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Pentecost 11, August 6, 2023

Service colour: Green

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

Prelude (a time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible (all who are able standing)

Lighting of the Christ Candle; Doxology (830); Bible Sentence

Hymn: 324 "Great is thy faithfulness"

Prayer of Adoration; Prayer for Pardon and Grace:

Blessing and glory and honour and thanksgiving be given to You, O God, forever and ever. You are worthy of our praise but your glory cannot be expressed fully by our tongues. Holy Creator, loving Son, guiding Spirit, your goodness cannot be measured, your power cannot be described, and your grace cannot be contained. To You we offer this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.

O God, ever patient and ever merciful, we admit that we have not always loved what You have commanded, we have not always desired what You have promised, and we have not always been grateful for what You have given in such abundance. You are for us the bread of life but we have sometimes sought nourishment elsewhere and have tried to live in our own strength.

Have mercy upon us, according to Your steadfast love, wash us thoroughly from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. 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

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

Hymn: 348 "Tell me the stories" (all seated)

Lessons: Psalm 71: 1-8, 15; Genesis 32: 22-31 (p.28);

Gospel of Matthew 14: 13-21 (p.4)

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: 507 "Break now the bread of life"

Sermon

The Offertory

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

Prayers of Thanksgiving and for others; The Lord's Prayer (831)

Hymn: 642 "O Master, let me walk with thee"

Benediction & Choral Amen

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

Postlude

Welcoming Worshippers: Jamie Leck

Elevator Guide: Chris McDonald

Organist: Dr. Ken Cameron

Readers: Jim and Linda Russell; Jamie Leck

Audio: Ross Barkhouse, Luke Campbell

The minister is at Iona Church today; he will join us at Hymn 507.

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

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

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.

Gifts: Offerings may be made by e-transfer; the address is standrewspc216@gmail.com. Please state clearly what the gift is for e.g. Operating, Presbyterians Sharing, etc.

Mission Moment

In Malawi, Alifonsina Banda, a 26-year-old mother, took part in vocational skills training through the PWS&D-supported Every Girl Empowered project. Despite the long-standing perception in her community that electronics courses are not for girls, Alifonsina challenged herself and enrolled in the electronics course. Since completing the class, she has repaired phones, installed satellite dishes, and worked as an electrician, earning a sustainable income from her business. "After the course, I had the most wonderful festive season in my life. I may not be able to remember how much money I made, but I had a client almost every day," she shares. In the future, Alifonsina plans to open an electronics shop to sell spare parts and is thankful that the Every Girl Empowered project has given her a lifelong opportunity to improve the financial opportunities for herself and her family.

Hymn 324

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;
thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not;
as Thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain

Great is Thy faithfulness; great is Thy faithfulness;
morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in eloquent witness
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. [R]

3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! [R]

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Hymn 348

1. Tell me the stories of Jesus I love to hear,
things I would ask Him to tell me if he were here:
scenes by the wayside, tales of the sea,
stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

2. First, let me hear how the children stood round his knee,
And I shall fancy his blessing resting on me:
Words full of kindness, deeds full of grace,
all in the love - light of Jesus' face.

3. Tell me about the disciples from far and near,
and I will listen among them eager to hear.
Whose loaves and fishes did Jesus bless,
showing the people God's tenderness?

4. Tell me, in accents of wonder, how rolled the sea,
tossing the boat in a tempest on Galilee,

and how the Master, ready and kind,
chided the billows and hushed the wind.

5. Into the city I'd follow the children's band,
waving a branch of the palm tree high in my hand;
one of his heralds, yes, I would sing
loudest hosannas, Jesus is King!

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Hymn 507

1. Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,
as once you broke the loaves beside the sea:
beyond the sacred page I seek you, Lord:
my spirit longs for you, O living Word.

2. You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me;
your holy word is truth redeeming me.
Give me to eat and live with you above;
teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

3. Oh send your Spirit now, dear Lord, to me;
touch now my blinded eyes and make me see:
then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall,
and I shall find my peace, my all in all.

Hymn 642

1 O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free;
Tell me thy secret, help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

2 Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of
love;
teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward
way.

3 Teach me thy patience; still with thee in closer, dearer company,
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over
wrong.

4 In hope that sends a shining ray
far down the future's broad'ning way,
in peace that only thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live.

