

Announcements

Following worship today, everyone is invited to stay and join us in the church hall for our annual Church Picnic as we celebrate the beginning of the summer season. Hot dogs will be provided. We hope as many people as possible will stay and enjoy this time of food, fellowship, and fun together!



Vera Hoeg is turning 90 this month! Anyone who would like to bring her a birthday wish in person is invited to do so at her home on Saturday, June 27th between 1-3 pm. 646 Murphy St. Parking is available anywhere on the street. Best wishes only!

Hi, everyone; Our budget report to April 30/26 has posted income of \$46,553.55 and expenses of \$73,294.38 leaving us with a deficit of \$26,740.83. On a positive note, our general offering has increased by \$1,937.45 compared to April 30th. last year. Thank you once again for your support. F&P Committee.

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

One of the eight Indigenous ministries supported through gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing*, Mistawasis Memorial Presbyterian Church is among the oldest Presbyterian Indigenous ministries on a Canadian reserve. It stands on a foundation of rich history and faith, dating back to the 1870s, when Chief Mistawasis helped establish the first church there. Today, the congregation is renewing this sacred space for the future, adding new shingles, aluminum siding, and their first air-conditioning system to make the building welcoming and strong for generations to come. Recently, they celebrated several new baptisms and anticipate more, as they nurture faith, knowledge of the Bible, and Indigenous traditions within their congregation. Though building trust with the wider community is a long journey, they move forward with hope, guided by God's Spirit and strengthened by prayers and support.

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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 says, "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you."

We come seeking the God who is always faithful.

When the future is uncertain, Christ invites us to ask.

We come with our questions, our hopes, and our prayers.

When the path is unclear, Christ invites us to seek.

We come looking for God's wisdom and guidance.

When faith calls us forward, Christ invites us to knock.

We come trusting that God opens doors of grace and new life.

Let us worship the Lord, who meets us in our seeking and leads us in faith.

(Inspired by Matthew 7:7-8)

Hymn #654 O God of Bethel, by whose hand

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 **God Sees the Little Sparrow Fall**

Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Reading: Ruth 3:1-18

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: "Ruth 3: When Faith Takes a Risk"

Hymn #634 Will you come and follow me

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 #802 For the fruits of all creation

Benediction & Dismissal: **Walk With Me**

Postlude

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

*"Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God."
~ Corrie ten Boom*



*"Sometimes when you're in a dark place you think you've been buried, but actually you've been planted."
~ Anonymous*

What faithful step might God be asking you to take even though the future remains uncertain? Is there a risk you have been avoiding because you want certainty before acting?

Things to pray for this week...

We pray for the generosity to respond to God's call to share what we have with those in need.

We pray for people facing persecution because of their sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. We give thanks for organizations around the world that provide assistance and advocate alongside LGBTQI+ refugees.

We pray for all those who grieve, that they will be comforted.

We pray that God protects the dignity of families forced to flee from conflict and persecution. We give thanks for those who welcome the stranger through refugee sponsorship.



God Sees the Little Sparrow Fall

God sees the little sparrow fall.
It meets his tender view;
If God so loves the little birds,
I know he loves me, too.

*He loves me, too,
he loves me, too;
because he loves the little things,
I know he loves me, too.*

He paints the lily of the field,
perfumes each lily bell;
if he so loves the little flow'rs,
I know he loves me well.

God made the little birds and flow'rs,
and all things large and small;
he'll not forget his little ones,
I know he loves them all.

Scripture Reading: Ruth 3:1-18 (NIV)

One day Ruth's mother-in-law Naomi said to her, "My daughter, I must find a home for you, where you will be well provided for. ²Now Boaz, with whose women you have worked, is a relative of ours. Tonight he will be winnowing barley on the threshing floor. ³Wash, put on perfume, and get dressed in your best clothes. Then go down to the threshing floor, but don't let him know you are there until he has finished eating and drinking. ⁴When he lies down, note the place where he is lying. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down. He will tell you what to do."

⁵"I will do whatever you say," Ruth answered. ⁶So she went down to the threshing floor and did everything her mother-in-law told her to do.

⁷When Boaz had finished eating and drinking and was in good spirits, he went over to lie down at the far end of the grain pile. Ruth approached quietly, uncovered his feet and lay down. ⁸In the middle of the night something startled the man; he turned—and there was a woman lying at his feet!

⁹"Who are you?" he asked.

"I am your servant Ruth," she said. "Spread the corner of your garment over me, since you are a guardian-redeemer of our family."

¹⁰"The Lord bless you, my daughter," he replied. "This kindness is greater than that which you showed earlier: You have not run after the younger men, whether rich or poor. ¹¹And now, my daughter, don't be afraid. I will do for you all you ask. All the people of my town know that you are a woman of noble character. ¹²Although it is true that I am a guardian-redeemer of our family, there is another who is more closely related than I. ¹³Stay here for the night, and in the morning if he wants to do his duty as your guardian-redeemer, good; let him redeem you. But if he is not willing, as surely as the Lord lives I will do it. Lie here until morning."

¹⁴So she lay at his feet until morning, but got up before anyone could be recognized; and he said, "No one must know that a woman came to the threshing floor."

¹⁵He also said, "Bring me the shawl you are wearing and hold it out." When she did so, he poured into it six measures of barley and placed the bundle on her. Then he went back to town.

¹⁶When Ruth came to her mother-in-law, Naomi asked, "How did it go, my daughter?"

Then she told her everything Boaz had done for her ¹⁷and added, "He gave me these six measures of barley, saying, 'Don't go back to your mother-in-law empty-handed.'"

¹⁸Then Naomi said, "Wait, my daughter, until you find out what happens. For the man will not rest until the matter is settled today."