

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Organ Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Second Candle of Advent Liturgy – The Candle of Peace

Read by

Brenda Aikman, Avah Kaddie, Jordyn Kaddie

Opening Hymn Hark! A thrilling voice is sounding 116

Prayer of Approach and Adoration (Unison)

Our Father (depts)

Children's Hymn Praise ye the Lord 108

St. John's Youth Presentation Mary's Birth

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer of Illumination

The Scriptures

Read by Laura McFazden

Responsive Lesson: Luke 3:1-6 On Screen

Epistle Galatians 3:1-9 NT Pg. 180

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

Responsive: Thanks be to God for His Word to us.

Hymn The angel Gabriel from heaven 124

WE RESPOND IN FAITH AND SERVICE

Sermon *"Sharing God's Purposes"* (Matthew 6:10)

Offertory

Pastoral Prayer

Closing Hymn

People in darkness

124

Commissioning Unison

Benediction

Choral Benediction

Organ Postlude

The Lectionary Lessons of the Day

Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79; Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6

Thank you for worshipping with us today

**Everyone is invited to the MacLellan Room for a time of fellowship.
Coffee hour is courtesy of Cynthia Seguin and Susan MacDonald**

Minister: Rev. Ian K. Johnston

Organist: Gary Postma



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**St. John's Presbyterian Church, Cornwall
Announcements for December 09, 2018**

"Connections and Community"

We are pleased to announce that our Youth Worker, Debbie Plant, has had an article published in Glad Tidings, a magazine created by the Women's Missionary Society which is a branch of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. In the November/December 2018 edition, Debbie's article titled "Connections and Community", talks about the ways our youth can make connections with the larger community in which our church exists. If you would like to read the article, please see Debbie for a copy. If you would like to learn more about Glad Tidings, visit www.wmspcc.ca/glad-tidings. Congratulations Debbie!!

Deck the Halls

A very special thank you is extended to everyone who shared their talents to make our sanctuary so beautiful for the Christmas season. We truly appreciate your time and effort in creating a wonderful space for us to celebrate the birth of Christ.

Envelope Boxes

The 2019 envelope boxes are ready to be picked-up. They are on the table at the north west door.

If you don't see a box with your name on it and would like one, please contact Susan MacDonald 613-931-2565, Susan.macdonald5@sympatico.ca or in person and a box will be on the table for you next Sunday. Thank you.

Transportation Needed

If anybody, residing in the First St./Eascourt Mall area is willing to provide a ride to a lady for Sunday Worship, Please contact Rev. Johnston.

Ordination of Reine Boghos

The Presbytery of Seaway-Glengarry
Invite you to the ordination of
Reine Boghos
To the Ministry of Word and Sacraments
December 17, 2018 @ 2:30 p.m.
Knox Presbytery Church, Morrisburg

From the Library

We invite you to come in and see some very nice Christmas books, mostly for children and youth. We are displaying them on the table in the library during December.

Prayer Requests

We welcome your prayer requests.
Please contact Grace Lattimer @ 613-933-4616 with details.

Gracefield Christian Camp & Retreat Centre

is looking for first aid attendants for next summer. We ask that anyone interested have a minimum of standard first aid and be willing to complete a criminal record check. A discount can be offered to a camper attending the camp being volunteered for.

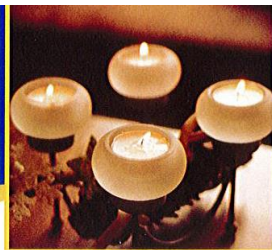
Thought for Today

There are thoughts which are prayers,
there are moments when,
whatever the posture of the body,
the soul is on its knees.

Victor Hugo

Second Sunday in Advent: Peace

Luke 1:78-79




Written by the Rev. Robert J. Murray
(Pinawa Christian Fellowship, Manitoba)

(Light the candle of peace)

- L: People of peace,
God desires people who hold fast to the vision of God's Kingdom
where peace and justice reign.
- P: Make us those peaceful people!
- L: God longs for people who have courage, who examine their own motives
fearlessly, who won't abide intimidation or a bully.
- P: Make us those peaceful people!
- L: God yearns for people who resist the call to vengeance, the false solution of
anger, the easy answer of hate.
- P: Make us those peaceful people!
- L: Let's pray together...
- P: God of peace, we hear your call
to live in peace with you
and with our neighbours.
Bring light to our path as we
await your peaceable kingdom.
Amen.



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Finding Peace in the Kindness of Others

Junayet Ahammed will never forget the day he watched his family's house burn to the ground.

It was the day the military attacked his village in Myanmar.

Since August 2017, innocent Rohingya children, families and communities in Myanmar's Rakhine state have been subject to escalating violence—torture and killings — because of their ethnicity and religion.

Over 700,000 Rohingya people, including Junayet's family, have fled to refugee camps just over the border in Bangladesh.

In Myanmar, Junayet taught high-school chemistry and worked part-time at his family's small pharmacy.

It has been difficult to adjust to life in the slum-like Kutupalong refugee camp, struggling for the basics for survival. But through the generosity of others, Junayet's family has found some peace.

"I am thankful for the different kinds of support and help we are receiving," says Junayet.

Part of this support is food rations of oil, lentils, sugar and salt provided in collaboration with members of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

This Advent season give hope — for the future and a safe return home — for Rohingya refugees.

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