

Announcements

Wed. Nov 12th
Thurs. Nov 13th

Choir Practice 6:30
KD Lunch

The congregation extends its deepest sympathy
to Neil, Katie and Jamie MacLean,
and to Peter Champion and their families
on the death of Kathy MacLean.

ATTENTION MEN OF THE CONGREGATION!

Do you like to sing? You are invited to join with the men of our church choir to **sing a selection as the Ministry of Music on Sun., Nov. 16.** No choir experience or music reading ability is needed! Only bring joy in your heart and the desire to raise your voice in song.

For more info or to express your interest, you may contact Ruth Ann at rareadclay57@gmail.com or by calling or texting 902-213-5264.

We hope you are able to join us!

Join us here for **"Step into Christmas", Friday, December 5th at 7pm.**

Come enjoy the music of TSSK & TheSilvertones
under the direction of Christa McDougall. Admission by donation.

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

With a legacy of care and service spanning 115 years, St. Matthew's Presbyterian Church in Grand Falls-Windsor, NL, remains steadfast in its commitment to community outreach and demonstrating love through acts of kindness and support. The church's cornerstone initiatives include donations of essential items such as food, hygiene products and clothing to organizations like the Salvation Army, the local food bank and the Women's Centre. A dedicated group known as the Thistle Club, composed of skilled and hardworking women who sew and knit, contributes handmade goods and supplies to the local hospital and the Atlantic Mission Society. Through compassion, generosity and an unwavering presence, St. Matthew's continues to be a caring part of the community it serves.

SUMMERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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:

We gather today to witness God's love shining among us.
We gather to find hope in Christ.

We are drawn together into the circle of God's marvelous light,
As loving disciples of Christ, the Light of the World.

We seek the courage to reach out and let our light shine
For generations to come.

Come, let us worship God together.

National Anthem: **O Canada**

Opening Prayers / Reading the Honour Roll / Moment of Silence

Hymn: **#313 Oh Worship the King** (verses 1, 2, 4)

Assurance of God's Love

Welcome & Announcements

Children's Time & Hymn

Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 29:4-11
Matthew 5:13-16

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: "Forevermore" (Dan Forrest)

Sermon: "Shine Your Light"

Hymn **#727 Let There Be Light**

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: **#748 Lord of All Hopefulness**

Benediction & Dismissal: **Go in the Grace of the Lord**

Postlude

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

*"We draw people to Christ not by loudly discrediting what they believe,
but by showing them a light that is so lovely that they want with all their hearts
to know the source of it."
~ Madeleine L'Engle*



What practices help us stay rooted in hope even when life or ministry feels uncertain or unsettled?

Where might God be inviting us — as individuals or as a congregation — to shine more brightly or to seek our community's welfare more intentionally?

Things to pray for this week...

We pray for all who mourn or suffer because of conflict and war. We ask God to protect and guide peacekeepers and those who serve in the armed forces.

God of healing and restoration, we remember all those who have been dismissed, silenced, or wounded because of their cultural identities. May they find spaces of affirmation and dignity, and may their journeys of reclamation be met with solidarity, strength and deep healing.

We pray for the Committee on Church Doctrine as it reflects on the functions of, and relationship between, Church and State.



I LIE NOT IN FLANDERS FIELDS

I lie not in Flanders Field,
Where the bright red poppies grow;
I lie in the fathomless deeps,
Where Davy Jones his locker keeps.
But those who lie in Flanders Field, and I,
Rest in peace, watched by His caring eyes.

I lie not in Flanders Field,
Where armies perished in churned-up earth;
I spun and tumbled from airless heights,
Oblivion ended my perilous flights.
But those who lie in Flanders Field, and I,
Rest in peace, watched by His loving eye.

I lie not in Flanders Field,
Under the ranks of pristine stones;
I lie entombed in the jungle mire,
Swept off the trail by deadly fire.
But those who lie in Flanders Field, and I,
Rest in peace, watched by His gracious eye.

I lie not in Flanders Field,
Where the dead lie row upon row;
I lie in a far, forgotten corner,
Ne'er remembered – ne'er a mourner.
But those who lie in Flanders Field, and I,
Rest in peace, watched by His kindly eye.

They lie not in Flanders Field,
Where the oh-so-young lay;
The old, the infirm, watching the coasts,
Guarding the home, they died at their posts.
But those who lie in Flanders Field, and they,
Abide in His care, we humbly pray.
~ Sydney Wilson Clay

We are please to have Karen Plater worshiping with us this morning.

As the Associate Secretary for Stewardship & Planned Giving for The Presbyterian Church in Canada, Karen helps congregations develop effective stewardship programs and encourages them in their mission outreach. She also encourages giving to Presbyterians Sharing.

Karen began this role in August 2007. Prior to this she worked for eleven years at Presbyterian World Service & Development as their Communications Coordinator.

Karen grew up in Peterborough Ontario. She graduated from the International Development Program at the University of Toronto in 1996. While working with the church Karen has visited partners in Guatemala, El Salvador, Nicaragua, India, Malawi, Ghana, Kenya, Mozambique and Ukraine. She is passionate about engaging congregations in mission and stewardship.

After her husband John Plater died in 2012, she and her mother-in-law Margaret continued to live on their farm. David Harvey joined Karen and Margaret on the farm when Karen and David were married in October 2023. They share the farm with two cats, five horses and seven chickens.

Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 29:4-11 (NIV)

⁴This is what the Lord Almighty, the God of Israel, says to all those I carried into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵"Build houses and settle down; plant gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶Marry and have sons and daughters; find wives for your sons and give your daughters in marriage, so that they too may have sons and daughters. Increase in number there; do not decrease. ⁷Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper." ⁸Yes, this is what the Lord Almighty, the God of Israel, says: "Do not let the prophets and diviners among you deceive you. Do not listen to the dreams you encourage them to have. ⁹They are prophesying lies to you in my name. I have not sent them," declares the Lord.

¹⁰This is what the Lord says: "When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will come to you and fulfill my good promise to bring you back to this place. ¹¹For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:13-16 (NIV)

¹³"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

¹⁴"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.