

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, BAYFIELD

11 am Sunday 2022 07 17

WE GATHER

PRELUDE *a time of quiet reflection*

Hymn **Be still and know** **#64**

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 is our light and our salvation

All: Whom shall we fear?

One: God has called us together

All: and we have gathered

One: We proclaim God's holy name

All: Let us worship God together

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND SHARING THE PEACE

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

Hymn **Take my life, and let it be** **#637**

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

TANAKH* Genesis 18:1-10a [B#14/W#15]

HISTORICAL Psalm 15 [B#495/W#546]¹

EPISTLE Colossians 1:15-28 [B#200/W#213]

GOSPEL Luke 10:38-42 [B#72/W#73]

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

MESSAGE **Two sisters** **Rev. Dolson**

HYMN **God of the sparrow** **#307**

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

THE OFFERING OF OUR LIFE AND LABOUR TO GOD

QUOTE Money is but one venue for generosity. Kindness is an even more valuable currency. Alan Cohen

PRAYERS OF PEOPLE, BLESSING OF GIFTS

HYMN **Lord of all power** **#626**

TO GO FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE **Amen** **#766**

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

Morning Prayer

God, help us to see you in everything we do, in everything we say. Help us to take a deep breath and remember the Holy Spirit is inside us, with us, around us. Help us to pause, to drink water, to remember our baptism, and the covenant you established. Help us to study your Word - to see you in the past and the present. Amen.

Evening Prayer

Today, O Lord, we have sat at your feet and listened to your words. We have been empowered by your teachings. What are we to do with all that you have provided? We will go out into the world, after a restful night, and serve, and smile, and love, and work, and play, and forgive, and shout out, and sing, doing everything in your name! Amen.

Daily Prayer

Almighty God, you brought creation into being through Christ, and in Christ all things find their purpose. Open our eyes to see the world as your gift and to use your gifts for the sake of Christ, that through the witness of our lives the gospel may be proclaimed to all people. Amen.

July 17 We pray for female theological students who are overcoming obstacles and pursuing higher education at Zomba Theological College in Malawi.

July 18 We pray for farmers in Guatemala who are learning how to prepare nutritional food from their gardens with support from the PCC through PWS&D partners.

July 19 We pray for the Canadian Council of Churches as member churches witness together to the unity of Christ's church.

July 20 We give thanks and pray for archivists who work to preserve and care for the historical records of the church.

July 21 We pray for wisdom to care for the earth and act now as God's stewards for the good of future generations and all of God's creatures.

July 22 We pray for Westside Presbyterian Church in Cambridge as the congregation undergoes the search process for their next minister, and for Interim Moderator, the Rev. Megan Penfold.

July 23 We pray for the Anamiewigummig Fellowship Centre in Kenora and give thanks for the Director, Yvonne Bearbull, who is called by her community to pray, advocate and intervene in times of deep sorrow, isolation and loss.

Readings next week Genesis 18:20-32; Psalm 138

Colossians 2:6-19; Luke 11:1-13

MISSION MOMENT: Presbyterians Sharing is empowering women leaders through theological education in Malawi. Bright and capable Malawian women often face obstacles in pursuing higher education, including those that arise as a result of economic and gender-based reasons. Recognizing the gender gap and the need for more female leaders, the PCC agreed to financially support Miriam and Roselyn, teachers from Blantyre, in completing a two-year, part-time Master of Theology in Ministry Studies. This graduate program is a collaboration between Aberdeen University and Zomba Theological College. With deep faith and eagerness to learn, we look forward to how God will use Miriam and Roselyn in churches, colleges or other opportunities!

Following the worship service you are invited to linger for conversation and fellowship.

Questions for Reflection

How do you balance studying the Word and fostering a relationship with God while also serving others? What is the meaning of service? Martha was serving Jesus by being a gracious host and providing a meal. Mary was not serving, but listening to Jesus' teaching. Jesus commends Mary's attentiveness to his teaching and gently rebukes Martha for her busyness in serving. He says, "there is need of only one thing." What is that "one thing" of which Jesus speaks?

We are delighted to announce special music has been arranged for our anniversary service on August 22nd.

Martha Lawrance, Certified Therapeutic Harp Practitioner (CTHP), a local Bayfield harpist will share her musical gifts.

Your **contributions** to the ongoing work of the church are appreciated. The **June** financial reports: income \$3,670, expenses \$5,825, with the year-to-date deficit \$7,109. Your financial offerings can be made with post-dated cheques, PAR, and e-transfer. For more information reach out to: Brenda 519-524-8645 brmclean@hurontel.on.ca

Are you dealing with **food insecurity**? Reach out to the **Bayfield Area Food Bank** [BAFB] if you are struggling to put food on your table. Make a confidential call to 519-955-7444. Our outreach to the **BAFB** continues with the focus on rice and peanut butter in July. All donations are accepted, of course.

You are invited to be part of the online **faith** discussions. On **Tuesday** at **2 pm** the focus is on **Wholehearted Faith** by Rachel Held Evans (with Jeff Chu). **Thursday** at **12 noon** we are exploring the **Alpha** video series. It's a great opportunity to meet with others and explore faith in an open, informal environment. Everyone is welcome to share a time of fellowship as we explore faith together. Contact Rev Lisa for more information.

Dates to note:

31 July & 7 August Marten Dykstra, pulpit supply
22 August Anniversary Communion Sunday with special musical guest, Martha Lawrance

Ukraine Crisis Appeal: There are many ways to take action to assist during this difficult time. **The Canadian Foodgrains Bank and ACT Alliance** are receiving donations through **PWS&D** to respond to the invasion of Ukraine. www.WeRespond.ca/Ukraine-Crisis and www.redcross.ca For information on how to get involved in advocacy initiatives <https://foodgrainsbank.ca/>