

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Sunday, May 27, 2018

Trinity Sunday

Welcome in the name of the living God, in the name of the beloved Son Jesus Christ, and in the name of the Spirit who gives us life. If you are a visitor you are invited to sign our guest book.

(** indicates standing, as you are able)

THE APPROACH

Organ Prelude

Entry of Choir and Minister

**Processional – The Land and Hope and Glory

** National Anthem – O Canada #833

Welcome and Announcements

****Please rise as the Bible enters the sanctuary**

**Introit # 575 Lead me, Lord

Lead me, Lord, lead me in your righteousness; make your way plain before my face, for it is you, and you, God only, who makes me dwell in safety.

**Passing of the Peace

**Call to Worship

One: Come, give thanks to God,

People: The one who pours out abundant grace on us.

One: Come, give thanks to Christ,

People: the one who strengthens and appoints us.

One: Come, give thanks to the Holy Spirit,

People: the one who is eternal, immortal, and invisible.

One: Come, let us worship God.

**HYMN #414 God, reveal your presence

Prayer of Adoration

Prayer of Confession (unison) **Holy Trinity, Three in One, in you is perfect community and perfect love. We who are created in your image, struggle to live compassionately in community and serve one another in love. Forgive our brokenness and our failings, in Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

Children's time

**Hymn #436 God, we praise you for the morning

Prayer (children go to class)

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Responsive Reading Psalm 29

One: Ascribe to God, you powers of the heaven, ascribe to God all glory and strength!

People: Ascribe due honour to God's holy name, and worship in the beauty of holiness.

One: God's voice is over the waters – God's glory thundering across the great waters.

People: God's voice is power, God's voice is full of majesty.

One: God's voice shatters the cedars, splinters the cedars of Lebanon.

People: God's voice makes Lebanon skip like a calf, Mount Hermon stampede like a wild young bull.

One: God's voice forks into tongues of fire, God's voice shakes the wilderness, sets trembling the wilderness of Kadesh.

People: God's voice causes the oaks to whirl, stripping the forest bare, and in the temple all cry: Glory!

One: God sits enthroned above the waters,

People: God is enthroned as sovereign forever.

One: You give strength to your people, O God.

People: Now give to your people the blessing of peace.

Anthem	We are God's people	<i>B. Leech/J. Brahms, arr. F. Bock</i>
Old Testament	Isaiah 6: 1-8	pg. 524
Epistle	Romans 8: 12-17	pg. 862
Gospel	John 3: 1-17	pg. 811
Leader:	The word of God for the people of God	
People:	Thanks be to God	
**Hymn #643	Lift high the cross	
Sermon	Strangers in the Night!	

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

The Offering

Offertory **#798 (verse 4)
 This gift we now bring, this present, this token
 these words can convey it, the joy of this day!
 When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,
 this song we now offer in honour and praise!

**Prayer of dedication

Prayers and the Lord's Prayer

IODE Prayer – led by Brenda Dunn (*see bulletin insert*)

Hymn **#299 Holy, holy, holy

**Commissioning and Benediction

Sending Forth **#766 Amen, amen, amen, amen

**Royal Anthem – God Save the Queen #834



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Carrying the Bible: Larry MacLeod
MacLean St. Ushers: Albert van de Pol & Theresa van de Pol
James St. Ushers: Keith & Shirley Cruickshank
Office entry Usher: Scott Grant
Scripture Readers: Brenda Dunn – Sir Frederick Banting Chapter
Gale Langille – Dr. Caroline Carmichael Chapter
Refreshments: Mark & Jennifer Thibeau & Marion MacNeil



We welcome members of the Dr. Caroline Carmichael, Sir Frederick Banting, Isgonish and Dr. Annie Hamilton chapters of the IODE as they join us and take part in the service as part of their Founder's Day.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Circle of Friends would like to **thank everyone** who helped in any way with their Soup & Dessert Luncheon on Friday. We appreciate everything that was done to help.

Coffee hosts: Please note the new schedule is out. It goes from Oct - May 2019. Please check and see when it's your turn, as there are no reminders sent.

We are once again collecting items for our Presbyterian Church Camp – **Camp Geddie**. Please see the poster on the easel in the upper hall. Items will be assembled on the stage in the upper hall and then delivered to the camp in June before it opens.

Following the Pictou County Council of Churches prayer roster, we are asked to pray for the congregation of First Presbyterian Church and their minister, Rev. Charles MacPherson.

Celebrating Graduates of the Class of 2018. We ask your help in letting us know the names of this year's graduates from our church family. Please call or email the church office.



The Worship and Music Team is interested to know if any congregation member has, or knows of, a medium size grand piano, in good condition, to donate to the church. Interested parties can forward their contact information to the church office and a member of the Team will be in contact.

The Town of New Glasgow is taking a trip to the **Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo**. The bus will leave from the Farmers Market parking lot in New Glasgow at 3:00PM on June 26. We will be stopping at the Swiss Chalet in Dartmouth for supper around 5 o'clock. The show starts at 7:00pm and is approximately two and a half hours. The bus will return to New Glasgow around midnight. Tickets are \$75 and can be purchased at Town Hall Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm. For any further questions, please contact Hannah at recreation@newglasgow.ca or by calling 902-755-8338.

U P C O M I N G E V E N T S

Readings for June 3: Deuteronomy 5: 12-15; Psalm 81: 1-10, 2 Corinthians 4: 5-12 and Mark 2: 23-3.

May 30 - Red Shield Night at North Nova Education Centre at 6:30 pm. featuring various musical talents including Don Haggart. Tickets \$10.00 and available by calling 695-3298.

June 2 - Warm Hearts Yard Sale from 8 am until sold out at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Westville. All proceeds will help bring a refugee family to know a home filled with peace and freedom and love. Please join us.

June 4 at 7 p.m. - Guitar Gospel Concert at First Presbyterian, Stellarton. Featuring Brian Bowden, Don Haggart and Sam Graham.

June 5 - Session meeting at 7 pm.

June 7 and June 21 at 7:45 pm – Worship & Music Team meets in the Session Room.

June 9 - The Pictou County Community Orchestra will be presenting its' Spring Concert at 3pm here in the Upper Hall. Special musical guests, the St. James Brass Quintet, will also perform. Tickets are \$10 per person, or \$25 per family and are available from either Brent or Lloyd and will also be available at the door.

June 10 Sunday School closing (after the service)
 Joint Congregational Picnic with St. Andrew's at Camp
 Geddie

June 10 – Trinitarians concert – 7:30 pm at Trinity United Church - tickets are \$15, \$12 seniors and \$7 students and are available from Sharon Mason or anyone in Trinitarian choir.

June 10 - 6:00 pm - Summer Gospel Concert at Second Baptist Church, Washington St. Free-will offering, lunch to follow.

June 13 - Catherine Mair, Elsie MacKay and Greg Reid AMS closing at noon at Pictou Lodge.

June 15 - **GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER?** To participate in this event as either host or guest, there are sign-up sheets at the office entry and in the hallway going to the upper hall (bright neon green paper). There will be a \$10.00 charge for adults to participate and no charge for children. All monies go back to the church to help defray daily expenses.

Mission Statement: *But he's already made it plain how to live, what to do, what God is looking for in men and women. It's quite simple. Do what is fair and just to your neighbor, be compassionate and loyal in your love, and don't take yourself too seriously – take God seriously. Micah 6: 8-The Message*