

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, BAYFIELD

Fourth Sunday in Lent 2022 03 27 11 am

WE GATHER

PRELUDE *a time of quiet reflection*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The grace of Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

HYMN **Let There be Light** **#727**

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation

All: Together we will make a new beginning in Christ!

One: Let us worship God with joyful hearts, trusting God to renew us and all things.

All: We will lift our praises to God with hearts refreshed by grace.

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SHARING THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

HYMN **Come, let us sing** **#706**

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

HEBREW BIBLE **Joshua 5:9–12** **[B#197/W#217]¹**

HEBREW BIBLE **Psalms 32** **[B#506/W#562]**

EPISTLE **2Corinthians 5:16–21** **[B#181/W#191]**

GOSPEL **Luke 15:1–3, 11b–32** **[B#78/W#80]**

May God bless our understanding of this, God's holy word.
The word of the Lord.

HYMN **There were ninety and nine** **#347**

MESSAGE **The lost** **Rev. Dolson**

HYMN **Amazing grace** **#670**

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

THE OFFERING OF OUR LIFE AND LABOUR TO GOD

QUOTE When we give cheerfully and accept gratefully, everyone is blessed Maya Angelou – poet, civil rights activist

PRAYERS OF PEOPLE, BLESSING OF GIFTS

HYMN **Love divine, all loves excelling** **#371**

TO GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE **Holy, Holy, Holy** **#623**

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¹ Page #'s for pew bibles with Blue or White edged pages

Resources include: PCC Worship Planner, Feasting on the Word: Preaching the Revised Common Lectionary and Companion, <https://www.workingpreacher.org/>

Morning Prayer 2Cor. 5:16

Loving God, in all I today, use me as a sign of your love. Let me see all whom I encounter with the eyes of Christ, through whom I pray. Amen.

Evening Prayer Luke 15:11b-24

Merciful God, if like the Prodigal Son I stray from you, call me back to your loving embrace. If like the elder son, I harbor resentment for the grace you give to others, call me to your loving grace. Help me to embrace compassion and forgiveness to all who lose their way. Amen.

Daily Prayer Luke 15:20; 2 Cor. 5:18-20

Gracious God, seeker of the lost, draw your children back to your loving embrace, restore us and reconcile our hearts to you. May we may be ambassadors of your reconciling love to all the world. Through Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit we pray. Amen.

Questions for Reflection

In what ways am I like the Prodigal Son? In what ways am I like the elder son?

Are you dealing with **food insecurity**? Reach out to the Bayfield Area Food Bank if you are struggling to put food on your table. Make a confidential call to 519-955-7444

The **Presbyterian Connection** newspaper unites Presbyterians across Canada through stories, reflections, interviews and articles that allow us to share and develop our faith. It is distributed four times per year, free of charge. <https://presbyterian.ca/presbyterian-connection/> or contact the National Church Office at 1-800-619-7301 ext. 243 to set up a free paper subscription.

MISSION MOMENT: In Nepal, Pallu Oli knew something wasn't right when he felt a burning sensation on his leg. After seeing the doctor, Pallu was prescribed medicine but did not feel better after taking it. As his health worsened, Pallu wondered why he hadn't healed yet. His son suggested that he visit the Shining Hospital. At the hospital, Pallu was diagnosed with leprosy and entered a treatment program (which he has since completed). Sharing his experience, Pallu expressed, "I am very happy that my disease is diagnosed and is treated accordingly." The Shining Hospital is supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development.

Readings next week

Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126
Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8

Our worship services are **live streamed** and **recorded** then posted on our **website, facebook, and YouTube** channel! Each week the online links are sent to the congregation by email. Several people are unable to attend because of health concerns, lack of physical accessibility, and distance. Plus, the videos expand our outreach into the larger community. **Please** speak with Brenda McLean, Deb Cosford, or Rev Lisa if you are interested in volunteering to help on the **Audio Visual Crew**. Reach out to Rev Lisa if you would like help accessing the weekly video.

Are you aware that **financial offerings** can be made with post-dated cheques, PAR (Pre Authorized Remittance), and e-transfer. When you provide a dependable flow of contributions it helps significantly with budgeting. It is easy to set up and easy to make changes. For more information contact Brenda McLean 519-524-8645 brmclean@hurontel.on.ca and she will guide you through the process.

Watch the date!

- April 15 Good Friday
- April 17 Easter Sunday with Communion

Knox Bayfield updates are included on **Bayfield Activities** <https://www.bayfieldactivities.info>

Join in the book discussion on Tuesday @ 2 pm on Zoom ***The women of the bible speak; the wisdom of 16 women and their lessons for today*** by author Shannon Bream. Our Zoom link is on www.knoxbayfield.ca or contact Rev Lisa to be added to the weekly email.

Lighter side: Why don't sheep shrink when it rains?

Your contributions to the ongoing work of the church are appreciated. The February **financial reports** show income \$2,737 and expenses \$5,228 with a year-to-date deficit of \$4,761.

Ukraine Crisis Appeal: The current conflict in Ukraine has caused massive displacement resulting in an urgent need for food and non-food support. We lift up the people of Ukraine and surrounding regions in prayer.

<https://presbyterian.ca/2022/03/04/praying-for-ukraine/>

There are many ways to take additional action to assist them during this difficult time. **The Canadian Foodgrains Bank and ACT Alliance** are receiving donations through **PWS&D** to respond to the escalating situation in Ukraine. Financial donations online www.WeRespond.ca/Ukraine-Crisis or www.redcross.ca

Camp Kintail Sunday Supper dine in or take out starts April 3rd with sittings from 4 - 6 pm \$20 Register: camp office at 519-529-7317 or e-mail admin@campkintail.ca