

# 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.**

~ March 18, 2018 ~

## OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Call to Worship:

Though we may be inclined to brag,  
let us come together with humility.

**How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.**

Though we may be tempted to use harsh words,  
let us come together with gentleness.

**How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.**

Though we may want everything to happen quickly,  
let us come together with patience.

**How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.**

Though the world around often encourages hate,  
let us come together in love.

**How good a thing it is when all of God's people live together in unity.**

In humility, gentleness, patience, love, and unity,  
**Let us worship the God who has called us together.**

## HYMN: COME, NOW IS THE TIME TO WORSHIP

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: #700 PRAISE OUR MAKER, PEOPLES OF ONE FAMILY

### LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Understanding

Psalm 133, refrain#2

Acts 2:42-47

Gloria Patri

Ministry of Music: "My Soul Longs for the Lord" (K.&K. Getty & G. Kendrick)

Sermon: "4<sup>th</sup> Leg of the Table – Agenda-Free Community"

## HYMN: FOR EVERYONE BORN

### 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: #479 THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

Benediction

Sending Forth Blessing: "Go Now in Peace"

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

*"At the table, Jesus had wisdom to share, hard words to give, and purpose to call people to, but more than that he had their humanity to affirm. He allowed them the dignity of being seen and heard and known. Imagine what it would look like if we oriented ourselves around that pursuit, if we had no other agenda than walking alongside people sharing the view of God from where we stand, not needing them to see what we see, or believing what we believe, but to encounter Jesus on our very flesh."*

~ John Pavlovitz

*What is your motivation for inviting people to church?  
How can you discern between a worthy motive and a hidden agenda?*



**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](http://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.



**This Week:**

**Today, Mar 18: Morning Worship 10:30**

**Fundscrip order**

**Tues, Mar 20: COJ 1:30 "Wisdom"**

**Wed, Mar 21: Session 7:00**

**Thurs, Mar 22: KD Lunch 11:15**

**Clothing Sale Set up**

**Fri, Mar 23: Fellowship Friday 10:30**

**Clothing Sale**

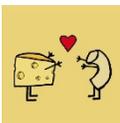
**Sat, Mar 24: Clothing Sale**

**Sun, Mar 25: Morning Worship 10:30**

**Fundscrip order**



**Today is order day.** Specials for March are Amazon.ca 2.5%, Build a Bear 9%, Stokes & Think Kitchen 8%. **The next order date is April 1<sup>st</sup>.** 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.



**Faith & Fellowship Fridays will resume after Easter.**



**Mar 23:** Salvation Army Church - 12:00 p.m.

**Mar 30:** Cross Walk, St Mary's Anglican 2:00



**The PCH Auxiliary and Circle of JOY** will once again have a "gently" used clothing sale here on **March 23 & 24.** We will need donations of good used men's, women's and children's clothing. Items can be brought to church on Thurs, March 22, after 1 pm. The COJ receives a percentage of all sales, and the PCH Auxiliary uses the proceeds to fund their projects at PCHospital. It's a win/win project for both groups, and recycles a lot of used clothing! The clothing left from the sale goes to the used clothing store run by the Western Hospital Auxiliary in Alberton, so nothing is wasted. Anyone who can spare a few hours to help the Auxiliary sort clothing and arrange the sale on March 22 would be appreciated.



Thank you to Rev. Brad and Chad Bolton and those members of SPC who visited, called, sent cards and prayers during our illnesses. A special thank you to Eileen Targett and the members of the Meal Ministry for all the dinners they brought to our house. We at SPC are truly blessed to have such a ministry.  
~ Don and Vera Hoeg



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:

- ✓ Thank God for the many signs of new life that spring brings and for farmers preparing their fields for planting.
- ✓ Pray for farmers in Nicaragua who are receiving support from PWS&D to plant community nurseries and break cycles of ongoing hunger and malnutrition.
- ✓ Pray for the health of all care chaplains serving across Canada in hospitals, retirement homes and other health care facilities.