

Announcements

Today – Annual Meeting following the service
Wed. March 5th - Choir 6:30
Thurs. March 6th - KD Lunch
Tues. Mar 4th - Pancake Supper
Fri. Mar 7th – World Day of Prayer Service 11:00
Fri. Mar 14th - Pizza & Games

The Annual World Day of Prayer Ecumenical Service will be held here at SPC on Friday, March 7th at 11am. Please join us.

Hi, everyone; As we prepare for our annual meeting to recap 2024 and introduce our proposed budget for 2025, we wanted to share a few points relating to the past year. To begin with, in January 2024, we received a special donation to cover our deficit from the previous year, which was just over \$4,000.00. That donation was made so that we could begin 2024 without having to deal with a shortfall carried over from 2023, and was very much appreciated. As we progressed throughout 2024, we were fortunate enough to receive periodic donations which resulted in an increase of \$17,270.00 in offerings for 2024 when compared to 2023. Our annual "giving tree" event also saw an increase in 2024 with total pledges of \$15,980.00. As we present the budget for 2025, we felt it was important to identify these special gifts and acknowledge the fact that our success in ending the year with a surplus of \$9,732.98 was due to the special consideration of several people. As we prepare for 2025, we need to be mindful that it may not be possible to have this level of financial support repeated, and as such, you will see that reflected in the projections for 2025. We felt it was important to make these distinctions as discussions take place surrounding 2025. We also wanted to offer our sincere thanks to the congregation for your continued support of SPC.

Sincerely, your F&P committee.

Mission Moment

Josseling, an extroverted and enthusiastic 16-year-old, is committed and eager to get ahead. Beginning at 5 a.m., she and her mother have a stall selling fruits and vegetables at the Roberto Huembes Market in Nicaragua. Josseling attended entrepreneurship workshops run by PWS&D's partner, which helped her establish her successful market stall. One of Josseling's key principles is that "no one can leave the stand without buying," so she carefully considers her customers' budgets, asks about their specific needs, and adjusts the ingredients accordingly. This way, they can afford their purchases and will likely return to her for their next market visit. In addition to her market job, Josseling attends school, where she is currently a senior and dreams of becoming a doctor.

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Transfiguration 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

Call to Worship:

The church lives to praise God.

We have no higher calling than to offer the worship that belongs to God day by day, Sunday by Sunday.

Through the preaching of the Word and the celebration of the Sacraments, in praise, prayer, teaching and fellowship, God sustains the life of the church.

We worship God, offering ourselves in the service of Christ, rejoicing in the Holy Spirit

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

Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings: Luke 9:28-36

Psalm 99, refrain #1

Luke 9:37-43a

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: "Open My Eyes, That I May See - Clara Scott"

Message

Hymn: **#585 Christ, you call us all to service**

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: **#757 Come sing, O church, in joy**

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...



"The Lord is more constant and far more extravagant than it seems to imply. Wherever you turn your eyes the world can shine like transfiguration. You don't have to bring a thing to it except a little willingness to see. Only, who could have the courage to see it?"

~ Marilynne Robinson

"Seeing Jesus differently means seeing oneself and others differently too."

~ Lori Brandt Hale

Things to pray for this week...

Loving God, you hate nothing you have made, and your grace knows no bounds. You created us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. Create in us clean hearts and turn us around to follow you more nearly.

We pray for families in Malawi who, with PWS&D's support, are receiving training to help them build stronger livelihoods and adapt to the challenges of climate change and disasters.

We pray for the World Day of Prayer services that will be held across Canada in PCC churches.



Scripture Reading: Luke 9:28-36 (NIV)

About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray.²⁹ As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning.³⁰ Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus.³¹ They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem.³² Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him.³³ As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.)

³⁴ While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud.³⁵ A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him."³⁶ When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

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³⁷ The next day, when they came down from the mountain, a large crowd met him.³⁸ A man in the crowd called out, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son, for he is my only child.³⁹ A spirit seizes him and he suddenly screams; it throws him into convulsions so that he foams at the mouth. It scarcely ever leaves him and is destroying him.⁴⁰ I begged your disciples to drive it out, but they could not."

⁴¹ "You unbelieving and perverse generation," Jesus replied, "how long shall I stay with you and put up with you? Bring your son here."

⁴² Even while the boy was coming, the demon threw him to the ground in a convulsion. But Jesus rebuked the impure spirit, healed the boy and gave him back to his father.⁴³ And they were all amazed at the greatness of God.