

St. John's Presbyterian Church, Cornwall

September 17, 2017

Pentecost 15

Organ Prelude

Prelude in C Major - Merkel/Hustad

Chorale - Raymond Haan

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsive)

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

And also with you.

Sing to God for mercy and grace.

Sing praises to God for laughter and joy.

For our God is mighty and strong,
protecting the lowly from the anger of the oppressor.

**Our God is righteous and just,
saving the weak from cruelty of the powerful.**

Sing to God for mercy and grace.

Sing praises to God for laughter and joy.

Opening Hymn

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

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Prayer of Approach and The Lord's Prayer (A Community Litany)

Gracious God, renew our minds and cleanse our spirits,
that we might rise above the petty judgements
that keep us from full fellowship with You and with one another.

Part the waters of our worries and confusion,
and save us from the tides that threaten to overwhelm us.

Be merciful to us and protect us with our powerful hand,
that we might dance and sing to our glory.

Through Christ and in His name, we now pray together,
Our Father ... (debts) ... Amen.

***Praise Song**

Seek Ye first

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***Children come forward after the singing of the last verse**

Prayer of Illumination

The Scriptures

Read by: Phyllis Bateman

Responsive Psalm 114

OT pg. 574

Luke 12: 15-21

NT pg. 70

**This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God for His Word to us.**

Sermon

“Christian Stewardship”
(Matthew 23:23; Luke 12)

Presentation of our Offerings and Gifts

Offertory

I Sing the Mighty Power of God - Douglas Wagner

Pastoral Prayer

Closing Hymn

Great is Thy faithfulness

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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

Sung Benediction—We are Here Joined in Christ

**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.**

**Please join us for coffee hour
courtesy of Clarence Adams**

News for the Pews

Sympathy

We extend our sympathies to John & Margaret Wright upon the death of their son, John Wright, on September 7, 2017 in Scarborough.

Welcome

Nouida, a member of our Refugee family, has recently arrived in Montreal. Her friend Rania, who lives in Ottawa, met her and will be hosting her for the next week and a half. Hope you will be able to meet her soon. Her photo can be viewed on our main bulletin board.

Notice to Congregation

All cupboards in the kitchen of the **Church Lower Hall** will be cleared out by September 27th. If you own anything in any of these cupboards, please remove it before then, or identify it with your name and your intention to store it there. Thanks. Phyllis Bateman 613-938-6250.

BOM Meeting

Monday, September 18th @ 7:00 p.m.

Session Meeting

Tuesday, September 19th @ 7:00 p.m.

Reminder to all Trustees

A brief meeting will be held in the small waiting room opposite the Church Office following worship on **October 1, 2017**.
Grab your goodies and wander on down to the meeting place.

Drive for Hospice

Our drive for hospice will continue until September 25th. Please put all purchases on or under the table in the MacLellan Room. Donations will be taken to Hospice each Sunday until the drive is over. Thank you so much for your participation.

Items Needed

Dove Body Wash

Baby Wipes

Lysol Wet Wipes

Toilet Paper

Paper Towels White T Shirts; Size M

Child/Adult Colouring Books

Coloured Pencils

Coloured Crayons



CONFIRMATION WEEKEND & OTTAWA FURIES

Please book September 29th, 30th & October 1st for your child to attend Gracefield Camp for a Confirmation Weekend and then to attend the Ottawa Furies game on October 1st.

The weekend retreat is open to all children, including ones who have become full members of St. John's Church. It is a weekend of nature, learning, fun and friendship. We have Beaver Lodge to ourselves which is the original building to the Billings property.

Limited to 13 participants.

Weekend cost for travel, accommodation & food is \$ 100.00.

The Ottawa Furies are having a special event October 1st at TD Place.

It is an afternoon of faith, the game, and music.

The post game event includes a concert by the group "My Church Music", who has a number hit on CHRI.

Q & A from the Furies, autograph session
and CHRI on scene.

Tickets are \$ 15.00 for this part of the weekend and must be booked with Debbie, so we can have a discount cost of \$ 10.00 per person.

Any questions about this weekend, please contact Debbie at 613 936 3454 or email to deb-stjohnyouth@cogeco.ca

"Hear Your Heart"

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

***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.

Please remember in your prayers, the people of St. John's!

Lectionary Lessons for this Lord's Day

Exodus 14: 19-31;

Exodus 15: 1b-11;

Romans 14: 1-12;

Matthew 18: 21-35

A PCC Mission Moment
for September 17, 2017

Cultivating Healthy Communities

In her community in Nicaragua, Sandra believed she was feeding her children wholesome, nutritious food. But the chips and soda that made up the bulk of their diets led to illness and delays in growth.

Presbyterian World Service & Development supported community promoters are helping families like Sandra's improve their nutrition by discussing the benefits of locally grown, fresh produce and helping establish household gardens. Sandra now understands that a diet rich in fruits and vegetables is important for a healthy future.

Today, her children are energetic and healthy. For Sandra, this project is the beginning of a brighter future for her family and community. "Our mission is to share what we have learned so that our community will prosper with healthy and active families."

PWS&D supports food security and nutrition

NOTICE TO OUR ST. JOHN'S FAMILY

EVERYONE IS INVITED!

**Wednesday, September 27, 2017
Caldwell Hall**

12 Noon: Pot Luck Luncheon
Bring your favourite dish to share!

1:00 pm: Semi-Annual Meeting
Women of the Church

AGENDA WILL INCLUDE

Reports from Conveners
Update on Finances
Review of Fall Events

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Free Public Event!

British Home Child Weekend

at the Glengarry Nor'Westers & Loyalist Museum
in partnership with
The Ontario East British Home Child Family
September 23rd & 24th, 2017

This event will feature dramatic presentations, speakers, and exhibits centered around this migration scheme that ran from 1869 to the 1930's which saw to the placement of Britain's underprivileged children to Canada. Not solely orphans, these children were the victims of hard times that saw them separated from their families. This BHC weekend is intended to inform the public on this marginalized history and to give voice to these children and their stories. This years BHC commemoration weekend will recognize these children and will also honour Pt. Claude Nunney who was a home child placed locally and a recipient of the Victoria Cross for his bravery in the First World War. All are welcome to attend events for this weekend, learn more about this chapter of our history, and share in the stories of these brave children and their descendants.

There will be a dinner hosted on Saturday evening at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 544 in Lancaster which was named after Claude Nunney. A cash bar will be available with a cocktail hour at 5:00 pm preceding the meal which will be served at 5:30 pm. Those interested in attending are asked to purchase or reserve tickets in advance. The tickets are \$25 each for a chicken dinner with dessert and all the trimmings and can be purchased by calling 613-347-3547 or by emailing glnmuseum@gmail.com. A Church service to commemorate the home children will be held on Sunday morning at 9:30 am at St. Andrew's United Church in Williamstown, and all are welcome to attend. A social hour will be held afterwards with coffee and tea before the speakers resume at the museum at 11:30 am.