



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Pentecost 9, Sunday, July 26, 2020

Service colour: Green

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP

10:30 a.m.

Music: Dr. Kenneth Cameron

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Bible Sentence

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

O God, from whom nothing can separate us, we lift up our hearts to You, rejoicing in the wonderful works that You have done. We glorify You for the gift of grace; we honour You for the understanding and tenderness of Jesus Christ; we praise You for the presence of your Spirit in the world and in us, leading us to seek justice, to love mercy and to walk humbly with You.

O God, whose mercy is everlasting and whose wisdom brings us meaning, hope, and peace, we place before You some of our needs: our need to be reminded that, like a mustard seed and yeast, You can make use of our talents for significant purposes, our need to be reassured of our place in Your heart and in the community of faith – even as a child comes to parents to be reassured of their love, our need for patience and guidance when we are deceived, tricked, or humiliated by another person, and our need for Your forgiveness in the face of any of our words and deeds that have hurt You, others, and ourselves. Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

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

Hymn: O God, our help (words on opposite page)

Lessons: Psalm 105: 1-11 Luke Rogers

Genesis 24: 15-28 Nancy Heighton

Romans 8: 26-39 Lois Dewar

Gospel of Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52 Marg Bingley

Sermon

The Offertory Prayer: **O God, whose giving knows no ending, stir us to respond to your generosity with gracious speech, kind actions, and loving gifts to Your church, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Prayers of Thanksgiving and for others; The Lord's Prayer

The Commissioning and Benediction

Music: Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

Under the shadow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt secure; sufficient in thine arm alone, and our defence is sure.

August 2 9:00 am Holy Communion in Church; 10:30 a.m. Worship on ZOOM

Offerings: A cheque or money order can be mailed to the church

216 School St., Dartmouth, NS B3A 2Y4 or gifts can be made by E-transfer via your bank. Joyce Ross 902-435-4801 or at: g.ross@ns.sympatico.ca can answer questions on E-transfers and PAR

The Session plans to start having the 10:30 am service in the church starting on August 30. The service will continue to be available on ZOOM or by live streaming.

Keeping Communities Hygienic

Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) helps ensure that countries affected by natural disasters have access to proper sanitation. In South Sudan, continuous rainfall that caused massive floods washed away homes and food supplies of hundreds of thousands of people. Waterways and latrines were also destroyed. Without proper sanitation, the chance of contracting deadly diseases like cholera and typhoid are much higher. With PWS&D's support, 9,000 men and women are accessing clean water and adequate sanitation. Hygiene kits are distributed to families, along with training on improved hygiene practices. Ensuring cleanliness and sanitation is vital to keep communities as healthy as possible while allowing them to continue to thrive.

PWS&D promotes sanitation programs for a healthy community

Committed to serving

For over 90 years, Tyndale St-Georges Community Centre has offered empowering, supportive programs and services to the community of Little Burgundy in south-west Montreal. As one of the few English community centres in the city, Tyndale's programs include early literacy programs for preschoolers, after-school programming and day camps for school-aged children and life-skills training for adults. Located in an area that faces challenges related to poverty and has a high concentration of single-parent families, the centre is committed to ensuring that each member of the community has the opportunity and skills needed to realize their full potential.

Presbyterians Sharing helps people realize their full potential