

## Announcements

Following the service today    Fall Picnic  
Wed, Sept 24<sup>th</sup>                      Choir Practice 6:30  
Thurs, Sept 25<sup>th</sup>                    KD Lunch ~ cookies needed

Hello, everyone; Well, it seems like we just welcomed summer and here we are, beginning the fall season. Our operating budget to August 31st, currently has a deficit of \$24,862.23. It's a higher amount compared to the previous year, but we received some special gifts last year that were not available to us this year. It certainly leaves us with a greater challenge for our last quarter, but we've accomplished great things in the past and we're sure we will have your support as we move forward.

*Thank you once again, your F & P committee*

We have received a very generous offer to assist us with ongoing efforts to improve our budget deficit. We have been gifted approximately 60 pounds of high quality ground beef. This government inspected medium ground beef is packaged in vacuum sealed packages containing an average weight of one pound each and was quick frozen. We are offering it at \$8.50 per package and you will find an order sign-up sheet located in the lobby as you enter. This is a great opportunity to help out the church as well as obtaining a very useful item for the upcoming holidays.

Once we have the orders completed, we will arrange a pickup day and make it as convenient as possible. Your support will be greatly appreciated!

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.



### **Mission Moment**

Gifts to Presbyterians Sharing support the mission and ministry we do together, locally, nationally and internationally. Together we equip ministries in Canada, providing grants for congregations, camps, theological colleges and other ministries. We help congregations thrive with new opportunities during challenging times. We produce educational resources and host webinars and events. We support governance and justice work. We accompany mission partners in Canada and across the globe. We support ministries with Indigenous people. And so much more. We are called to proclaim the love of Jesus Christ through words and actions. When we put our gifts in God's hands, God does remarkable things.

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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:

Look! The Lamb of God,  
**Who takes away the sin of the world!**

He comes not in judgment, but in mercy,  
**To bear our burdens and cleanse our hearts.**

Let us behold him with awe and gratitude,  
**For through him, we are forgiven and made new.**

Come, people of God, lift up your voices!  
**We come to worship the Lamb who was slain – worthy is his name forever!**

Hymn **#654 O God of Bethel**

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 **#656 Jesus, Friend of All the Children**

## Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings: Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14

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: "Softly Now" - Linda Fletcher  
Ladies Choir

Sermon: "What Kind of God???"

Hymn: **Trust and Obey** (1-3, 5)

## 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 **#324 Great is Thy Faithfulness**

Benediction & Dismissal: **Go Now in Peace**

Postlude: Prelude in g minor

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

"You know, if every person watching this show... took a minute to reach out to one person you disagree with, someone you like and have a positive, considerate conversation not as liberals or conservatives, as Americans if we could all do that, we can make America great again. We really could. It starts with us."

~ Jimmy Kimmel



"I have come to regard with some suspicion, those who claim that the Bible never troubles them. I can only assume this means that they have not actually read it."

~ Rachel Held Evans

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

We pray for those who experience violence, those struggling for peace and justice and those who work for a world without war and violence.



We pray for people of all genders to experience safety and well-being. We give thanks for people and organizations that strive to establish gender equity in all aspects of society.

We pray for transformation within congregations that will inspire God's people to share love and healing in their communities through tangible acts of friendship and kindness.

We pray for Eileen Targett as she prepares for surgery this week.

**Reading:** Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14 (NIV)

The Lord dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah as he had promised. <sup>2</sup>Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. <sup>3</sup>Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him...

After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." <sup>2</sup>He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." <sup>3</sup>So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. <sup>4</sup>On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. <sup>5</sup>Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." <sup>6</sup>Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. And the two of them walked on together. <sup>7</sup>Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" <sup>8</sup>Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." And the two of them walked on together.

<sup>9</sup>When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar on top of the wood. <sup>10</sup>Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. <sup>11</sup>But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." <sup>12</sup>He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." <sup>13</sup>And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. <sup>14</sup>So Abraham called that place "The Lord will provide," as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."