

Announcements

Wed, May 1, 6:30 Choir
Wed, May 1, 7:30 Session

Please join us following the service for a Baked Potato lunch with all your favourite toppings in celebration of Mission Awareness Sunday.
Donations will be forwarded to PWS&D.
Thank you to Waugh's for donating the potatoes!!

Salvation Army – Help Needed

Help provide a safe place for those in need. The Salvation Army Summerside is looking for churches to create a team of 5-6 people to help serve in the soup kitchen from 11-1pm Tuesday's & Friday's. Once you have a team, email: elaine.brave@salvationarmy.ca

They are also in need of an on-call cook to help when their regular cook is unavailable. Major Elaine Braye would love to hear from you if this is something you are interested in. You can reach her at the email listed above.

An offering plate can be found on a small table in the center aisle. By receiving peoples' gifts each week, worshipers are given an opportunity to contribute to the ministry that Christ does in and through our church family. During the Stewardship Moment of the service, these gifts will be brought forward and dedicated to this purpose.



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

The Reformed Parish in Csap/Chop, a congregation of the Reformed Church in Transcarpathia in western Ukraine, has been providing temporary shelter and food for people displaced by the war. Their social kitchen program includes hot food delivery to elderly congregation members who live alone and are unable to cook for themselves. With limited resources, Bishop Zan-Fabian reached out to the PCC for financial support to continue this ministry of care. The PCC provided a grant from Presbyterians Sharing, fulfilling the law of Christ to bear one another's burdens.

SUMMERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Mission Awareness Sunday

*“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:

Like spring breaking through winter's power,
God's resurrecting power breaks into our lives in surprising ways.

Like the vine that supports blossoms and fruit,
God's Word upholds the church in strength.

Let us worship God who makes all things new.
We will praise God who brings growth and renewal to all life.

Hymn: **#371 Love divine, all loves excelling**

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: **#773 Jesus bids us shine**

Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings: John 15:1-8
Psalm 22:25-31
1 John 4:7-21

Ministry of Music

Message: *"Bearing Fruit Together"*

Hymn: **#764 There's a spirit in the air** (verses 1-6)

Our Response to God's Word

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.***

Pastoral Prayer

♪ ***Hear our prayer, O God. Hear our prayer, O God.*** ♪
Incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace.

Hymn: **#755 Go ye, go ye into the world**

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...

*"Show me that you are redeemed, and I will believe in your Redeemer."
~ Friedrich Nietzsche*

*"The best remedy for a sick church is to put it
on a missionary diet."
~ Oswald Smith*



*What do you think of when you hear the word "abide" or "remain?"
Are these things that come naturally to you, or do they take active
effort on your part?*

Things to pray for this week...

We give thanks for the service of all former PCC mission staff who worked with the church outside of Canada in creative and courageous ways and often under difficult circumstances.

We pray for for the congregation fo St. John's Presbyterian Church in Belfast, PEI as they move through the discernment process of seeking a new minister.

We pray for people living in long-term care facilities, that they may continue to be engaged participants in the life and ministry of a congregation.



Scripture Reading: John 15:1-8 (NRSVUE)

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. ²He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. ⁷If you abide in me and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

Scripture Reading: 1 John 3:16-24 (NRSVUE)

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹²No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us, and his love is perfected in us.

¹³By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. ¹⁴And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. ¹⁵God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. ¹⁶So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. ¹⁷Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. ¹⁸There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. ¹⁹We love because he first loved us. ²⁰Those who say, "I love God," and hate a brother or sister are liars, for those who do not love a brother or sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen. ²¹The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.