

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, BAYFIELD

11 am Sunday 2022 04 24

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: Celebrate God in all places under heaven!

All: Give praise for God’s mighty deeds!

One: Give praise for God’s resurrecting power!

All: Let everything with life and breath praise God!

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SHARING THE PEACE

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

Hymn **The day of resurrection** **#249**

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

TANAKH* **Psalm 150** [B#583/W#646]

HISTORICAL **Acts 5:27–32** [B#123/W#127]¹

EPISTLE **Revelation 1:4–8** [B#245/W#266]

GOSPEL **John 20:19–31** [B#115/W#119]

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

HYMN **To Thine be the glory** **#258**

MESSAGE **Rev. Dolson**

HYMN **Jesus, stand among us** **#452**

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

THE OFFERING OF OUR LIFE AND LABOUR TO GOD

QUOTE Every generous act and every perfect gift is from above. *James 1:17*

PRAYERS OF PEOPLE, BLESSING OF GIFTS

HYMN **Where charity and love prevail** **#692**

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

*Tanakh, an acronym derived from the names of the three divisions of the Hebrew Bible: Torah (Instruction, or Law, also called the Pentateuch), Nevi'im (Prophets), and Ketuvim (Writings).

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

Morning Prayer

Gracious God, you are the God who is and was and is to be. Thank you that Christ has freed us to be a kingdom of priests serving you and your world. Give me a deeper sense, as I move through this day, of what it means to say that you are my "Alpha and Omega," my A to Z. Amen.

Evening Prayer

Jesus, tonight I remember that your gospel gives me the power to forgive any and all, through the gift of your Holy Spirit, and that includes forgiving myself. Breathe your peace into me so that even if I pierced you today, I can still see you coming to embrace me with your freedom and love this night. Amen.

Daily Prayer

Psalms 150; John 20:22, 27, 31

God of the Resurrection, you open the tomb and invite us to sing and dance in the new life you give us. In Jesus Christ, whose wounds are not erased but glorified in resurrection, touch our wounds that they may be transformed into channels of healing for others. Holy Spirit, breathe into us the power to forgive so that all may have new life. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Readings next week

Acts 9:1-20; Psalm 30; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

Questions for Reflection

Thomas doubted the resurrection until he saw the nail holes and put his finger in the wound of the risen Christ's hands and side. We, too, have been wounded in this life, and our society often teaches us to hide our wounds and vulnerabilities. What might happen if, like Christ, we invited those shut down by life to explore our wounds?

MISSION MOMENT: When we give to Presbyterians Sharing, we are expressing our faith. Through the words that we use, the decisions we make and the actions we take, we proclaim God's love, hope and grace in the world God loves. Together, as The Presbyterian Church in Canada, we are participating in Christ's mission in Canada and around the world. We share the good news of the gospel, strengthen congregations and equip leaders. We journey toward healing and reconciliation, collaborate with ecumenical and interfaith partners, advocate for human rights, and work to restore hope. When we put our gifts into God's hands, God does remarkable things!

The **Knox Bayfield Cookbook** has over 150 wonderful recipes provided by the congregation and former Ministers. The books are only \$15. Contact Deb Cosford or leave a message on the Church phone 519-565-2913.

Your financial offerings can be made with post-dated cheques, PAR (Pre Authorized Remittance), and e-transfer. For more information contact Brenda 519-524-8645 brmclean@hurontel.on.ca Your **contributions** to the ongoing work of the church are appreciated. The March financial reports: income \$4,897, expenses \$5,328, with the year-to-date deficit \$5,192.

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.

Fraud Alerts: The impact of reported fraud in Canada 2021: Reports of fraud: 106,637 Victims of fraud: 67,724 Lost to fraud: \$380 Million! The Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre collects information on fraud/identity theft. If you think you're a victim of fraud, report it! <https://www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca/index-eng.htm>

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.

Following the worship service you are invited to linger in the sanctuary. There will be a short discussion time to ask a question or concern and, hopefully, learn a little more about this wonderful faith community. You are encouraged to participate in this new opportunity.

Word play...rearrange the letters: the eyes = they see; Presbyterian = best in prayer; astronomer = moon starrer

Ukraine Crisis Appeal: We continue to 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 and www.redcross.ca

PWS&D partners with Canadian Foodgrains Bank to advocate for awareness and action. **You can help!** For more information on how to get involved in advocacy initiatives <https://foodgrainsbank.ca/>

Bring your **used postage stamps** and unwanted **spectacles** into church. So many ways to help others and reduce our landfill waste.