

WE RESPOND IN FAITH AND SERVICE

Offering and Offertory

Rejoice, the Lord is King - Darwall/Raney

Doxology (*Unison*)

On Screen

Offertory Prayer

Pastoral Prayers, Thanksgiving and Intercession

Closing Hymn: What a friend we have in Jesus

746

Commissioning (*Unison*)

On Screen

The Benediction

Choral Benediction: Go Now in Peace

On Screen

Organ Postlude

Minister: Rev. Mark Bourgon Organist: Gary Postma

Please join us for a time of fellowship following worship.

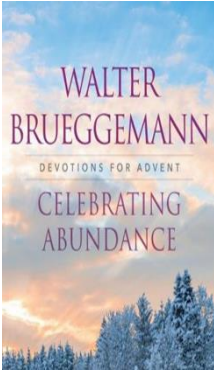
Coffee hour is courtesy of Clarence Adams.

Everyone is Welcome!

The Lectionary Lessons of the Day

Genesis 32:22–31 and Psalm 121; 2 Timothy 3:14–4:5; Luke 18:1–8

Thank you for worshipping with us.



In Advent 2019, Presbyterians across the country are invited to join a denomination-wide book study on Walter Brueggemann's *Celebrating Abundance*.

Using thoughtfully prepared small group and individual weekly study guides, Presbyterians will journey through Advent reflecting on themes of God's abundance as revealed through the small details of faith stories—a cry in the wilderness, a teenage mother, a worn down stable and a promise of a new day.

We have chosen *Celebrating Abundance* as a denomination-wide book study for this season because each of Brueggemann's daily reflections in this book are an invitation to see beyond the illusions of worldly extravagance and to embrace the true abundance readily available through Christ. In a world where fear and anxiety abound, Brueggemann calls us to believe in the in-breaking of the kingdom of God through Christ, who brings hope, joy, love and peace. He also calls us to action—to be bearers of these kingdom qualities and heralds of the newness that is both here and yet to come. At a time when it would be easy to slip into apathy, Brueggemann's words, which are steeped in God's love and care for us, inspire us to “do kingdom things we did not think we had in us” (5).

There are three ways to participate:

1. *Solo*—Get a copy of *Celebrating Abundance* and read the devotions each day;
2. *Small Group*—Join St. John's group reading the daily devotions on their own but meeting to discuss what they've read once a week;
3. *Online*—Read the devotions each day and join the discussion with other Presbyterians (more details about this to come).

If you would like to purchase a book, please contact Susan at 613-931-2565. Books are \$16.00 and must be ordered before November 3rd, 2019.

If you are interested in the small group portion of this devotional study the beginning date is Thursday, November 28th at 11:00 a.m.

**Board of Managers Financial Statement
September 2019**

Givings and Income.... \$ 18,694.85
Expenses..... \$ 8,731.52
Net Income..... \$ 9,963.33

Bank balance after all expenses paid \$11,075.75
Thanks to the congregation for their ongoing support.

You're Invited!



A Special Coffee Hour

will be held on November 3rd
to wish John and Darlene McMartin best wishes,
as they are moving to Sarnia, Ontario at the end of November.

The Gathering Place

Join The Gathering Place on Thursday, October 24th at 10:00 a.m. Judy Neville will be our guest speaker. Judy has an amazing British Home Child connection to St. John's.

Come hear her story!

We welcome neighbours and friends.

**Need a ride? Contact Paul Hickey
613-362-0396, or paulhickey24@gmail.com**



PUMPKINFERNO

**The youth will be attending Pumpkinferno
at Upper Canada Village
on Wednesday, October 23rd.**
**If your child or youth is interested in attending
please contact Trish Brown 613-363-3030**