

Announcements

Wed. Apr 30 - Choir 6:30
Thurs. May 1 - KD Lunch
Sun, May 4 – Potato Bar

The congregation extends its sincere sympathies to the entire Walker family on the passing of Carolyn.

You are invited to join us after worship next Sunday for our Baked Potato lunch in support of Presbyterian Sharing. Load up your potato with all your favourite toppings for this great agency of our church.

Environmental Health is offering its volunteer food safety courses and are now open for registration. This course is applicable to volunteers or staff with non-profit organizations. The course is being held at Trinity United Church, Tuesday May 13 6-9pm

Come enjoy the Summerside Community Choir for "Canada, This is our Home", this afternoon at 3pm. Tickets \$20. Pre-purchase from any member, online at communitychoirsside@gmail.com. or at the door.

Mission Moment

Do you know what *Presbyterians Sharing* is?

Presbyterians Sharing is the national church fund that supports the overall mission and ministry of The Presbyterian Church in Canada. Congregations commit to raising an accepted allocation each year.

Supported by *Presbyterians Sharing* and generous donations, a dedicated team brings the hope of Jesus to people in 24 prisons in Malawi. Overcrowding and underfunding means a lack of basic necessities. Stigma associated with imprisonment can result in abandonment by families and communities, leaving many feeling isolated and alone. Through weekly visits that include Bible study, prayer, and counselling, as well as monthly distribution of necessities such as bed mats, soap, toiletries, clothing, medicines and meal supplements for the most vulnerable, the Friends of Prisons ministry brings friendship and hope to prisoners.

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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

Call to Worship:

In life, in death, and in life beyond death,
The Risen Christ is Lord.

In success and discouragement, in fear and in hope,
The Risen Christ is Lord.

Of the poor and broken, of the sinner and the sinned against,
The Risen Christ is Lord.

In Church and community, in our hearts and our homes,
The Risen Christ is Lord, and so we gather to worship in his name.

Hymn #247 Christ the Lord is Risen Today

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 #250 Lord of the Dance

Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings: John 20:19-31
Acts 5:27-32

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: "Come Follow Me" (Albrecht & Althouse)

Sermon

Hymn #758 Christ's is the world

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

Hymn #255 Now Let the Vault of Heaven Resound (vs. 1-3)

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...

*"May the light of the resurrection illumine our minds and convert our hearts and make us aware of the value of every human life, which must be welcomed, protected and loved."
~ Pope Francis*



*"Pope Francis was a voice of mercy in a time of noise. He walked with humility, spoke with fire, and dared to love the unloved. He reminded the world that compassion isn't weakness, and faith doesn't have to shout to be heard. May he rest in the eternal peace he so often preached."
~ Bob Dylan*

Things to pray for this week...

We pray for church musicians and choirs who help lead congregations in worship and praise.

We give thanks for the Rev. Dr. Pat Dutcher-Walls as she connected with congregations this year.

We pray for the Rev. Hastings Phale as he prepares to travel to Canada to share with the General Assembly wonderful stories of God's work in Malawi prisons.



Scripture Reading: John 20:19-31 (NIV)

¹⁹On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

²¹Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." ²²And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

²⁴Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

²⁸Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

²⁹Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. ³¹But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Scripture Reading: Acts 5:27-32 (NIV)

²⁷The apostles were brought in and made to appear before the Sanhedrin to be questioned by the high priest. ²⁸"We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name," he said. "Yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and are determined to make us guilty of this man's blood."

²⁹Peter and the other apostles replied: "We must obey God rather than human beings! ³⁰The God of our ancestors raised Jesus from the dead—whom you killed by hanging him on a cross. ³¹God exalted him to his own right hand as Prince and Savior that he might bring Israel to repentance and forgive their sins. ³²We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."