

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.

As you prepare yourself for worship this morning, we invite you to reflect on the following thoughts:

"It is also a matter of love. Every human being is precious. We are all... part of God's family. We all must be allowed to love each other with honor. Yet all over the world, lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people are persecuted. We treat them as pariahs and push them outside our communities. We make them doubt that they too are children of God. This must be nearly the ultimate blasphemy. We blame them for what they are."

- Desmond Tutu

What does it mean to a
"household of God"?



Who are the people who may be effectively kept out by the walls of your church, both physical and metaphorical?

Ministry Teams

Here at Summerside Presbyterian, congregational life is organized around our 5 Ministry Teams:

Worship: The goal of this team is to attend to all of the various aspects that contribute to our weekly worship services: from decorating the sanctuary to greeting at the door and everything in between. The team leader is Rev. Brad (902-432-7924).

Fellowship: This team works to ensure that there are lots of opportunities for us to get together as a church family such as after-worship fellowship lunches and our Family Fun Nights. This team is integral to the life of our church. The Fellowship Team leaders are Sue Perry (902-888-2328) and Nancy MacDougall (902-436-3644).

Pastoral Care: This dedicated team works alongside Rev. Brad and the elders to ensure that those in our church family feel cared for during times of challenge. Whether it be visiting those in hospital or confined to home, this team is always working to manifest God's love within our congregation. The team leader is Betty Robertson (902-436-3905).

Christian Development: This team provides opportunities for those of all ages within our church family to explore and learn more about their faith. Chances to learn and grow in our faith are a key part of life here at Summerside Presbyterian. The team leader is Rev. Brad (902-432-7924).

Mission & Outreach: Emil Brunner has famously said that "The Church exists by mission, just as a fire exists by burning. Where there is no mission, there is no Church". Our Mission and Outreach Ministry Team support various missions within our congregation, our community, and beyond. The contact people are Ken Targett (902-436-9661) and Sue Perry (902-888-2328).

If you would like more information about any of our Ministry Teams, or would like to get involved, we encourage you to speak to Rev. Brad or the Team Leader.

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***"to know, love and serve God
wherever we are and to inspire others
to do the same by our thoughts,
words and deeds"***

SPC Mission Statement

Order of Worship

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: OH HOW GOOD IT IS

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: 10 000 REASONS

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Understanding

Luke 15:1-32

Ephesians 2:11-22

Gloria Patri

Ministry of Music: "Pieces of String" (M. Pendergast)

Sermon: "Who's Outside of the House?"

HYMN: O GOD, IN YOUR LOVE

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Offertory: "This I Know" (M. Pendergast)

Doxology

Pastoral Prayer

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

HYMN: THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

Benediction

Sending Forth Blessing: "Go Now in Peace"



This Week:

Today, July 22: Morning Worship 10:30

Sun, July 29: Morning Worship 10:30

Guest Minister: Rev. Linda Berdan

Musical Guests ~ Marilyn Bigger &
Susan Cameron



Today is order day. Thank you
for your support!



Join us for the always popular "Ladies of the
Century" concert here, **July 30 at 7pm**. Tickets \$12
at the door.

Michael and Shane Pendergast are a father and son musical duo from Tracadie, PEI. Michael is known for his many appearances across the Island, performing for both adults and children. Shane is currently a student at York University in Toronto where he studies film. Shane and Michael enjoy performing together and spend the summer months playing music in various Ceilidh venues across the Island, including Malpeque Hall on Wednesday evenings and Clinton Barn on Sunday and Tuesday evenings.

*Thank you, Shane and Michael, for sharing your
gifts of music with us this morning.*



This morning, we welcome members of
the Pride community, as they celebrate
the beginning of Pride Week on PEI.

In 2017 the General Assembly of our National Church
directed the Moderator to draft a Letter of Repentance
to the LGBTQI Community. That letter can be found at
<http://presbyterian.ca/sexuality/>

O God, in Your Love



O God, in your love,
you have made us unique:
In gifts and traditions, in service we seek,
In race and in culture and family design –
Diverse are the branches
in Jesus the Vine.

Lord Jesus, you came
to bring God's love on earth;
You welcomed the outcasts
and showed us our worth.
You reached out to people
whom others despised –
You said all are precious
in God's loving eyes.

O Christ, with your welcome
your church feels unease:
We stand at closed doors
tightly holding the keys.
Yet this your body,
the church that you love –
O Lord, do you weep for
your church from above?

So may your church welcome
in loving accord
All people who want
to serve Jesus our Lord.
O Spirit, unite us in Jesus the Son –
In mission and ministry,
God, make us one.