

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, BAYFIELD

SUNDAY JANUARY 2, 2022 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 [responsive] *John 1:9-14*

One: The Word became flesh and lived among us

All: And we have seen his glory.

One: The true light enlightens the world.

All: Glory to God who has blessed us in Christ.

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND SHARING THE PEACE

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

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

HEBREW BIBLE **Psalm 147:12-20** [B#582/W#645]¹

APOCRYPHA **Sirach 24:1-12** [B#/W#]

EPISTLE **Ephesians 1:1-14** [B#191/W#204]

GOSPEL **John 1:1-18** [B#91/W#94]

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

The word of the Lord.

HYMN **Hail our once rejected Jesus** # 353

MESSAGE **Rev. Dolson**

SPECIAL MUSIC **A Christmas Meditation** Roy E. Nolte
Piano/Organ Duet **Ruth George/Jean Walker**

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

THE OFFERING OF OUR LIFE AND LABOUR TO GOD

QUOTE I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands. You need to be able to throw something back. *Maya Angelou (1928 - 2014) poet, civil rights activist*

PRAYERS OF PEOPLE, BLESSING OF GIFTS

HYMN **Standing at the portal** # 811

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

Loving God, each new day you fill the world with light for our work and our play. As we go to our daily tasks, teach us to live as your faithful children whose eyes are open to the light of Christ. Where there is uncertainty or dishonesty, help us see your truth. Where there is division or conflict, keep us in your love. Enable all that we do and say to bear witness you God; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Evening Prayer

Holy God, evening falls upon us, but darkness cannot overcome your light. In all that we have faithfully accomplished this day, your light has illumined our way. In all that we have truthfully spoken this day, your wisdom has guided our judgment. In any way we have strayed, may your light reveal our fault and your wisdom correct our folly. Let us rest, trusting in your love for all your children, and begin tomorrow with renewed strength to live according to your will. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

Daily Prayer

God of glory, your Word made a home with us so that we might be at home in you. Gather your children from the farthest places in the world and lead us to that home where all people can be accepted within your family, through Jesus Christ and in the Spirit, one God now and forever. **Amen.**

Questions for Reflection

How may I live as a beloved child of God? As Christ shines into the darkness of the world around me, what does the Light of Christ allow me to see?

Your contributions to the ongoing work of the church are appreciated. The November **financial reports** show income \$5,126 and expenses \$6,878 with a year-to-date deficit of \$12,774.

MISSION MOMENT: In Somalia, Shiindha was worried when her three-year-old son, Abdihakim, became sick and hadn't improved after two months. The treatment he received at a nearby clinic helped to provide short-term relief for his pain but did not help to improve his overall health. One day, a visiting community worker screened Abdihakim for malnutrition and identified that he was moderately malnourished. Abdihakim was admitted to a nutrition program right away and underwent bi-weekly treatment. After a month and a half, Abdihakim made a full recovery and was able to return home to his family. This therapeutic nutrition project is supported by Presbyterian World Service & Development (PWS&D) in collaboration with Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

Share your voice! There are many opportunities to participate in worship. Contact Rev Lisa with your choice of one or several of the following readings:

Jan 9 Isaiah 60:1–6; Psalm 72:1–7;
Ephesians 3:1–12; Matthew 2:1–12

Our worship services are **live streamed** and **recorded** for our website, facebook, and YouTube channel. People unable to attend (due to health concerns, lack of accessibility, and distance) plus others in the larger community are able to access our worship services. Each week the online links are sent to the congregation by email. Reach out to Rev Lisa if you would like help accessing the weekly video.

Please speak with Brenda McLean, Deb Cosford, or Rev Lisa if you are interested in volunteering to help on the **Audio Visual Crew**.

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

Bring your **used postage stamps**, unwanted **eye glasses**, and **empty outer milk bags** (wash/dry first!) into church. So many ways to help others and reduce our landfill waste.

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.

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.

Book your **vaccine** appointment with **Huron Perth Public Health Unit** by calling **1-833-753-2098**.

Our gratitude is extended for the musical talents shared by organist Jean Walker, pianists Betty Lou Norris, and Ruth George.

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