

## Announcements

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.

### **Things to pray for this week...**

We pray for theological students serving in rural and remote congregations this summer.

We give thanks for the many people who joyfully support the congregations and ministries of The Presbyterian Church in Canada with gifts of time, talent and treasure.

We pray for Helena Human and the staff at our synod camp, Camp Geddie. May their summer be filled with blessings as they share the good news of God's love with all those who attend camp this year.



### **Mission Moment**

Since 1943, Camp Kannawin has faithfully gathered children and youth on the shores of Sylvan Lake, AB, for a summer of outdoor adventures, fun activities, and spiritual growth. Last year, the camp expanded its programming by partnering with Sphero, a leading name in educational robotics, to introduce the wonders of coding and robotics to campers. Now, campers have the opportunity to explore and engage in the world of technology as they learn to code their own robots, witness their creations come to life, and participate in fun challenges that foster collaboration and innovation. Due to popular demand, the programming is available again this summer.

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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:

The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it.  
**The world and those who live in it belong to God.**

So hear what God will speak:  
**God will speak peace to those who turn to him in their hearts.**

Then faithfulness will spring up from the ground,  
**and righteousness will look down from the sky.**

God's salvation is at hand for those who honour him.  
**May God's glory and justice dwell in our land.**

Hymn: **#490 God of grace and God of glory**

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: **#648 I'm gonna live so God can use me**

## Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings: Mark 6:6-20  
Psalm 85:8-13, refrain #1(responsive)  
Mark 6:21- 31

Ministry of Music

Message: *"The Necessity of a Congregational Bail Fund"*

Hymn: **Faith of our Fathers**

## 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: **#461 Be thou my vision**

Benediction & Dismissal: **#726 May the God of hope go with us**

Postlude

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

*"Occasionally we talk of our Christianity as something that solves problems, and there is a sense in which it does. Long before it does so, however, it increases both the number and the intensity of the problems."  
~ Elton Trueblood*

*"You cannot wish for both a strong character and an easy life.  
The price of each is the other."  
~ John Ortberg*



*"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing."  
~ Edmund Burke*

*Why is the message of repentance essential to the gospel?*

*What makes the message of repentance such an intolerable message to many people?*

## Scripture Reading: Mark 6:6-31 (NIV)

Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village. <sup>7</sup>Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits.

<sup>8</sup>These were his instructions: "Take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. <sup>9</sup>Wear sandals but not an extra shirt. <sup>10</sup>Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. <sup>11</sup>And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, leave that place and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them."

<sup>12</sup>They went out and preached that people should repent. <sup>13</sup>They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.

<sup>14</sup>King Herod heard about this, for Jesus' name had become well known. Some were saying, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead, and that is why miraculous powers are at work in him."

<sup>15</sup>Others said, "He is Elijah."

And still others claimed, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of long ago."

<sup>16</sup>But when Herod heard this, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised from the dead!"

<sup>17</sup>For Herod himself had given orders to have John arrested, and he had him bound and put in prison. He did this because of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, whom he had married. <sup>18</sup>For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." <sup>19</sup>So Herodias nursed a grudge against John and wanted to kill him. But she was not able to, <sup>20</sup>because Herod feared John and protected him, knowing him to be a righteous and holy man. When Herod heard John, he was greatly puzzled; yet he liked to listen to him.

~ Responsive Psalm 85:8-13 ~

<sup>21</sup>Finally the opportune time came. On his birthday Herod gave a banquet for his high officials and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee. <sup>22</sup>When the daughter of Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his dinner guests.

The king said to the girl, "Ask me for anything you want, and I'll give it to you." <sup>23</sup>And he promised her with an oath, "Whatever you ask I will give you, up to half my kingdom."

<sup>24</sup>She went out and said to her mother, "What shall I ask for?"

"The head of John the Baptist," she answered.

<sup>25</sup>At once the girl hurried in to the king with the request: "I want you to give me right now the head of John the Baptist on a platter."

<sup>26</sup>The king was greatly distressed, but because of his oaths and his dinner guests, he did not want to refuse her. <sup>27</sup>So he immediately sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. The man went, beheaded John in the prison, <sup>28</sup>and brought back his head on a platter. He presented it to the girl, and she gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup>On hearing of this, John's disciples came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

<sup>30</sup>The apostles gathered around Jesus and reported to him all they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, "Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest."