

*September 02, 2018*



Welcome to St. John's

**ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
CORNWALL, ONTARIO**

## WELCOME

Welcome to our worship service this morning. Visitors, please take a moment to introduce yourself and sign our guest book in the hall just outside the sanctuary. Everyone is invited to stay for refreshments and fellowship following the service.

Today we welcome our guest pastor, **Rev. C. Ian MacLean.**

**Hymns** are normally sung while standing, except for those marked with an asterisk indicating everyone may remain seated. However, those who feel it is better not to stand may remain seated during the singing of any hymn.

### Lectionary Lessons for This Lord's Day

Song of Solomon 2:8-13

Psalm 15

James 2:1-10

Mark 7:24-37

Thought for Today!

Most people walk in and out of your life.

Friends leave footprints in your heart.

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**We Gather to Worship God**

**Organ Prelude**

Lord Christ, On Thee My Love is Stayed - J. S. Bach

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship (Responsive)**

L: The Lord be with you

**P: And also with you.**

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**P: And also with you.**

L: We are not always certain that God is with us.

**P: At times God calls us to live in this world without experiencing the divine presence, often discerning God's nearness only as we look back.**

L: Though the strength of our faith may vary and in many ways be assailed or weakened.

**P: Yet we may find assurance in Christ through confidence in his Word, the sacraments of his church, and the work of his Spirit.**

L: let us worship God.

**Hymn**

I the Lord of sea and sky

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**Prayer of Adoration (Unison)**

**O God, we come to remember Your wonderful works; to recall sudden miracles; to recollect quiet wonderful works; to our lives. Most of all we come to celebrate the wonder, work and miracles of Jesus Christ, our Saviour, in whose name we worship You and pray together as He has taught us. Amen.**

**Prayer (including The Lord's Prayer)**

**Praise Song**

I am the church! You are the church!

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**Time with the Young and the Young at Heart**

**We Hear the Word of God**

**Prayer of Illumination**

**The Scriptures**

Read by: Rev. Dr. Fred Rennie

Responsive Psalm 14 OT Pg. 500

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 OT Pg. 720

Luke 15:1-10 NT Pg. 73

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God for his Word to us.**

**Hymn**

Come, O thou traveler unknown [former htm]

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**Sermon**

“Hanging with the Wrong Crowd”

**We Respond in Faith and Service**

**Presentation of Our Offerings and Gifts**

**Offertory Piano Solo**

Your word, O God, awoke the uncreated-Jennifer Vipond

**The Doxology**

**Pastoral Prayer, Thanksgiving and Intercession**

**Closing Hymn**

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**Commissioning (Unison)**

**In the power of the Holy Spirit, we now go forth into the world  
to fulfill our calling as the people of God,  
the body of Christ.**

## Benediction

### Choral Benediction

We are here joined in Christ, called to serve and adore Him.  
Give us peace, perfect peace, patience and hope everlasting.  
Send us to serve in our Master's name, and to glorify Him.  
Joined with Christ, and through Christ,  
praise our Father forever.

## Organ Postlude

*Please join us for coffee hour  
compliments of Carol Esdale*

## *News for the Pews*

Today's candles shine in loving memory of

**Dr. Trafford W. Carvell  
Irene McNaughton  
Joan Moke**

## Sunday School, the Nursery and Activity Bags

Sunday School and the Nursery are closed until Rally Day,  
September 9<sup>th</sup>. Activity bags are available at the back of the sanctuary  
to be enjoyed by children during the Service.  
Please leave them in the pews once they have been used.

## **Pastoral Care Volunteers Needed**

Visitors are needed for our Community Hospital and two Retirement Homes. Please contact Johneen Rennie at 613-933-3252 or [mom@jrsl.com](mailto:mom@jrsl.com) for details. The number of hours required is very flexible for this important ministry.



## **Search Committee Update**

At the Search Committee meeting on July 25<sup>th</sup>, we found that there were many surveys still outstanding. If you have not received your surveys from your Elder, or you have possibly misplaced them, there are copies on the table outside the Library. Completed surveys can be put into the Thoughts and Wishes Box. Thank you for your assistance with this important task – we need more responses to complete the Congregational Profile in order to take the next step towards calling a new Minister.

## **YOUTH NEWS**

Another year is about to begin – the Youth Church Year. Changes are in store for the 2018 – 2019 year having said our au revoir to Lauren Thomas as she sets out for Queen's University in Kingston and we welcomed the young people going into Grade 6.

Youth night, this year, will be held on Tuesday nights. The doors will be open at 3:30 & supper to be served at 5:15. Chrissy will be helping out, and we have many things planned for the upcoming year. Join us for evenings of fun, food, friends & activities.

Our Youth Room has had a makeover during the summer months, and we cannot wait to share it with you. Our first night, we will be asking for ideas of what you would like to do for the upcoming year. No idea is too zany, BUT we may have to plan for anything big. Bring a friend. All we ask is that you let us know you are coming so we can have enough food for the supper that night. See you there!

## ST. JOHN'S TURKEY SUPPER



A turkey supper is planned for Saturday, October 20, 2018.

It will be hosted by the Session.

Save the date **(tell your friends!)**

### St. John's Choir

Hi congregation. The choir begins practising again Sept. 9, and we would love to see some new members join us. We typically do three anthems per month, and we help the congregation to learn and review newer hymns. Our practices are after church, 11:30 - 12:30. Consider yourselves welcomed to give it a try! It's a small, but fun group. Gary Postma, music director.

To stir your thoughts a little, a quotation from church reformer, Martin Luther:

"Music is God's product and His gift; we marvel when we hear music in which one voice sings a simple melody, while three, four, or five other voices play and trip lustily around the voice that sings its simple melody and adorn this simple melody wonderfully with artistic musical effects...A person who gives this [beauty] some thought and yet does not regard [music] as a marvelous creation of God, must be a clodhopper indeed and does not deserve to be called a human being; he should be permitted to hear nothing but the braying of donkeys and the grunting of hogs."



## **SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION**

Come & bring your children or grandchildren to register for the 2018-2019 Sunday School here at St. John's. Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, is our annual Rally Sunday. Our theme this year is "Shipwrecked – Saved by Jesus". Fun, games learning all under the tent in Caldwell Hall. Come down and see what the lessons have planned for this year & a peek at the VBS program for the summer of 2019. Service starts at 10:00 & the children will be escorted to the gym.

# SUNDAE SUNDAY

Following the service of September 9<sup>th</sup>, we will host the coffee hour in Caldwell Hall with a celebration of the start of Sunday School. Ice cream sundaes will be served by St. John's Youth & you will see what we have in store for the children in the upcoming Sunday School year. Tables & chairs will be set up for your comfort, so stay a while & visit with your Church neighbours.



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**Today's Ushers:** Laurel Adams, Jennifer Adams, Steve Mullin