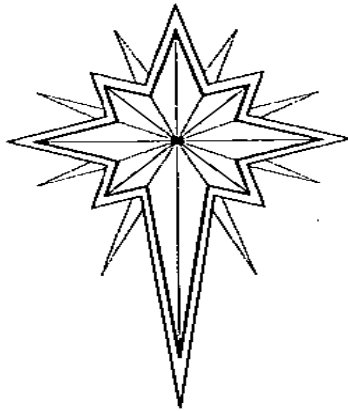


St. John's Presbyterian Church

January 28, 2018

10:00 a.m.



Epiphany

*To all who would know God and do God's will;
to all who would live and serve to make the world better;
to all who seek comfort and would find rest
to old and young, wise and unlearned, rich and poor,
saint and sinner, this church opens wide its doors
and in the name of Jesus Christ bids you welcome
to our Father's house.*

Enter to Worship

Leave to Serve

Welcome to our worship service this morning. Visitors, please take a moment to introduce yourselves and to sign our guest book in the hall just outside the sanctuary.

***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

Deuteronomy 18: 15-20

Psalm 111

1 Corinthians 8: 1-13

Mark 1: 21-28

A PCC Mission Moment

for January 28th

Working with international mission partners

Effective mission partnership is a covenant relationship between people who are striving to bring about God's realm of justice and peace.

In 2017, gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* provided some of the PCC's international partners with 30 grants totaling \$320,000. These grants supported Bible translation in Nigeria and Mauritius; women's pastoral programs in Guatemala; biblical, theological and pastoral training in Mauritius and Guatemala; theological seminaries in Lebanon, Malawi and Romania; lay training centers in Ghana and Malawi; refugee programs in Lebanon and Palestine; and medical centers in India.

Mission and vital world-wide ministry partnerships that put people first happen because of the faithful generosity of Presbyterians across Canada. Gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* allow our church to be with those on the margins and change lives around the world.

Presbyterians Sharing supports international partnerships because they matter

St. John's Presbyterian Church, Cornwall

January 28, 2018

4th Sunday after Epiphany

Organ Prelude

Ps. 19 The Heavens Declare - Marcello/Dubois
Darwall - Healey Willan

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.

“I am the Alpha and the Omega”, says the Lord God.

Who is and Who was and Who is to come, the Almighty.

My strength is exalted in my God.

Let us worship God.

Hymn

How firm a foundation

685

Opening Prayer

Gracious Lord, You who rules over all the earth in righteousness,
You are like the light of morning at sunrise on a cloudless morning,
like the brightness after rain that brings the grass from the earth.
In You we rejoice and your holy name we will praise forever.
Amen.

Praise Song

What a friend we have in Jesus

746

Time with the Young and Young at Heart

The Lord's Prayer

Prayer of Illumination

The Scriptures
Read by Katalin Kennedy

Responsive Psalm 111
Epistle Luke 15: 11-32

OT pg. 573
NT pg. 74

(Personal Study Reading: II Corinthians 4:16- 6:2)

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

HTM

Build your kingdom here (White Insert)

Sermon

“Pardon, Mercy and Reconciliation”

Presentation of our Offerings and Gifts

Offertory Anthem

Ancient Words - Phillip Keveren, arr.

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn

There’s a spirit in the air 764

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

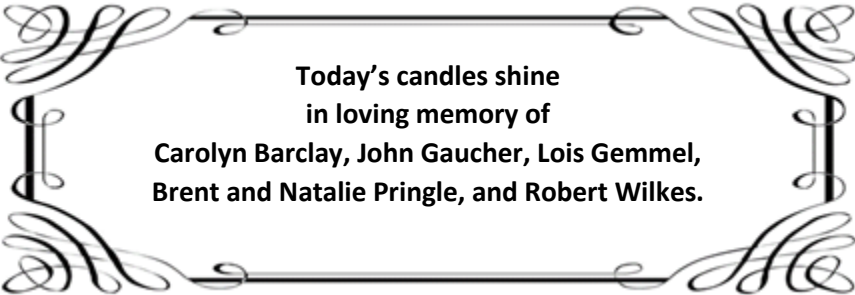
Sung Benediction—We are Here Joined in Christ

**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.**

Following worship, everyone is invited
to the MacLellan Room for a time of fellowship.

Coffee hour is courtesy of **Paul Hickey**

News for the Pews



Today's candles shine
in loving memory of
**Carolyn Barclay, John Gaucher, Lois Gemmel,
Brent and Natalie Pringle, and Robert Wilkes.**

Sympathy

We express our Sympathy to the Family of Dorothy Cook
who passed away on January 20, 2018 at the age of 95.
Her funeral was held on January 25th.

Birthday Wishes

A happy birthday to Leslie Foulds who turned 98 on January 24th.

Deadline
Monday, January 29th

ANNUAL REPORT SUBMISSIONS

We ask that your reports to be included in the **annual report** be submitted to the church office no later than tomorrow.

We also ask that your reports be submitted in Print Ready Format
No greater than 500 words or 1 page

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS HOSPITALIZED?

Due to ongoing changes at the Cornwall Community Hospital,
we need your help!

Please let either Rev. Johnston or Johneen Rennie know
if someone is in hospital or in need of a pastoral visit.

Annual Meeting

Please mark your calendars!

February 11, 2018

After Worship Service

Recent Flood / Insurance Claims

Please contact Nick Cox with an itemized list of damages
caused by the recent flooding here at St. John's,
so that we can proceed with an insurance claim.

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn
and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to
all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whosoever
will come, this church opens wide its doors and offers welcome
to all in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

St. John's Presbyterian Church
Sunday Worship Service @ 10:00 a.m.

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Cameron Forrester

Today's Greeters: Paul Hickey, Katalin Kennedy

Today's Ushers: Clement Gwanyama, Jennifer Adams

C.C.L.I. #68228

NOTICE TO OUR ST. JOHN'S FAMILY

From the Women of the Church

EVERYONE IS INVITED!

**Wednesday, JANUARY 31, 2018
Caldwell Hall**

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

1:00 pm: Semi-Annual Meeting
Women of the Church (W.O.C.)

AGENDA WILL INCLUDE

Reports from Conveners
Update on Finances
Review of Upcoming Events

For further information contact:

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TO OUR ST. JOHN'S FAMILY

The Wednesday Kitchen Work Group continues to meet weekly and sell baked goods after Sunday Service. This is an ongoing fundraiser to allow the W.O.C. to help pay for church expense; such as, insurance and elevator maintenance.

We would appreciate your input, so we can better meet the needs of our faithful customers.

- A. I would be interested in the following main course dishes:

Please circle your choices

1. Chicken Pot Pie
2. Shepherd's Pie
3. Meat Pie
4. Beef Stew
5. Soups
6. Other (specify)

- B. I would prefer the following sized portions:

1. 2-portion size
2. 4-portion size
3. Other (specify)

**Please place your completed pink sheets
in the basket in the McLellan Room.**

Presbytery Refugee Subcommittee Report January 16, 2018

With respect to the **Nahhas** family, Tamy continues to update her engineering qualifications while she works full-time as a supervisor at Wal-Mart. Hiba is also working part-time at Wal-Mart. Walid and Dalal are practicing English and learning quickly, and Walid now has his G2 and acts as the family chauffer! Joud continues to do well at school and is learning to ice skate!

The Presbytery received a request from the family to sponsor Hiba's sweetheart to come to Canada as a refugee. She was thinking of going to Lebanon to marry him and then try to sponsor him to Canada (family reunification) but that process is very slow and can be very difficult, especially since she is a newcomer to Canada herself.

His name is **Fadi Hanna Karyo**. He was born November 29, 1980 in Aleppo, Syria. He is Christian. He has fled Syria and has been living in Lebanon for about a year now. The Nahhas family indicated he would live with them when he arrives. He apparently has a degree in agriculture from the University of Aleppo. His English skills are not quite to the level of Tamy's and Hiba's, but he is working on improving his proficiency.

For the Presbytery to sponsor him, we would first have to apply for and receive a space in the PCC's quota for 2018. We do not actually know yet how many spaces the PCC will have for 2018, but it would most likely be what they obtained last year (77 private sponsorship spaces out of 7500 spaces across the country). If we don't acquire a space, there would be no sponsorship.

The Presbytery approved a motion at the January 16th meeting to sponsor Fadi, depending on whether the PCC

gives us a quota space.

Nouida Daghistani is continuing to settle into life in Brockville. She is volunteering as a translator for other newcomers in the community and is updating her resume to begin her search for employment. She has also passed her G1 and is hoping to obtain her G2 license later this year.

Marilyn Leach-Duck advises that fundraising is continuing, although the Presbytery has done very well to date. Please do continue to encourage your congregations to support the Syrian Refugee Fund!

COMMITMENT

NAHHAS

Family

\$39,567.36

NOUIDA

\$ 16,593.05

RAISED

\$68,969.89

SPENT

\$ 41,357.81

Bank Balance

\$27,612.08

Total

Commitment

\$ 56,160.41

Raised

\$ 68,969.89

-\$ 12,809.48

Funds raised, exceeds our present commitment

St. John's has been very generous in support of our Syrian families. The congregation has given over \$4,000.00 including Christmas gift monies as well as, house warming gifts for Nouida's shower

Blessings to you all in the New Year!
Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Marianne Emig Carr/Jennifer Adams

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

YOUTH LEGION CHICKEN DINNER & SILENT AUCTION

Sunday, February 25, 2018 - 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

This is an annual fundraiser for St. John's Youth and this year, proceeds will go towards their Conference this summer. Held at the Royal Canadian Legion, it is a chicken dinner with all the extras AND a Silent Auction. Cost \$ 15.00 with tickets available after Sunday services and the office or ask one of the Youth.



ST. PATRICK'S DAY SUPPER & MUSIC

Saturday, March 10, 2018 - 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

What better way to kick off the March Break & St. Patrick's week than with an Irish stew dinner & some good old-fashioned Irish fun and music. Mike McAnany and his guitar will be with us again this year to entertain and to lead us. Cost \$ 20.00 with tickets available after Sunday services or from the Church office. **ADVANCED TICKET SALES ONLY.** Proceeds will go towards St. John's Youth programs.



Friday, January 12th, the Youth held the Robbie Burn's Dessert Night with music by Mike McAnany. The evening was a great success and we raised \$ 460.00 as a donation to the Church. The success was, in fact, due to the people that helped put it on. A HUGE thank you to the ladies (and men) who made desserts and shortbread, the Youth that helped serve and greeted at the door and to Mike for his wonderful music. Mike would not take a cent for

his performance and Rev Ian donated his winnings from the 50/50 draw back to the Church. Thank you all!

New Year Gala

The Underground will be holding a New Year Gala on February 16th 7:00 – 10:00 at the Wesleyan Church beside Farm Boy on Sydney. Light refreshments, lots of fun and friendship. For Youth Grade 8 and up.

Ottawa Presbytery

The Youth will be joining the Ottawa Presbytery on Saturday, February 10th for a day of fun in the capital. Westminster Presbyterian Church will be hosting a Winterlude celebration with activities inside and outside of the Church. Must confirm with Debbie so that rides can be arranged.