

Sunday January 19th, 2020



Releasing the Demons

Contemporary Tapestry by Андрей Мадекин (Andrew Madekin), Moscow Russia

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church

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Gathering to serve God & neighbour
in this community since 1817

We acknowledge that we meet on the traditional lands
of the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee peoples.

ORDER OF SERVICE

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| Preludes | Elevation Jesu Redemptor Omnium | Alexandre Guilmant Marcel Dupré |
| Entry of the Bible | | |
| Call to Worship | | |
| Hymn | What a friend we have in Jesus | #746 |
| Prayer of Approach & Lord's Prayer | | |
| Introit | Introit for Epiphany <i>Behold, the Lord, the Ruler, hath come</i> | Healey Willan |
| Greetings & Announcements | | |
| Responsive Psalm | 6 | Insert |
| Hymn | Be still and know that I am God | #64 |
| Time with Children | | |
| Gospel Lesson | Mark 5:1-20 | John M. |
| Anthem | O Jesus, I Have Promised <i>My foes are ever near me, around me and within</i> | Bode/Henson |
| Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession | | |
| Hymn | Dear Father and Lord of humankind | #451 |
| Sermon | Mark 11) 'Go home to your friends ...' | |
| Presentation of Tithes & Offerings | | |
| Offertory | Flutes | Jean Langlais |
| Doxology | | #830 |
| Prayer of Dedication | | |
| Hymn | Standing at the portal | #811 |
| Benediction | | |
| Postlude | Grand Chorus in B flat | Théodore Dubois |

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.
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, for ever. Amen.

Responsive Psalm 6

O Lord, do not rebuke me in your anger,
or discipline me in your wrath.
Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am languishing;
O Lord, heal me, for my bones are shaking with terror.
My soul also is struck with terror,
while you, O Lord—how long?

Turn, O Lord, save my life;
deliver me for the sake of your steadfast love.
For in death there is no remembrance of you;
in Sheol who can give you praise?

I am weary with my moaning;
every night I flood my bed with tears;
I drench my couch with my weeping.
My eyes waste away because of grief;
they grow weak because of all my foes.

Depart from me, all you workers of evil,
for the Lord has heard the sound of my weeping.
The Lord has heard my supplication;
the Lord accepts my prayer.
All my enemies shall be ashamed and struck with terror;
they shall turn back, and in a moment be put to shame.

Mark 5:1-20

They came to the other side of the lake, to the country of the Gerasenes. And when he had stepped out of the boat, immediately a man out of the tombs with an unclean spirit met him. He lived among the tombs; and no one could restrain him any more, even with a chain; for he had often been restrained with shackles and chains, but the chains he wrenched apart, and the shackles he broke in pieces; and no one had the strength to subdue him. Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always howling and bruising himself with stones. When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and bowed down before him; and he shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me.' For he had said to him, 'Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!' Then Jesus asked him, 'What is your name?' He replied, 'My name is Legion; for we are many.' He begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. Now there on the hillside a great herd of swine was feeding; and the unclean spirits begged him, 'Send us into the swine; let us enter them.' So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the swine; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the lake, and were drowned in the lake.

The swineherds ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came to see what it was that had happened. They came to Jesus and saw the demoniac sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, the very man who had had the legion; and they were afraid. Those who had seen what had happened to the demoniac and to the swine reported it. Then they began to beg Jesus to leave their neighbourhood. As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed by demons begged him that he might be with him. But Jesus refused, and said to him, 'Go home to your friends, and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and what mercy he has shown you.' And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him; and everyone was amazed.

NOTES FROM DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

The **Anthem** today uses a text by John E. Bode (1816-1874). Rev. Bode was an English scholar and preacher but is best remembered for his many poems. He wrote the words for *O Jesus, I have Promised* on the occasion of the confirmation of his son and daughter around 1866 (see hymn #569). The hymn has remained popular since then, using different tunes. American composer Blake Henson composed this setting just 17 years ago.

The organ music centres in on one of the most famous music schools, the Paris Conservatory. One of my organ teachers and one of my theory teachers studied there.

The first **Prelude** was written by Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911) who was a principal and teacher at the Paris Conservatory in the late 1800's. The second **Prelude** was written by one of his pupils, Marcel Dupré (1886-1971). This piece is based on an old Christmas hymn tune. It is hard to leave Christmas behind us. We still have our tree up.

The **Offertory** was written by an organ student of Dupré whose name was Jean Langlais (1907-1991). This piece explores the tonalities of flute stops on the three divisions of the organ. Although the music of Langlais certainly does sound modern, there is a nice approachable tenderness about it. The flute pipes are made of wood. We seem to have a slight shortage of metal pipes at the moment. Hopefully, all of the façade pipes will be back in place next week.

Another famous director of the Paris Conservatory, who was also a teacher and organist, was Théodore Dubois (1837 -1924). His "Grand Chorus in B flat", heard in the **Postlude** is "grand" indeed and uses the full resources of the organ, which by the time of Dubois was a large and magnificent instrument in France. All of the composers mentioned, in addition to being teachers and performers, held prestigious posts in some of the great cathedrals in Paris. I have found their writing a great inspiration as I continue to learn from their mastery of the instrument.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome

A warm welcome to all this morning in the name of Jesus Christ. Children are welcome to remain in the sanctuary during the service, but there is also offered a nursery for infants, hosted by certified care giver Tran Thao Dinh, and a program for young children, led by Laura Tyner-Clement – please speak to an usher for information if you are interested.

There are hearing-assist devices available – just ask one of the ushers – and an accessible washroom available right by the entry to St. Andrew’s Hall.

After the service, we invite you to linger and join in a congregational lunch held in St. Andrew’s Hall, and allow us to introduce ourselves.

Prayer Partnership

If you would like to have a time of personal prayer after the service, you are invited to meet a member of the prayer team at the pillar just to the left of the pulpit. Prayer team members are Dorothy M. David S. Dennis T. and Barb Z.

ALSO

The PCC Wall Calendar

The national staff are looking for high-resolution photos of what celebrating creation looks like for Presbyterians across the country for the 2021 calendar. Be creative and have fun! Deadline: **March 13, 2020**

Tower Bell Ringer

Benjamin V.

Ushers This Morning

Elaine & Pat C. Holly T.

Christina M.

January 26

John S. Joan B.

Dorothy M. Beatrice J.

| Offering Update Monthly Givings | Budgeted | Received |
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| December 31, 2019 | \$250,000.01 | \$245,034.25 |
| 2020 offering boxes and envelopes for PAR contributors are available this morning in St. Andrew’s Hall. | | |

A Prayer for the World During Tumultuous Times

O God,

you are our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

In this time of wars, and rumours of wars, and threats of wars,
we place our trust in you, O God.

And we pray for peace.

For peace in the world and for peace in the hearts of your people.

In this time of violence, and terror, and political upheaval,
we cling to you for courage and hope, O God.

And we pray for compassion.

For compassion for our friends and compassion for our enemies.

In this time of fires, and floods, and one natural disaster after another,
we look to you for help and strength, O God.

And we pray for healing.

For the healing of the Earth and the healing of your people.

Give wisdom to those who govern the nations of the world,
and guide them to work for peace with justice for all.

Give courage to those who are working to help others in need,
and ensure that they have all the resources that they require.

Give comfort to those whose hearts, lives, and communities are broken,
and sustain them with your love until they can see hope for the future once again.

We pray for people around the world, especially those in Australia and Iran;
Yemen and Venezuela, Hong Kong and Lebanon; Syria, the United States and
Canada. We pray for every place where your children are at war, in danger, in
hunger, or in grief.

We pray for those who are seeking you or doubting your presence.

With the psalmist, we remember and trust
that you make wars cease to the end of the earth;
you break the bow, and shatter the spear; you burn the shields with fire.

You say to us: "Be still and know that I am God!"

And so we pray: Still our hearts, O God, and calm our fears.

Use our prayers and our lives, our gifts and our acts of service
to touch this hurting world with your love and healing.

—The Rev. Amanda Currie, Moderator of the 2019 General Assembly



Sowing Seeds of Hope

Through Justice Ministries, the Presbyterian Church in Canada works with congregations to sow seeds of hope and respond to the justice

imperatives of the gospel. At the centre of this work is engagement with Presbyterians across Canada. Staff visit and speak to congregations, presbyteries, synods, youth groups and camps. They have recently produced resources on

- the Doctrine of Discovery,
- how to “green” your congregation,
- Earth Day,
- and materials to engage the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls final report.

In 2019 our congregation of St. Andrew's Kingston contributed \$25,000 to Presbyterians Sharing through our general budget, which includes support of the work of Justice Ministries of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

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