



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Lent 1, Sunday, February 21, 2021

Service colour: Purple

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

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

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

Lighting of the Christ Candle & PWS&D Lenten Reading

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

Creating God, from the dust of the earth you formed us! Loving God, through the sacrifice and rising of Jesus, you have given us the gift of rising to new life from the dust of our sins! Guiding God, you walk with us in the garden of life offering us your wisdom as we make our choices.

Caring God, whose Son was tempted as we are, we confess that often we have given in to the temptations that we meet. We sometimes live for ourselves and apart from you. We waste and pollute your precious gifts of air, sea and land. Have mercy upon us according to your steadfast love; wash us and we will be whiter than snow. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within us. Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon & The Passing of the Peace

Prayer for Understanding

Hymn: 194 (all seated)

Lessons: Genesis 9: 8-17 (p.7); Psalm 25: 1-10; Mark 1: 9, 12 (p.30)

Sermon

The Offertory Hymn: 205 vs. 1-5

Living Faith 3.3.1 & 2 & Offertory Prayer

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

Hymn: 200 (all seated)

Benediction & Choral Amen

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

Postlude

Welcoming Worshipper: Mary Pyche, Gregg Lambert, Cheryl Weeks

Elevator Guide: Bill Langley **Organist:** Dr. Kenneth Cameron

Reader: Gregg Lambert **Audio:** Ross Barkhouse, Eldon Weeks

Wed: 9:15 a.m. FOOD Ministry

Thurs: 1:30 p.m. Atlantic Mission Society on ZOOM

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

Annual Meeting Monday, March 22 7:30 p.m. on ZOOM. We will watch a 7 minute video about our church family, The Presbyterian Church in Canada. We will have one expression of faith. Reports will be emailed and/or on website. Several will be printed as well.

2020 Tax Receipts will be emailed early this week.

Offerings: If you wish, gifts may be mailed to the church 216 School St., Dartmouth, NS B3A 2Y4 or sent by e-transfer to the Church Treasurer.

If you are interested in this, contact Joyce Ross at 902-435-4801 or email her at g.ross@ns.sympatico.ca.

Our 68th Anniversary is March 3; at the March 7 service we will focus on our Anniversary.

Mission Moment – Certainty in the Midst of Change

We live in a world that is constantly changing. The past year brought unprecedented change, and we had to learn to adapt in our lives, jobs and congregations. In the midst of so much change, Presbyterians Sharing has continued to support the mission and ministry we do together—often in new and adaptive ways. What hasn't changed is our commitment to one another, discerning together, moving forward together, being in community together, sharing God's message together, confronting injustice together and caring for vulnerable people together. That's what Presbyterians Sharing is all about. As we put our gifts into God's hands, God is doing remarkable things.

Paying it forward in Ghana

Due to the loss of his leg from an infection at the age of thirteen, Halidu Dayuma thought he would never be financially stable. Some simple pieces of thread and the caring support of Garu Community Based Rehabilitation Centre in Ghana changed everything. At this PWS&D-supported centre, which is committed to improving the quality of life for people with disabilities, Halidu learned cloth weaving and dressmaking so that he could make an income. Inspired by his studies with skilled coaches, Halidu is now paying it forward by training more than 40 apprentices to continue the work he loves. In gratitude, Halidu reflected, "I am who I am today because of your generous work and love."

PWS&D helps people overcome limitations

Hymn #194

1. Come, let us to the Lord our God
with contrite hearts return;
our God is gracious, nor will leave
the desolate to mourn.
2. God's voice commands the tempest forth
and stills the stormy wave;
God's arm is strong and swift to strike,
but also strong to save.
3. The night of sorrow long has reigned,
but dawn shall bring us light;
God shall appear, and we shall rise
with gladness in God's sight.
4. Then let us know, let us press on
to know our God the Lord,
whose coming is as sure as dawn,
whose name shall be adored.

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Hymn #205

1. O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
how passing thought and fantasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake.
2. For us baptized, for us he bore
his holy fast and hungered sore;
for us temptations sharp he knew,
for us the tempter overthrew.
3. For us he prayed; for us he taught;
for us his daily works he wrought:
by words and signs and actions, thus
still seeking not himself, but us.

4. For us to wicked hands betrayed,
scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death,
for us gave up his dying breath.

5. For us he rose from death again;
for us he went on high to reign;
for us he sent his Spirit here
to guide, to strengthen and to cheer.

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Hymn # 200

1. Lord Jesus, who through forty days
for us did fast and pray,
teach us with you to mourn our sins,
and at your side to stay.

2. As you with Satan did contend,
and did the vict'ry win,
oh give us strength to persevere,
in you to conquer sin.

3. As thirst and hunger once you bore,
so teach us, gracious Lord,
to die to self, and daily live
by your most holy word.

4. And through these days of penitence,
and through the Passiontide,
now, evermore, in life and death,
Lord Christ, with us abide.

5. Abide with us, that so, this life
of suffering over past,
an Easter of unending joy
we may attain at last.

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