

# 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.**

~June 17, 2018 ~

## OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Call to Worship

**HYMN: HERE I AM 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: BLESSED BE YOUR NAME**

## LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Understanding

Psalms 92:1-4, 12-15, refrain#1

Mark 4: 1-9, 26-34

Gloria Patri

Ministry of Music: "I Knew My Father Knew" (S. DeFord)

Sermon Marilyn Bigger and Susan Cameron

**HYMN: #787 THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS JUSTICE AND JOY**

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Offering & Doxology

Pastoral Prayer (see insert)

**HYMN: #687 BLESSED ASSURANCE, JESUS IS MINE**

Benediction

Sending Forth Blessing: "Go Now in Peace"

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Thoughts for Reflection:

*"Whether people notice it or not,  
the kingdom has come right up to them."*

~ Karl Barth



*"Enlightenment is complete co-operation with the inevitable"*

~ Father Anthony de Mello

**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, June 17: Morning Worship 10:30  
Fundscrip pick up**
- Tues, June 19: COJ 10:00 Lunch to follow  
Presbytery 6:30, North Tryon**
- Wed, June 20: Session 7:00**
- Sun, June 24: Morning Worship 10:30  
Fundscrip order  
Concert 7pm**

Hello everyone; As the cool spring days continue, it's hard to believe summer is just around the corner. In a couple of weeks, we'll reach the halfway mark in our fiscal year. It's been a challenging year for SPC so far. As at May 31<sup>st</sup>, our budget shortfall stands at \$16,915.88 While we continue to support a number of fundraising initiatives, our general offering revenue has dropped by \$5,274.70 when compared to last year. As attendance over the summer months tends to drop off a bit, it serves to further compound the problem. If you're not already using it, our PAR program is one way to balance out your offering support during times you may be away or otherwise travelling this summer. It's still within reach to address our financial challenge, and as always, we appreciate your continued support. Sincerely, F&P committee.

**FündScrip** Today is pick up. Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup> is the next order date. Thank you for your support!



**Circle of Joy will be meeting June 19, 10A.M.** to clean the kitchen followed by a light lunch (finger foods) at 12 noon



Please join us on **June 24 at 7pm as Tyne Valley Community Choir presents, "Celebrating Canadian Songwriters"**. Admission is by donation of non perishable food items for the local food bank. A freewill offering will be taken during the evening. Refreshments will be served following the concert.



- ✓ Pray for God's blessing and safety for those serving at home and abroad in Canada's Armed Forces. Give them courage and a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be.
- ✓ We give thanks for ministry students who are serving in rural and remote congregations and ministries across Canada this summer. May they be blessed by and be a blessing to the communities they are serving.
- ✓ Give thanks for Indigenous leaders of all ages and nations who are contributing to their communities, and to Canada, through art, literature, language preservation, health care, law and education.

## Pastoral Prayer

Gracious God, you hold all things in your hands. We may plant seeds but it is your mysterious power that brings forth the plant. We do our small part but it is your power that establishes your Kingdom. We are grateful that we have a place in your plans and trust you fully as you bring about your desired outcome. Hear us as we seek to conform our prayers to your purposes.

We pray for the troubled places of our world. (Pause)

Come in all your glory and plant seeds of your kingdom. Watch over the tender new life and bring it to maturity.

We pray for our city of Summerside and all those within this community that are facing suffering and challenges. (Pause)

Come in all your glory and plant seeds of your kingdom. Watch over the tender new life unfolding around them.

We pray for The Presbyterian Church in Canada and for its courts, committees and agencies. We pray especially for The Presbytery of Prince Edward Island and the ministries within that seek to further your kingdom. (Pause)

Come in all your glory and plant seeds of your kingdom. Watch over the tender new life and bring it to maturity.

We pray for ourselves, inviting you into the emptiness, neediness or imperfections that trouble us. (Pause)

Come in your majesty and plant seeds of your kingdom. Watch over the tender new life pushing its way into reality.

We pray for people dear to us who are struggling with challenging circumstances. We lay before you, in the quiet of this place, the prayers of our hearts... (Pause)

Come to them in all your glory and plant seeds of your kingdom. Watch over the tender new life unfolding in and around them.

Grant loving God, as we leave this place of worship that we may serve you and nurture the good that you have already placed in our lives and world. Keep us open to your Spirit and love. In all that we do may we first seek your leading.

♪ Hear our prayer, O God. Hear our prayer, O God. ♪  
Incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace.