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Pentecost 7, Sunday, July 9, 2023

Service colour: Green

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. (also on YouTube)

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible (all who are able standing)

Lighting of the Christ Candle; Doxology (830)

Hymn: 443 (Tune 138) "When all thy mercies"

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

O God, our Creator, we gather to honour you for your mercies which are new each morning. Lord Jesus, our Saviour, we come to this place in response to your tender invitation: "Come to me and I will give you rest." Holy Spirit, we meet to praise you for helping us to fulfil that covenant that you made with us in our Baptism.

O God, who knows us better than we know ourselves, we are well aware that love is patient, kind, forgiving and gracious. Because we are fond of our own way, we fail at times to demonstrate that love, damaging our relationships with you and others. The good we want to do, we do not do and the evil that we do not want to do is what we do! In our foolish moments, we seek to carry our burdens and fulfil our duties under our own power, neglecting your support and grace; receive our confession through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song: 561 "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); The Passing of the Peace

Prayer for Understanding

Lessons: Psalm 45: 10-17; Romans 7: 15-25a (p.137); Matthew 11 : 16-19, 25-30 (p.10)

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: 357 "How sweet the name of Jesus"

Sermon

The Offertory, The Creed (539) & Offertory Prayer (all who are able standing)

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

Hymn: 671 "I heard the voice of Jesus say"

Benediction & Choral Amen

Song: "Go Now in Peace" (all seated) (hymn book – inside back cover)

Postlude

Welcoming Worshipers: Mary Pyche and Gregg Lambert

Elevator Guide: Chris McDonald

Organist: Dr. Ken Cameron

Placing the Bible: Bill Langley

Reader : Mary Pyche

Pianist: Cheryl Weeks

Audio: Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell

Wed: 7:00 a.m to 4:00 p.m. Hope Cottage Ministry

Sun: 9:00 a.m. Worship; 10:30 a.m. Worship, & Nursery

A Land Acknowledgement: We acknowledge that we are in the Mik'kma'ki-the unceded territory and the ancestral homeland of the Mi'kmaq Nation.

Mission Moments

With support from Presbyterians Sharing, Action Réfugiés Montréal provides hope and assistance to refugees through social programming, sponsorship and raising awareness of refugee rights. The organization runs the popular "Twinning Program" that matches newly arrived refugee women with women living in Montreal. Through regular meetings and group activities, the "twins" create bonds of friendship and solidarity. The program helps to reduce isolation and overcome barriers that the women face in their day-to-day lives. Who are the people in your community that could benefit from having someone come alongside them in a supportive and empowering way?

Supported by gifts to Presbyterians Sharing, the PCC's New Beginnings program facilitates a renewal process that helps congregations discern God's call for their future and create a plan to move forward. With the help of the program, the rural congregation of St. James Presbyterian Church, North Yarmouth, in southwestern Ontario successfully brought their church community closer together and found new ways to reach out to their neighbours, such as through a partnership with a local charity called Harvest Bowl, which collects vegetables that would otherwise be thrown away and repurposes the ingredients to create dry soup mixes for distribution to food banks and shelters.

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Hymn 443

1. When all thy mercies, O my God, my rising soul surveys,
transported with the view, I'm lost in wonder, love and praise.
2. Oh how shall words with equal warmth the gratitude declare
that glows within my enraptured heart? But thou canst read it there.
3. Ten thousand thousand precious gifts my daily thanks employ,
nor is the least a cheerful heart that tastes these gifts with joy.
4. Through every season of my life thy goodness I'll pursue,
and after death, in distant worlds, the glorious theme renew.
5. When nature fails, and day and night divide thy works no more,
my ever grateful heart, O Lord, thy mercy shall adore.
6. Through all eternity to thee a joyful song I'll raise,
for oh! eternity's too short to utter all thy praise.

Hymn 357

1. How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
in a believer's ear;
it soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds
and drives away our fear.
2. It makes the wounded spirit whole,
and calms the troubled breast;
'tis manna to the hungry soul,
and to the weary rest.
3. Dear name! the rock on which I build,
my shield and hiding place,
my never failing treasury,
filled with boundless stores of grace.
4. Jesus, my shepherd, guardian, friend,
my prophet, priest and king,
my Lord, my life, my way, my end:
accept the praise I bring.

5. How weak the effort of my heart,
how cold my warmest thought,
but when I see thee as thou art
I'll praise thee as I ought.
6. Till then I would thy love proclaim
with every fleeting breath,
and may the music of thy name
refresh my soul in death.

Hymn 671

- I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Come unto me and rest;
lay down, thou weary one, lay down
thy head upon my breast!'
I came to Jesus as I was,
weary and worn and sad;
I found in him a resting place,
and he has made me glad.
2. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one,
stoop down, and drink and live!'
I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that lifegiving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived
and now I live in him.
 3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'I am this dark world's light;
look unto me, thy morn shall rise,
and all thy day be bright.'
I looked to Jesus, and I found
in him my star, my sun,
and in that light of life I'll walk
till traveling days are done.

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