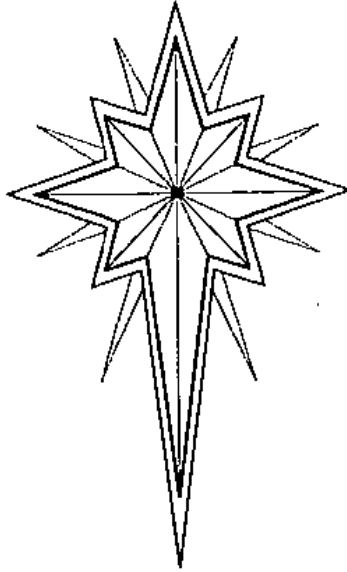


January 7, 2018

Epiphany and Baptism of our Lord



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

Genesis 1: 1-5; Isaiah 50: 1-5; Psalm 29; Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14;
Acts 19: 1-7; Ephesians 3: 1-12; Matthew 2: 1-12; Mark 1: 4-11

A PCC Mission Moment
for January 7, 2018

New Ways to Nourish Families

Who better to learn new farming methods from than a farmer in your community? Through a Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported farmer-to-farmer agroecology project in Malawi, farmers selected for training are able to share their agricultural knowledge with other families in their village.

Techniques like composting and intercropping are helping women and men transform plots of land into thriving sources of nourishment. Since learning to plant groundnuts and pigeon peas together on one plot of land, farmer Abel has seen his soil's fertility improve and his yields double. He and his wife Mercy are incorporating the food they grow into new recipes. "Life has greatly changed for us," shares Abel.

PWS&D supports food security for smallholder farmers

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Organ Prelude

From Heaven on High - Jac Bonset
Come Down, O Love Divine - James Engel

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.

Arise and shine! Your light has come.

The glory of the Lord shines like the sun.

Behold, the nations have come to witness God's light.

Kings have come to behold Christ's brightness.

Lift up your eyes and look around.

The glory of the Lord is all around.

Arise and shine! Your light has come.

Carols [remain seated]

The first nowell	136	v 1
Away in a manger	149	v 1,3
Infant holy, Infant lowly	143	

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

Come, mighty God, and bring light to our darkness.

As we wade in the waters of our baptism,

Claim us as your beloved children.

Come, loving Christ, and call us as your own.

As we splash in the river of our salvation,

Heal us with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit, and sweep over our souls.

As we swim in the waters of our faith,

Fill us with your power.

This we pray as we have learned from your Son our Lord,

Our Father (depts) 1-12

The Scriptures

Read by **Keppel Bharath**

Psalms 29 (Responsive)

OT. pg. 510

Matthew 2: 1-12

NT pg. 1

Mark 1: 4-11

NT pg. 32

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God for His Word to us.

****Hymn of the Month**

Build your Kingdom Here

(White Insert)

Sermon

“A Spark of Love”

Presentation of our Offerings and Gifts

Offertory Duet - Dan & Alex Plant

God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen /We Three Kings - Traditional

Pastoral Prayer

Closing Hymn

Go tell it on the mountain

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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.**

Following Worship today, everyone is invited
to the MacLellan Room for a time of fellowship.
Coffee hour is courtesy of **Katalin Kennedy**.

News for the Pews

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 the hospital or in need of a pastoral visit.

Christmas Offering

The loose offering for Baldwin House on Christmas Eve was \$1249.05
Thank you to everyone for your generosity.

Thank You

I would like to thank the Elders and the Congregation of St. John's for the get-well cards and for the poinsettia you gave to me while I was a patient at the Ottawa Heart Institute.

A special thank you to Rev. Johnston for the nice visit.

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All.

Scott Whittaker

Important Date Convenors/Chairpersons

Annual Report Submissions

We ask that your reports to be included in the **annual report** be submitted to the church office **NO LATER THAN**
Monday, January 29th.

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

2018 Envelopes

The 2018 envelopes have been distributed and can now be used. We hope you will assist with the cost of the printing of the envelopes, by including a donation in the initial offering envelope.

Please note that on your weekly offering envelope, under the "specials" line, we are supporting the following ministries and organizations this year:

PWS & D, Women of the Church, Youth programs, Refugees, Cemetery, Baldwin House and Agape.

Upon occasion we may have a special project and will invite donations to that project during a specific time period.

If you did not receive envelopes and would like a box, please sign the sheet on the table at the south exit. Thank you.

Annual Meeting

Please mark your calendars!

February 11, 2018

After Worship Service

Pickle Ball Schedule

The pickle ball schedule is posted on the bulletin board in the main hallway beside the church office

Session Ministry Committees for 2016

Convenor or Chairperson

Clerk of Session	Carol Esdale
Deputy Clerk	Cynthia Seguin
Envelope Secretary	Susan MacDonald
Worship & Music	Dan Plant
Christian Education	Trish Brown
	Sarah Jane Woods
Mission & Outreach	Kerry Adams
Pastoral Care	Johneen Rennie
Stewardship	Karen Blanchard
House (O & P)	Susan MacDonald
Leading with Care	Katlin Kennedy
Roll Clerk	John Adams
Communion	Carol Esdale
Presbytery Representatives	John Adams
	Carole Esdale
PC Canada & the Courts	Wes Libby
Newsletter	John Adams
Session Trusts	Clarence Adams
Archives	Nick Cox
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Rep from Trustees	Wes Libby

**[A full list of the members on each Ministry Committee
is on the Bulletin Board in the Lower Hall.]**

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