

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.

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OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Call to Worship:

We gather together in the name of Jesus Christ –
members of God’s family, and brothers and sisters to one another.

There are no outsiders here among us,
no one has any special standing or bragging rights.

For we have been brought together by the redeeming love of Jesus.

Let’s join together in worship!

HYMN: 10 000 REASONS

Opening Prayers

**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: #656 JESUS FRIEND OF ALL THE CHILDREN

The Sacrament of Baptism

LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD

Prayer for Understanding

HYMN: #229 JESU, JESU, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE

John 13:1-17

Ephesians 2:17-22

Gloria Patri



Ministry of Music: “Welcome to the Family” (D. Kerner)

Sermon: “1st Leg of the Table – Radical Hospitality”

HYMN: FOR EVERYONE BORN (vs 1 & 2)

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Offering & Doxology

Pastoral Prayer

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

HYMN MEDLEY: I LOVE YOU WITH THE LOVE OF THE LORD / THE BOND OF LOVE / BROTHER, SISTER, LET ME SERVE YOU

Benediction

Sending Forth Blessing: “Go Now in Peace”

As you prepare for this morning’s service to begin,
you are invited to reflect on the following thoughts...

“Tenuous, halfhearted coexistence isn’t a worthy aspiration for we who claim to follow or emulate Jesus, though that seems to be what far too many churches believe the goal to be. Christ calls his disciples to love one another, not to tolerate one another... If reluctantly putting up with people is the bar we’ve set in the Church, we’re hardly imitating Jesus, and we’re going to continue creating a table far too small for the name we claim.”

~ John Pavlovitz

*What makes you feel welcomed in another person’s home?
What do you do to make others feel welcome in your home?
How do we practice those things as a community?*



We celebrate today with Emily Perry and Christopher Gallant on the occasion of the baptism of their daughter Harper Rose.



The congregation extends its deepest sympathy to Linda Berdan on the death of her sister.

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.

Our Worshipping Community: Here at SPC, we believe that worship is something that God calls each of us to. Therefore, we strive to provide worship experiences that will be meaningful for all ages. Children are encouraged to join us and worship alongside their parents and guardians. At the front of the sanctuary there is a table for those who wish to do theme-related activities as a part of worship. Through the door on the left you will find a nursery where our youngest members can play while being supervised by a weekly volunteer.



It is no secret that the health of any relationship is dependent, in large part, to regular communication. Our relationship with God is no different. Being intentional about spending time in prayer enables us to sharpen our ability to see just where and how God continues to be at work in the world around us. In short, prayer is one of the most effective ways to strengthen and grow in our faith!

Things to Pray for this Week:

- ✓ Give thanks for Presbyterians who strive to support peace efforts, build respect for human rights, reduce poverty, honour right relationships between Indigenous and non- Indigenous people, and care for God's creation.
- ✓ Give thanks for the joy and laughter we see in the young and young at heart. Let us enjoy these gifts and share joys with others.



This Week:
Today, Feb 25: Morning Worship 10:30
Fundscrip pick up
Thurs, Mar 1: KD Lunch 11:15
Sun, Mar 4: Morning Worship 10:30
Fundscrip order



Today is pick up. The upcoming order dates are Mar 4th & 18th. Thanks for your support!



KD Lunch is on Thursdays from 11:15 to 1:00. Come help out in the kitchen, share with other volunteers and interact with some awesome youth! Sign up sheet is in lobby.



Mar 2: World Day of Prayer - St Paul's Catholic 1:00
Mar 9: St Mary's Anglican - 12:00
Mar 16: Church of the Nazarene - 12:00
Mar 23: Salvation Army Church - 12:00 p.m.
Mar 30: Cross Walk, starting at St Mary's Anglican 2:00

A Grief Support Group starts at PCH on **Wed March 7th from 2:30 -4:30**, running consecutively until Wed, April 11th. The group is for those who are grieving the death of a loved one, seeking further support, guidance and the opportunity to share their experience. The group will be limited to ten participants and will be co-facilitated by; Rev. Paul Wilkie, Hospital Chaplain, and Willard Day, East Prince Hospice. This is a closed support group (**no drop-ins**). Participants are asked to **commit to all 6 sessions. Please register at 902-438-4374.**

Statement on the Gift of Baptism

Baptism is a gift from God. We do not earn it or buy it or purchase it.

Baptism is an outward sign of an inner grace –

already at work, already active and present.

Baptism is a sign that God, in Christ,

has done everything necessary to redeem us.

In receiving baptism,

we claim this mystery of faith for ourselves and for our children.

God claimed and chose us first, long before we could choose God.

By baptism we know, once again, that God is with us even
to the end of the age.

In the Presbyterian Church, we only baptize once.

There is no need for second baptism—

once is powerful and effective enough—

even if you were baptized as an infant and don't remember it!

Indeed, if you cannot remember your baptism,

you are doubly blessed.

Not only did God love you first, before you could love God,

but other faithful people loved you

and took the responsibility to be an usher of God's

grace for you from your very beginning.

This act of a baptism is, indeed, an outward, visible sign,

of an inward and active grace.

It is a celebration of all that God has already done,

and all that God will faithfully do.

And so I invite all of you to remember your own baptism,

as we celebrate this sacrament together.