Announcements

Wed. Nov 27th Choir 6:30 Thurs. Nov 28th KD Lunch 11:00

You are invited to join us for a fun filled morning of festive cookie decorating, craft making, Christmas sharing, fellowship on Saturday December 7, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Bring your family and friends. This event is open to all ages. Don't forget to wear your favourite Christmas sweater!

Hi, everyone; As we mentioned last week, we're going to begin our fundraising campaign this Sunday using our "giving tree" in order to establish our year end goal and visually track our progress. Our budget deficit to the end of October, 2024 was \$20,296.21 including the cost of two building related expenses. With that in mind, as well as November and December to complete, we have set our target for this year's fundraising goal at \$20,000. If we are successful, we would cover our operating expenses for 2024 and hopefully have a small surplus to carry into January 2025.

We have a new feature to add to our tree this year. Located beside the donation ornaments you will find a box containing some small wooden stars. We would like to invite you to hang a star in memory of someone special, who is particularly missed this time of year. Please write their name on one of the stars and hang it on the tree, regardless of whether you use the donation ornaments or not. It would be a gentle reminder to everyone of people no longer with us, but who still shine in our memories. We would like to thank you for this year's ongoing support and wish you and your families all the best of the Christmas season. Sincerely, your Finance and Property Committee.

A Community Carol Sing will be held on Sun., Dec. 1 at 3 p.m. at Trinity United Church. Participants include the Silvertones, SPC Choir, and Trinity Choir. All are invited to join in the singing of familiar carols. Bring your family and friends!

The Tyne Valley and Area Community Choir will be presenting the Christmas cantata, "One Small Child", on Sunday, Dec 8th at 2:30pm at Central Street Christian Church, Summerside. All are invited!

Mission Moment

In Nicaragua, Urania is a 27-year-old mother who has many goals that she has not been able to achieve since becoming pregnant at the age of 17. Forced to drop out of high school, she dedicated herself to working to give her daughter the best. Now a single mother of two girls, earning an income has become increasingly difficult. With the support of PWS&D's local partner, who is working to empower young women and girls, Urania was able to start a café business. This initiative provides an income, as well as a flexible schedule that allows her to accompany her daughters in school and activities. She resumed her high school studies, improved her self-esteem and feels like an example for many young women.

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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

Call to Worship:

Say among the nations, The God reigns.

Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!

The Lord is coming to judge the earth.

God will judge the world with righteousness and truth.

So let us worship God with praise and honour. We will offer God our gratitude for all that God has done.

Hymn: #39 God of mercy, God of grace

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: #266 King of Kings

Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings: John 18:33-37

Psalm 93, refrain #1 Revelation 1:4b-8

The Word of God in Scripture.
The Word of God among us.
The Word of God within us.
Thanks be to God.

Ministry of Music: "Christ is King!"

Message

Hymn: #787 The kingdom of God is justice and joy

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

Lord Jesus, Reign among us in love.

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

Hymn: #274 Crown him with many crowns

Benediction & Dismissal: May the Lord bless you

Postlude

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

"Power is of two kinds. One is obtained by the fear of punishment and the other by acts of love. Power based on love is a thousand times more effective and permanent than the one derived from fear of punishment."

~ Mahatma Gandhi



What does it mean to be "in the world" and yet belong to God?

Things to pray for this week...

We pray for Jim & Rosemary Adams as they grieve the passing of their son, David. May the Lord surround them with comfort and peace.

We pray for Rev. Torrey Griffiths, the Interim Moderator, and the congregation of Hartsville Presbyterian Church. Together may they continue to find ways to worship and grow in their knowledge and service of Christ.

Tomorrow (November 25th) is the **International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women.** We pray for the healing and wellbeing of women who experience violence. May God's unfailing love guide our actions to build more equitable and just communities where all women may flourish and violence is ended.



Scripture Reading: John 18:33-37 (NIV)

- ³³ Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?"
- ³⁴ "Is that your own idea," Jesus asked, "or did others talk to you about me?"
- 35 "Am I a Jew?" Pilate replied. "Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?"
- ³⁶ Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place."
- ³⁷ "You are a king, then!" said Pilate.

Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me."

Scripture Reading: Revelation 1:4-8 (NIV)

John,

To the seven churches in the province of Asia:

Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

7"Look, he is coming with the clouds," and "every eye will see him, even those who pierced him"; and all peoples on earth "will mourn because of him."

So shall it be! Amen.

8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."