



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Pentecost 22, Sunday, October 25, 2020

Service colour: Green

Reformation Sunday

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible by the Beadle (All who are able standing)

Bible Sentence

Lighting of the Christ Candle (after which all will be seated)

Hymn: 446 (B) Twice

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

Refreshing and renewing God, we gather for worship in the presence of God, who flows among us like a river. We gather for worship bringing memories both joyful and difficult with us. We gather for worship bringing our hopes and needs. We gather for worship rejoicing in Your work in creation and in Your steadfast love. Glory be to You, Creator, Saviour and Guide!

Gracious God, we have not loved You with our whole heart, soul, mind and strength and we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. By choice, in weakness and sometimes by unawareness we have hurt You, others and ourselves. Wash away our sin and so fill us with your nourishing water that we may live in Your light and walk in Your ways. 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.

The Passing of the Peace

Prayer for Understanding

Hymn: 314 (Tune: 370/371)

Lessons: Psalm 90: 1-6, 13-17; 1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8;

Gospel of Matthew 22: 34-46

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

Sermon followed by the Offertory

Living Faith 1: 2 (all who are able standing) – Offertory Prayer

Hymn: 702 (Tune: 566)

Prayers of Thanksgiving and for others

The Lord's Prayer (831) (debts, debtors) (murmured)

Hymn: 695 (Tune: 600) Based on 1 Corinthians 13

The Commissioning, Benediction, Choral Amen & Postlude

Elevator Guide: Chris McDonald **Organist:** Dr. Kenneth Cameron

Reader: Ian Murray **Audio:** Eldon Weeks & Ross Barkhouse

Soloist: John Bartlett-Visser

Today: 11:30 a.m. Youth Group

Wed: 9:15 a.m. FOOD Ministry

Sun: 9:00 a.m. Communion; 10:30 a.m. Worship & Church School

2021 Presbyterian Church Calendars (\$7.00) available from Youth Group

Mission Moment – Increasing Nutrition in Malawi

Due to fear of contracting COVID-19, people in Malawi who are already vulnerable because of the effects of HIV and AIDS have increased concerns about accessing medication and community support. Presbyterian World Service & Development-supported Ekwendeni Hospital AIDS Program (EHAP) has been supporting those whose lives are impacted by HIV and AIDS for decades. Acknowledging these increased concerns, EHAP continues to provide community health support through physically distanced workshops to help families learn how to cook nutritiously with limited ingredients.

A Long Journey for a Rohingya Family

Polio left 20-year-old Kafietula and his 10-year-old sister Shohita unable to walk. One day, arson and killings in their neighbourhood forced these Rohingya children to flee their home. For a week, Kafietula's family members carried him and his sister until they reached safety in Bangladesh. There are many families like Kafietula's who, after brutal journeys, are far away from home and without food or proper shelter. Working with partners at Canadian Foodgrains Bank, PWS&D is providing food vouchers so that families can shop at local markets. With diversified foods to help them stay healthy, many Rohingya people can begin to dream again. "Shohita is able to go to school and is learning English. She has a dream of being a teacher and wants to help others."

PWS&D helps people who have fled their homes

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Hymn: 314

1. God is love: come heaven, adoring: God is love: come earth, rejoice.
Come creation, voices soaring, sing exulting with one voice.
God who laid the earth's foundation,
God who spread the heavens above,
God who breathes through all creation
God is love, eternal love.
2. God is love, whose arms enfolding all the world in one embrace,
with unfailing grasp are holding every child of every race,
and when human hearts are breaking under sorrow's iron rod,
all the sorrow, all the aching wrings with pain the heart of God.
3. God is love, and though with blindness sin afflicts all human life,
God's eternal loving kindness guides us through all earthly strife.
Sin and death and hell shall never o'er us final triumph gain;
God is love: so love forever o'er the universe must reign.

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Hymn: 702

1. Dear Christ, uplifted from the earth,
your arms stretched out above through every culture,
every birth, to draw an answering love.
2. Still east and west your love extends,
and always, near and far,
you call and claim us as your friends
and love us as we are.
3. Where age and gender, class and race,
divide us to our shame, you see a person and a face,
a neighbour with a name.
4. May we, accepted as we are,
yet called in grace to grow, reach out to others, near and far
your healing love to show.

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Hymn: 748

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