### <u>Announcements</u>

Wed, Oct 1<sup>st</sup> Choir Practice 6:30
Thurs, Oct 2<sup>nd</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 signup 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**

Through generous gifts to Presbyterians Sharing, Place of Hope Indigenous Presbyterian Church is planting seeds of faith in the hearts of many children. These young ones grow up to become disciples and leaders, sharing and nurturing the love of Jesus in the lives of other children and youth. Sunday School lessons focus on the Seven Sacred Teachings and the Fruit of the Spirit, guiding children and youth to apply these important principles in their daily lives. Despite the challenges many of these children face, including family and friends struggling with addiction and illness, these lessons help cultivate resilience, hope, and the understanding that no act of kindness is too small. Whether it's offering a smile, carrying a bag of groceries, or helping a friend, everyone can share God's love.

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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:

Jesus said, "Do you believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these."

We come with faith, expecting to see the glory of God revealed!

"You will see heaven opened," Jesus said, "and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

We gather in awe, for heaven touches earth in Jesus Christ!

Let us open our hearts to the One who knows us, calls us, and shows us the way to the Father.

We worship the Son of Man—our Savior, our King, our bridge between heaven and earth!

(based on John 1:50-51)

Hymn #420 Praise, I Will Praise

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 #328 This is My Father's World

# Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Readings: Genesis 27:1-4, 15-23; 28:10-17

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: "Count Your Blessings"

Sermon: "Meeting God in the Mess"

Hymn #650 He Leadeth Me (verses 1-3)

## 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 #687 Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine

Benediction & Dismissal: Go Now in Peace

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

"I live in the faith that there is a Presence and Power greater than I am that nurtures and supports me in ways I could not even imagine. I know that this Presence is All knowing and All Power and is Always right where I am"

~ Freest Holmes



"He didn't know how it was to be done but he felt quite sure now that he would be able to do it. The Lion drew a deep breath, stooped its head even lower and gave him a Lion's kiss. And at once Digory felt that new strength and courage had gone into him."

~ C.S. Lewis

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

We honour Survivors of residential schools, children who died and members of their families. The Church has committed itself to the ongoing work of responding to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's 94 Calls to Action and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as the framework for reconciliation.

We honour the lives of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls who have faced terrible violence, and pray for their families who seek justice and peace. We pray that all Indigenous people experience safety and wellbeing.

We pray that those called as leaders would be captured by God's vision for the church and the world in this time and place.

## **Scripture Reading:** Genesis 27:1-4, 15-23 & 28:10-17

When Isaac was old and his eyes were so weak that he could no longer see, he called for Esau his older son and said to him, "My son."

"Here I am," he answered.

<sup>2</sup>Isaac said, "I am now an old man and don't know the day of my death. <sup>3</sup>Now then, get your equipment—your quiver and bow—and go out to the open country to hunt some wild game for me. <sup>4</sup>Prepare me the kind of tasty food I like and bring it to me to eat, so that I may give you my blessing before I die." ...

<sup>15</sup>Then Rebekah took the best clothes of Esau her older son, which she had in the house, and put them on her younger son Jacob. <sup>16</sup>She also covered his hands and the smooth part of his neck with the goatskins. <sup>17</sup>Then she handed to her son Jacob the tasty food and the bread she had made.

<sup>18</sup> He went to his father and said, "My father."

"Yes, my son," he answered. "Who is it?"

19 Jacob said to his father, "I am Esau your firstborn. I have done as you told me. Please sit up and eat some of my game, so that you may give me your blessing."

<sup>20</sup> Isaac asked his son, "How did you find it so quickly, my son?"

"The Lord your God gave me success," he replied.

<sup>21</sup> Then Isaac said to Jacob, "Come near so I can touch you, my son, to know whether you really are my son Esau or not."

<sup>22</sup> Jacob went close to his father Isaac, who touched him and said, "The voice is the voice of Jacob, but the hands are the hands of Esau." <sup>23</sup> He did not recognize him, for his hands were hairy like those of his brother Esau; so he proceeded to bless him. ...

10 Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Harran. 11 When he reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones there, he put it under his head and lay down to sleep. 12 He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. 13 There above it stood the Lord, and he said: "I am the Lord, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying. 14 Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. 15 I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you."

<sup>16</sup> When Jacob awoke from his sleep, he thought, "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware of it." <sup>17</sup> He was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God; this is the gate of heaven."