



**ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany, February 11, 2018**

**Service Colour: White**

**Transfiguration Sunday**

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP

10:30 a.m.

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible by the Beadle (All who are able are invited to stand)

The Greeting:

**M:** The Lord be with you

**C: And also with you**

Doxology (830) and Bible Sentence

Hymn: 466

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

**O Lord, the wonders of your creation, the order and richness of nature, the variety of people in the world, all speak to us of your glory. The coming of Jesus, the presence of the Holy Spirit, the community of faith with its worship and companionship, its learning times and its witness, all show us the marvel of your love. To you, Creator, Redeemer and Holy Spirit, we offer this sacrifice of praise and gratitude.**

**O God, whose love is abundant and patient, you alone know when we have wandered from your ways, wasted your gifts, and forgotten your purposes for us. In your mercy, forgive what we have been; help us by your Holy Spirit to do what is just, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with you; in Jesus name. Amen.**

*All: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Assurance of Pardon

**M.** The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**C. And also with you. Hallelujah** (Hymn 294) will be sung.

The Passing of the Peace – offer the words "Peace" or "The Peace of Christ".

Anthem: This little light of mine

Prayer for Understanding

Hymn: 667 (**all seated**) Children's Time and Prayer

Lessons: 2 Kings 2: 1-12 (p.308); Psalm 50: 1-6; 2 Corinthians 4: 3-6 (p.159);

Mark 9: 2-9 (p.38)

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord. **Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Hymn: 186 (Tune: 410) (unannounced)

Sermon – The Ascription of Glory

Prayer

The Offertory; **The Creed** (hymn book – inside front cover) & Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving (beginning with)

**M.** Lift up your hearts.

**C. We lift them to the Lord.**

**M.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Prayer...saying in unison:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

Prayer...and the Lord's Prayer (831) (debts, debtors)

**All (sung): Behold the lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world (2)**

The Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving for the feast and for the faithful in the past

Hymn: 187 (Tune: 371) (unannounced)

The Commissioning, Benediction, Choral Amen & Silent Prayer

Song: *Go Now In Peace* (all seated) (hymn book – inside back cover)

Postlude; The Greeting of those nearby in the pews/aisles

**Greeting Elder:** Gerry Archibald

**Usher:** Nancy Archibald

**Beadle:** Marg Bingley

**Elevator Guide:** Chris McDonald

**Organist:** Dr. Kenneth Cameron

**Choir Director:** Cheryl Weeks

**Reader:** Gerry Archibald

**Accompanist:** Helen Martin

**Audio:** Jean St-Pierre

**THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S**

**Today:** 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion

**Wed:** 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. ½ hour Ash Wednesday Services;

3:15 p.m. Hope Cottage Ministry; 6:30 p.m. Choir

**Thurs:** 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. Coffee Party & Book Sale If you have gently used books for the sale, please bring them on Thursday!

**Sun:** 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion; 10:30 a.m. – Worship, Church School & Nursery

2017 Annual Reports (with tax receipts attached) are in the lobby.

Feb. 18 10:30 a.m. Worship and annual meeting; 11:45 a.m. Potluck Luncheon (bring finger food ready to serve – sandwiches, fruit, veggies, cookies, cheese & crackers). There will also be birthday cake!

Feb. 24 6:00 p.m. 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Potluck Supper Speaker: The Rev. Michael Koslowski of Calvin Church, Halifax. Please sign the sheet in the lobby indicating what you plan to bring e.g. hot dish, salad, dessert, etc.

March 4<sup>th</sup> 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Service; 11:40 Pizza Luncheon Please sign the sheet in the lobby if you plan to attend so we will know how much pizza to order. There will also be birthday cake!

Ceilidh – Thursday, Feb. 22 7:00 p.m. Hall All welcome. This event is Sponsored by Clan Donald Admission: Something for FEED NS.

If you need a box of offering envelopes, please sign the sheet on the pew in the lobby.

There is a Prayer Board on the chime cupboard door beside the elevator door in the upper lobby. Please feel free to place prayer requests on this board e.g. person for whom you desire prayers. The minister will find a discreet way to include these requests in the intercessions/prayers for others in the last prayer at services. Persons may view this Board and add the requests to their daily prayers. The Session has made arrangements for this Board as a way of enriching the prayer life of our congregation. Paper and pencil are there for your requests.

Bluenose Bottle Exchange – 99 Woodlawn Rd. – St. Andrew's has an account at this location; your "returns" can be designated for St. Andrew's Presbyterian. The money received is given to Camp Geddie.

Can Tabs – Please save can tabs for the purchase of wheel chairs. Bring them to the lobby.

Please save used stamps for the Leprosy Mission. Leave a 1/4" margin.

Our Sponsorship of a Refugee Family: The family arrived in July 2017: Moamar Ahmed, his spouse: Sabah Durra and their 2 children: a girl - Zainab (3) and a boy - Hussam (2); if you wish to help with this project by making a gift of money, please mark your envelope/PAR envelope clearly: REFUGEE FAMILY. There are some photos in the lobby!

Knox College: The College is seeking 15 million dollars for renewal of its 100 year old building and program expansion and enhancement. The Session chose a goal of \$50,000 for St. Andrew's. \$40,000 of this was donated from the Mission, Outreach and Benevolence Fund. Donors have contributed \$7,000. Thus \$3,000 is now needed to reach this goal. Please consider making a gift in 2018 so that the goal can be reached by December 2018.

### **A miracle of abundance**

Like those who witnessed Jesus feeding the five thousand, members of the Northern New Brunswick Regional Ministry have experienced a miracle of abundance. The four separate congregations were each struggling in their own way until they came together to grow as one. Through Presbyterians Sharing, these partners in ministry are now sharing their gifts in ways that enhance, inspire, and build their communities. One of the congregations with established gifts in youth ministry recently sent a youth team to another ministry in the region to help them run a Vacation Bible School. What started out as a kind gesture ended up inspiring new leadership and sparking a whole new children's ministry where there was none before. This is just one example of how these congregations, through gifts to Presbyterians Sharing, are growing together to share God's love.

*Presbyterians Sharing shares the love of God*

### **"I hope more people like me will be helped by this clinic"**

While working at her tailoring shop in Nepal, Sita noticed her hands were starting to feel numb and looked strangely white. As the numbness worsened, Sita grew very sick and weak. Unfortunately, the doctors she visited were unable to diagnose her illness. The future looked a little brighter when Sita learned she was pregnant and eventually delivered a healthy baby girl—but the onset of a severe fever shortly after shattered her fragile hope. Sita tried one last hospital where she was diagnosed with leprosy and referred to the Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported Banke Clinic for treatment. There, a hopeful journey to recovery got its start. "I am getting good treatment, nutritious food, and care from the staff," reports Sita.

*PWS&D responds to provide life-saving medical care*