



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Sunday, Sept. 1, 2019

*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

Welcome and Announcements

**Introit

****Please rise as the Bible enters #432 vs.1**

O Lord of heaven and earth and sea,
to thee all praise and glory be;
how shall we show our love to thee who givest all?

**Call to Worship

Hymn **#434 For the beauty of the earth

Prayer of Approach

Kyrie (*Strathdee*): **#561** - Lord have mercy; Christ have mercy; Lord have
mercy upon us.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Words of Assurance

**Passing of the Peace

Hymn **#717 We cannot own the sunlit sky

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**Reaffirmation of Faith Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Responsive Psalm 52

1 Why do you boast of evil, you mighty hero? Why do you boast all day long, you who are a disgrace in the eyes of God?

2 You who practice deceit, your tongue plots destruction; it is like a sharpened razor.

³You love evil rather than good, falsehood rather than speaking the truth.

4 You love every harmful word, you deceitful tongue!

⁵Surely God will bring you down to everlasting ruin: He will snatch you up and pluck you from your tent; he will uproot you from the land of the living.

6 The righteous will see and fear; they will laugh at you, saying,

⁷"Here now is the man who did not make God his stronghold but trusted in his great wealth and grew strong by destroying others!"

8 But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God; I trust in God's unfailing love for ever and ever.

⁹For what you have done I will always praise you in the presence of your faithful people. And I will hope in your name, for your name is good.

First Lesson: Amos 8: 1-12 pg. 704
Epistle Lesson: Colossians 1: 15-28 pg. 897
Gospel Lesson: Luke 10: 38-42 pg. 794

Leader: The word of God for the people of God
People: Thanks be to God

Anthem *(Brendan Graham/Rolf Lovland)*

Sermon *Seeking the Word of the Lord*

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn **#721 All who love and serve your city

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

The Offering

Offertory **#432 vs. 7
to thee from whom we all derive
our life, our gifts, our power to give?
Oh may we ever with thee live, who givest all.

**Prayer of dedication

** Hymn **#634** Will you come and follow me

**Commissioning and Benediction

Sending Forth **#766 Amen, amen, amen



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Refreshments: Cathy Lewis, Marg Fraser & Evelyn MacLeod

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Open Choir Enrollment: NOW is the time to join us for a wonderful Fall/Winter/Spring season of singing! Rehearsals are held each Wednesday night from 7:00-9:00 pm and each Sunday morning 9:30-10:30 in the upper hall beginning Wednesday, September 4. Call the church office Tuesday-Friday at 902-752-5691 to sign up **OR** just come out and give us a try! We are growing together!



Looking for scripture readers starting in September. If you would like to read in church every few months or so, please contact the office.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 2 - Catherine Mair AMS meeting here at 2:00 pm. Please bring personal items for Viola's Place Homeless Shelter.

Sept. 6 - St. George's Anglican Church is having a Ham & Potato Salad with blueberry crisp Take Out from 4-6 pm. Tickets \$14.

September 3 - 12 - The Pictou Co Y Service Club Women will be hosting their 46th annual Used Book Fair, at the Bluenose Curling Club, Park St New Glasgow from 10:00am - 7:00pm daily. 12:00-5:00pm on Sunday. Many previously enjoyed books available.

Sept. 10 - Senior's Afternoon Tea at St. George's Hall (Forbes St.,) with sandwiches, sweets, tea, coffee & punch. This event is free to seniors.

Sept. 10 - Finance, Stewardship & Maintenance Team meets at 6:30.

Sept. 15 - **Anniversary** service with communion and St. Andrew's joining us to celebrate.

Sept. 28 - 3:00 pm. **Bible Society Concert** in the Lower Hall, featuring Don Haggart, Amanda MacIntosh & Ken Rocky. Tickets are \$12.00 with children being admitted free. There will be a bible display and refreshments after the concert.



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Micah 6: 8-The Message