Announcements

Wed. Jan 15th – Choir 6:30 Thurs. Jan 16th – KD Lunch 11:00

The congregation extends its sympathy to Burt and Mary Wilcox and family on the death of Burt's sister, Sharon Ann Ellis and also to Lacey and Brad on the death of Lacey's cousin, Jimmy Roberts.



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

With support from Presbyterians Sharing, Hummingbird Ministries promotes healing for Indigenous generations, addressing the trauma of a colonial past while nurturing hopes for a brighter future. Led by the Rev. Mary Fontaine, the first Indigenous moderator of The Presbyterian Church in Canada, the ministry fosters healing and reconciliation through cultural arts, including dance and drama performances. Additionally, Hummingbird Ministries connects with congregations across the PCC to provide healing through workshops and events like National Indigenous Peoples Day, the Christmas Circle, and the Peace through the Arts Festival.

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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:

Beloved, God chooses us and calls us by name.

We belong to God. Alleluia!

Our lives have purpose because we belong to God.

We are called to be like Christ and follow him.

We will find joy, peace, and restoration through God's amazing grace. Let us worship God who claims us and loves us! Praise be to God!

Hymn: #448 O God beyond all praising

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: Jesus Loves Even Me

Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 42:18 – 43:7

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

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: "Sing to the Lord with a Joyful Sound"~ Jill Gallina

Message

Hymn: #371 Love's divine, all loves excelling

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: #686 How firm a foundation

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...



"Define yourself radically as one beloved by God. This is the true self. Every other identity is illusion."

~ Brennan Manning

We are all children of God. What does this mean to you?

Things to pray for this week...

Let us remember our baptism and pray that we will live in ways that fulfil the promises made on our behalf, and may we boldly confess Jesus Christ as our Lord and Saviour.

We pray for the Rev. Dr. Pat Dutcher-Walls, Moderator of the 2024 General Assembly, as she connects with Presbyterians across the country in her visits and through letters and articles.

We pray for St Paul's PC in Hamilton, Ontario as they engage in a community that is hurting from opioid addiction and homelessness, and for Hamilton Urban Core as it runs treatment and outreach services from its temporary home at St. Paul's.



Scripture Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7 (NIV)

But now, this is what the Lord says he who created you, Jacob, he who formed you, Israel:

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine.

² When you pass through the waters,

I will be with you;

and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you.

When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned;

the flames will not set you ablaze.

³ For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior;

I give Egypt for your ransom, Cush and Seba in your stead.

⁴ Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you,

I will give people in exchange for you, nations in exchange for your life.

⁵ Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will bring your children from the east and gather you from the west.

61 will say to the north, 'Give them up!' and to the south, 'Do not hold them back.'

Bring my sons from afar

and my daughters from the ends of the earth—

⁷ everyone who is called by my name,

whom I created for my glory,

whom I formed and made."

Scripture Reading: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22 (NIV)

¹⁵The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah. ¹⁶ John answered them all, "I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." ...

²¹ When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened ²² and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."