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Order of Worship

WELCOME TO

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 21, 2017



A warm welcome in the name of Jesus Christ and a special welcome to all visitors and friends with us this morning. Please join us after the service for refreshments in St Andrew's Hall. Ashley Reynolds is our certified caregiver for the nursery held just off St. Andrew's Hall in the Polson Davis Room. Infants and children aged three and under are welcome. Laura Tyner-Clement is our church school teacher, whom children are welcome to join immediately after the 'Time for Children' during the service. Please ask one of the ushers for any additional information. As a matter of respect for our Indigenous neighbours, we acknowledge that we meet on traditional Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee territory.

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If you wish to leave during the Postlude, please do so quietly.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Ushers

This morning – William Anthony, Sam Houston,
Kathleen Jones, Doug Jones
May 28 – Elaine Coderre, Pat Coderre,
Doug Rigsby, Philippe Gabrini

Flowers

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Victoria May Clark and her son Hugh. Given by her sons Robert, Peter and Dennis.

Responsive Reading

Responsive Psalm

For God alone my soul waits in silence
for whom comes my hope.

**God alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress;
I shall not be shaken.**

On God rests my deliverance and my honour;
**my mighty rock,
my refuge is God.**

Trust in God at all times, O people;
**pour out your heart before God
who is our refuge.**

Those of low estate are but a breath,
those of high estate are a delusion;
**in the balances they go up;
they are together lighter than a breath.**

Put no confidence in extortion,
set no vain hopes on robbery;
if riches increase, set not your heart on them.

**One thing God has spoken:
two things I heard:
that might belongs to God
and steadfast love is yours, O Lord,
for you repay to all
according to their deeds.**

1 Samuel 2: 1-8

Hannah prayed and said, 'My heart exults in the LORD; my strength is exalted in my God. My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in my victory.

'There is no Holy One like the LORD, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God. Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth; for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed. The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength. Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil. The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn. The LORD kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up. The LORD makes poor and makes rich; he brings low, he also exalts. He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap, to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honour. For the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and on them he has set the world.

Ephesians 6:10-17

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Notes from the Director of Music

When I was a boy, Victoria Day was a very big thing and properly celebrated. We were reminded annually of the great Queen of England whose birthday we were given a holiday to celebrate. In the playground we would recite the little poem: “the 24th of May – the Queen’s birthday; if we don’t get a holiday we’ll all run away!” The holiday became more commonly known to us as firecracker day and I always looked forward to getting together with our neighbours to shoot off fireworks in the evening. Today, there seems to no longer be that sense of celebration, and yet it is still an official holiday, named in honour of the long-reigning monarch.

Today’s music is a celebration of so-called “Victorian” music. During Victoria’s reign, the publication of music was a huge industry. People wanted to play anthems and hymns and new compositions and Gilbert and Sullivan songs on their pianos. With the huge outpouring of music, many of the musical ideas became cliché and by the turn of the century, people were beginning to look for newer and even revolutionary ideas in musical composition. Despite the overworked ideas, I love the sincerity and sentimentality in Victorian music. What wonderful depth in feeling we experience in the **Anthem** by Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876). The **Introit** by William Crotch (1775-1847) is about as early as you can get for Victorian music for the great Queen ascended the throne in 1834 when Dr. Crotch was near the end of his career. This is comforting music, which the Victorians were very good at. Some composers, like Caleb Simper (1856-1942) had a huge number of choral and organ compositions published and just about every church choir had some music by Caleb Simper, but it was so chock full of overused musical ideas, that today most has been discarded from choral libraries. The **Offertory** is a typical example of what some may find humorous today.

The **Prelude** is by Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875-1912) who was another late Victorian composer but a much more successful one. I believe that with his originality and skillful writing, people will take a second look at his output. He is one of only a few black composers who have become famous. The pomp and pageantry that is such a special part of the British monarchy is boldly expressed in the **Postlude** by Queen Victoria’s friend, Sir Arthur Sullivan. His music is Victorian at its best. Let the fireworks commence.

Mission Moment

St. Andrew's Kingston supports the Cariboo Presbyterian Church through your contribution to "Missions" on the offering envelope. It was the Synod of British Columbia who caught the vision of what God was calling the church to do for those who live beyond the reach of the traditional church. They stepped out in faith and the inspiring ministry of house churches began when the Cariboo Presbyterian Church was formed in 1989. Their mission is to reach out with the love of Jesus to the people who live in rural and remote areas in the Cariboo.

This interior area of British Columbia called the Cariboo-Chilcotin region covers almost 1/5 of this vast province. Rev. David and Linda Webber were appointed the first missionaries of the Cariboo Presbyterian Church. Five years later Rev. John Wyminga and his wife the Rev. Shannon Bell-Wyminga joined the ministry. The area they serve is from Punchaw in the northwest to Sheridan Lake, nearly 400km and more than a 5 hour drive to the southeast and covering an area of 80,000sq. km. Every year they drive 140,000km to do ministry, much of that on gravel roads in all weather conditions. A reliable vehicle is crucial to a missionary that travels almost every day to do the work. All the marks of the church are in each house; each house church is unique and has its own flavour. House church begins with music and leads into study of a passage of scripture followed by a time of prayer. Some have small groups of 5 people and some host 40 people.

Over the years of ministry, God's Spirit has led and equipped those serving the Cariboo in different ways. In the northern communities of Quesnel, Nazko and Punchaw where many First Nations people live, the work includes house church with First Nations style worship, pastoral visiting and after-school Bible Class. In the southern part of the Cariboo, the focus is on the development of Christen community in house churches and equipping the people to reach their own communities with God's love. Programs include musical coffee house evenings in downtown Lac La Hache and vibrant mid-week Bible study. Ministry continues for the seniors in care facilities at Williams Lake and 100 Mile House.

The Webber's retired in 2015 and Bruce Wilcox, an elder and Lay Missionary and his wife Jackie have joined the ministry team. -- Of special

interest: Rev. Shannon Bell-Wyminga spoke at our Women's Missionary Society meeting June 2008. The Cariboo thank all the individuals and congregations from "far away" whose friendship, prayers and financial support able them to continue their mission work.

Helen Ledford, Member of the Mission Committee.

Today

Congregational Potluck

Please remain after the service for our potluck luncheon – St. Andrew's Hall is filled with good food and company. Your presence is the gift.

The Rock and the Sword

The expanded and revised version of our congregational history will be available after the service. Due to a generous gift by Britton Smith, copies will be available for purchase for only **\$25** (payable to St. Andrew's Church), and can be signed by author Brian S. Osborne during the pot luck lunch.

Historical Interpreters

St. Andrew's has received funds from the federal government to offer four university or graduating high school students positions of 7-8 weeks through our summer open doors programme. Spread the word! Details are available online at the church website.

General Assembly

If you are interested, the Book of Reports that commissioners will be studying is now available at <http://presbyterian.ca/gao/ga2017/> It gives a comprehensive overview of the Church across Canada and the issues before it. We are in need of individuals to assist with greeting commissioners as they arrive for registration, to receive and hold their luggage at the residence while they park their car. Saturday and especially Sunday afternoon.

Donations for Refugees

Government assisted refugees are in need of many items for their new beginnings in Canada. Have a look at the list posted in St. Andrew's Hall. The drop off is at 225 Queen Street, just across from the Church (formerly Blockbusters).

Advance Notice

Reception of New Members

Sunday May 28, 10:30 a.m. There are different ways of relating to this congregation. Being a 'friend' is a casual relationship. An 'adherent' is one who is regular in attendance and supports the ministry of the Church. A 'member' is one who is moved to make St. Andrew's their declared church family. If you feel that you could grow in Christian faith, fellowship and service with the people of St. Andrew's, you would be welcome! Please speak to any Elder or the Minister for details.

Sunday Perspectives

Sunday May 28, 7 p.m. an opportunity to see the film that was awarded both the Palm d'Or and the Ecumenical Jury prize at Cannes – 'I, Daniel Blake' by Ken Loach. Buy your own ticket at the Screening Room, and join with others from St. Mark's Lutheran and Chalmers United at the Screening Room for a contemporary film and a brief discussion afterward in the cinema.

Also...

Music for The Mess

There will be a benefit concert by the band "Forgiven" held on Thursday, May 25th at 7 pm. at City Christian Center. Tickets may be purchased for \$10 and will include dessert and refreshments. For more information please contact Sandi 613.484.3886 themesskingston@gmail.com, or drop into the studio at 130 Clergy on Tues. Wed. or Thurs. between 10 am and 2 pm.

Weekly Givings

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May 7, 2017	\$3,066	\$3,110
Year to Date	\$89,421	\$80,608

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