

## Winter Worship ...

### Feeding the 5000

Sunday February 2, 10:30 a.m.  
On this day when we entrust to prayer the work we do through Presbyterian World Service and Development, we remember how Jesus asked his first disciples 'How many loaves have you?' (Mark 6:30-44). Is this a question he is asking also of us?  
As we consider our blessings, we gather to celebrate the Lord's Supper.

### No Deeds of Power

Sunday February 9, 10:30 a.m.  
We continue our journey through Mark, and we come to a story that shocks - we are told Jesus could perform no deeds of power! Why? (Mark 6:1-6).

### Student Sunday and Potluck

Sunday February 16, 10:30 a.m.  
This morning we welcome the Rev. Prudence Neba, a minister of the Presbyterian Church in Cameroon and a Ph.D. candidate at McGill through Presbyterian College Montreal.  
And after the service, a potluck lunch – contribute if you can, but your company is the gift!

### Take Heart, It Is I; Do Not Be Afraid

Sunday February 23, 10:30 a.m.  
Our God comes to his disciples in their moment of distress (Mark 6:45-52), and to us in ours.  
And after the service, sandwiches and our Annual Congregational Meeting.

## Lent Begins ...



### Ash Wednesday

Wednesday February 26, 7 p.m.  
A joint gathering of Anglican, Lutheran, Presbyterian and United churches, a brief service at St. Mark's Lutheran to begin our journey to Easter.

## Congregational Activities and Opportunities ...

### Imago Dei

Thursday February 6, 4:30-5:30 p.m.  
If you are desiring to know God better and experience a closer walk with God, you are invited to join in this opportunity for reflective scripture reading and prayer. Contact Dorothy for more information [dotmessenger@gmail.com](mailto:dotmessenger@gmail.com)

### Chapel Services

If you would like to support one of the services conducted by our minister by your presence, you would be welcome ...  
Rideaucrest – February 9, 2 p.m.  
Royale – Feb 11, 11 a.m.  
Providence Manor – Feb 24, 10 a.m.

### Sunday Perspectives

Sunday February 16, 7 p.m.  
Join others from Chalmers United and St. Mark's Lutheran at The Screening Room for film and discussion. Our film this month ... 'Clemency'.

### Morning Bible Reading

Thursday February 20, 10 a.m.  
Join the Minister for an informal study of two scenes from Mark (6:30-44, 6:45-52). It's a great group – no previous Bible knowledge needed.

### Craft and Conversation

Friday February 28, 9:30-11:30 a.m.  
Join others for this informal time at the church. Bring a craft of your own (doodling, knitting, quilting etc.) and enjoy the company. All welcome to be inspiring or inspired. Speak to Phyllis Hume for information.

### Annual Congregational Meeting

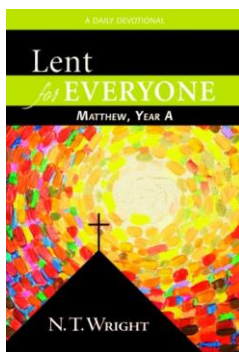
Sunday February 23, noon.  
A time for us to review the year past with thanksgiving and plan for this year ahead with commitment. Financial statements and reports will be available the Sunday prior. Sandwiches will be served, and all members and adherents are encouraged to participate.

### St. Andrew's Special Meals

Our congregation has raised up two teams to offer Sunday suppers to neighbours in need. Team #1 is co-ordinated by Larry Moore, and serves March 1. Co-ordinated by Karen Fabien, Team #2 will serve in March 8. If you would be willing to assist either team, you would be warmly welcomed.

## Journeying through Lent Together ...

The Presbyterian Church in Canada is inviting members from coast to coast to join in reading 'Lent for Everyone – Matthew' by N.T. Wright.



Jesus' proclamation throughout his ministry that "the Kingdom of Heaven is near" has often been interpreted as Jesus coming to "tell people how to get to heaven." Instead, N.T. Wright suggests that Jesus was demonstrating through his presence and his teaching that "heaven has come near to us."

Wright is Chair in New Testament and Early Christianity at the University of St. Andrew's. In this book he guides us through the Gospel according to Matthew. A reading and reflection are provided for each day. More and more is revealed about what it means that Jesus is Lord and also what it might mean to be living as followers of the risen Christ today.

The PCC will be offering a study guide to accompany the book, and also creating a Facebook Group so individuals can participate in online discussions.

Two dozen copies of the book will be available at St. Andrew's (\$12) mid-February.

## Mission Partners for 2020

In addition to our general contributions to Presbyterians Sharing, it is being proposed to the AGM that we accept a goal of \$18,500 to support the following partners this year ...

### Freedom Ministries

A chaplaincy run by the Salvation Army in local correctional facilities.

### Camp lawah

A Christian camp for children, youth and families near Westport - "In All Ways Acknowledge Him" – Proverbs 3:5-6.

### HomeBase Housing

Meeting the needs of the street-involved and homeless of our city.

### Mission Exposure Tour

To support participation by members of our congregation in PCC organised tours.

### Presbyterian World Service and Development

Supporting churches and partners around the world working amongst their own people for the common good.

### Special PCC Partners

Caribou House Churches, B.C.  
Flora House for Women, Winnipeg  
Training Christian Leaders, Middle East

### Christian Student Ministries

Presbyterian College Montreal  
Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship  
(Kingston)

From the Desk of the Minister, 2020

## The Days of February



Winter is a time of faith,  
a time of quiet,  
a time for going within.

Winter is a time of expectation and hope.  
It is a time of waiting.

Its days are full of promise  
and we eagerly look for and welcome  
each sign of new life

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