be held at Centre 150 (150 Industrial Crescent) on Sunday, Sept. 17th at 7pm.

Admission \$10 at the door. This concert is in aid of the G'Ma Circle of PEI in support of Grandmothers in Africa raising their orphaned grandchildren. Funds also provide education about HIV/AIDS; prevention, treatments and living with AIDS, as well as providing medication to those afflicted.



The Kensington-New London Pastoral Charge is hosting a **Pastoral Care Workshop Saturday, Sept. 16.**, led by the Rev. Mark Buell, a minister in our Presbytery and chaplain at QEH.

This workshop will be of interest to anyone who wonders what to say to someone when visiting in hospital, or at the time of a death. Anyone wanting to learn more about pastoral care, visiting, and being an active listener is invited. The workshop is taking place at the Kensington P.C. from 10am-12, with a lunch to follow (donation to cover the cost of lunch is appreciated). If interested in attending please RSVP to Rev. Torrey by e-mail: torreygriffiths@gmail.com or by phone: [902-856-2352](tel:902-856-2352) by Friday Sept. 8.

With Heartfelt *Sympathy*

The congregations extends sincere sympathies to the following people who have experienced loss during the summer:

Audra & Kevin McCarville for the loss of Audra's brother.

Laura & Bobby Waugh for the loss of Laura's sister.

Sharon & Donald Condon for the loss of their son Nathan.



Things to Pray for this Week:

- *Pray for church schools that they may be welcoming, caring, fun and lead people of every age a little further along their journey of faith.
- *Pray for children, parents and teachers as they begin a new school year.
- *Pray that we might see the care of our world as a joyful and necessary part of our stewardship before God.