

Announcements

*Our Annual Meeting will be held immediately after worship this morning
and will be a time of celebrating the year past
and looking forward to the year ahead.
Please plan to join us!*

Ladies Breakfast Saturday, March 2 at 9am at Star Café. All ladies welcome!

Summerside and Area World Day of Prayer service takes place here at SPC on **Friday, March 1 at 11:00 am**. The theme for this year's service is "I beg you, bear with one another in love", and is based in Palestine.

Lunch will be served after the service. Storm date is Friday, March 8.

For more information email marilynmartin.martin@gmail.com or go to Women's Inter-Church Council - wicc.org

Starting February 15, the **Queen Elizabeth Hospital Foundation** is selling locally grown **Vanco Tulip bouquets** in support of the essential medical and technology equipment for the QEH. Each bouquet has 10 stems and costs \$10 with a minimum order of 5 bouquets. Bring a little spring into your office or home by **preordering your bouquets online at qehfoundation.pe.ca/tulips or by calling 902-894-2425. Order deadline is February 29!**

Pick up will be available Thursday, March 7 in Charlottetown, Summerside or Montague. Visit www.qehfoundation.pe.ca/tulips for more information on each location.



Have you signed up to receive emails from the church?
It's a quick and easy way to stay connected with your church family!
Speak to Rev. Brad or our church administrator
Cheri for more information.

Mission Moment

"We really appreciate the program, as we are in dire need to keep the education going for our kids," shared a grateful parent. For Afghan children who sought refuge in Pakistan, education is often out of reach because they are not nationals. PWS&D supports the Digital Learning Center in Peshawar, which provides out-of-school children and adults with basic digital literacy classes, high school courses and tutoring sessions that aim to help a total of 520 students. Students and their family members are benefiting from the Darakht-e Danesh Library, which provides free and open educational resources on such topics as math, language, business and the sciences. Students access classes both in English and Dari/Farsi, equipping them with essential skills and providing hope for those who have lost so much, broadening their opportunities for the future.

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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

Our Approach to God

Prelude

Call to Worship:

How shall we come before our God?
We come to celebrate God's goodness and grace.

As we worship, what does the Lord require of us?
God calls us to do justice and to love kindness.

As we serve, what does the Lord require of us?
God calls us to walk and worship in humility

Let us worship, love and serve each other.

Hymn: **#194 Come, let us to the Lord our God**

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

Children's Time & Hymn: **#201 We come to ask your forgiveness**

Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings: Exodus 2:11-25

Ministry of Music: "Be Thou My Vision" - arr. Alice Parker

Message: "The Second Week of Lent:
Paying Attention, Seeing Injustice"

Hymn: **#635 Brother, sister, let me serve you**

Our Response to God's Word

Pastoral Prayer

Stewardship Moment

Reflection / Doxology & The Presentation of Gifts / Prayer

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures high & low
Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.***

Hymn: **#730 O for a world where everyone**

Benediction & Dismissal: **Go Now in Peace**

Postlude

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

"We consciously see only a small subset of our visual world, and when our attention is focused on one thing, we fail to notice other, unexpected things around us – including those we might want to see."
~ Daniel Simons, Psychologist



"Your freedom is shackled in chains to mine. And until I am free, you are not free either."
~ Fannie Lou Hamer

Consider the books you read, the news media you consume, the movies and TV you watch, and the restaurants you support. Think about the leadership of organizations you participate in. How many of these personal and professional contexts are mostly or entirely white or male or nondisabled or heterosexual? Begin to notice the ways you interact daily with people who are similar to you.

Things to pray for this week...

We pray for inclusive communities who come together to explore important life questions, support each other in living with purpose and meaning, and work towards peace and justice.

We pray for the discovery of new, faithful, and hopeful directions for congregations that do not have the finances to call a part-time minister.



We lift up in prayer the United Nations International Decade for People of African Descent (2015–2024) and pray for a world of justice and equity where anti-Black racism is eradicated.

Scripture Reading: Exodus 2:11-25 (NIV)

¹¹ One day, after Moses had grown up, he went out to where his own people were and watched them at their hard labor. He saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his own people. ¹² Looking this way and that and seeing no one, he killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand. ¹³ The next day he went out and saw two Hebrews fighting. He asked the one in the wrong, "Why are you hitting your fellow Hebrew?"

¹⁴ The man said, "Who made you ruler and judge over us? Are you thinking of killing me as you killed the Egyptian?" Then Moses was afraid and thought, "What I did must have become known."

¹⁵ When Pharaoh heard of this, he tried to kill Moses, but Moses fled from Pharaoh and went to live in Midian, where he sat down by a well. ¹⁶ Now a priest of Midian had seven daughters, and they came to draw water and fill the troughs to water their father's flock. ¹⁷ Some shepherds came along and drove them away, but Moses got up and came to their rescue and watered their flock.

¹⁸ When the girls returned to Reuel their father, he asked them, "Why have you returned so early today?"

¹⁹ They answered, "An Egyptian rescued us from the shepherds. He even drew water for us and watered the flock."

²⁰ "And where is he?" Reuel asked his daughters. "Why did you leave him? Invite him to have something to eat."

²¹ Moses agreed to stay with the man, who gave his daughter Zipporah to Moses in marriage. ²² Zipporah gave birth to a son, and Moses named him Gershom, saying, "I have become a foreigner in a foreign land."

²³ During that long period, the king of Egypt died. The Israelites groaned in their slavery and cried out, and their cry for help because of their slavery went up to God. ²⁴ God heard their groaning and he remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac and with Jacob. ²⁵ So God looked on the Israelites and was concerned about them.