



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Sunday, September 22, 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 #472** vs.1

We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord, born of the Spirit,  
established by the word; our cornerstone is Christ alone, and strong in  
him we stand: oh, let us live transparently, and walk heart to heart and  
hand in hand.

\*\*Call to Worship

\*\*Hymn **#304** We praise you, Creator

Prayer of Approach

Kyrie (*Strathdee*): **#336** - Lord have mercy; Lord have mercy;  
Lord have mercy upon us.

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Words of Assurance

\*\*Passing of the Peace

\*\*Hymn            #625    Seek ye first

Children's time

*(children go to class following story)*

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture:        Responsive Psalm 79: 1-9

<sup>1</sup>O God, the nations have invaded your inheritance; they have defiled your holy temple, they have reduced Jerusalem to rubble.

<sup>2</sup>**They have left the dead bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the sky, the flesh of your own people for the animals of the wild.**

<sup>3</sup>They have poured out blood like water all around Jerusalem, and there is no one to bury the dead.

<sup>4</sup>**We are objects of contempt to our neighbors, of scorn and derision to those around us.**

<sup>5</sup>How long, LORD? Will you be angry forever?  
How long will your jealousy burn like fire?

<sup>6</sup>**Pour out your wrath on the nations that do not acknowledge you, on the kingdoms that do not call on your name;**

<sup>7</sup>for they have devoured Jacob and devastated his homeland.

<sup>8</sup>**Do not hold against us the sins of past generations; may your mercy come quickly to meet us, for we are in desperate need.**

<sup>9</sup>Help us, God our Savior, for the glory of your name; deliver us and forgive our sins for your name's sake.

First Lesson:    Jeremiah 8: 18-9:1            pg. 586

Epistle Lesson:  1 Timothy 2: 1-7            pg. 903

Gospel Lesson:  Luke 16:1-13            pg. 799

Leader: The word of God for the people of God

**People: Thanks be to God**

Anthem

Be Thou My Vision

*(Marie Pooler)*

## Sermon    A Turn of the Season

\*\* 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

### THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

\*\* Hymn                  **#39**      God of mercy, God of grace

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

The Offering

\*\* Offertory            **#472**    vs. 3

We are the body of which the Lord is head,  
called to obey him, now risen from the dead;  
he wills us be a family, diverse yet truly one;  
oh let us freely give our gifts,  
and so shall God's work on earth be done.

\*\* Prayer of dedication

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

\*\* Commissioning and Benediction

\*\* Sending Forth    **#793**                  Amen, amen, amen

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Carrying the Bible: Gary Ross  
MacLean St. Ushers: Theresa van de Pol & Albert van de Pol  
James St. Ushers: Norman & Jean McComb  
Office Door Usher: Mark Thibeau  
Scripture Reader: Sara Fullerton  
Refreshments: Finance, Stewardship & Maintenance Team

**TODAY** - Finance, Stewardship & Maintenance Team is hosting an after church lunch consisting of a corn boil and hotdogs. This is free of charge for everyone. Please stay for some fellowship and food!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Attention Elders:** Your newsletters are ready for delivery, in preparation for our regular communion service on September 29.

**Thank you** to guest organist, Joy Shaw who replaces Lloyd for a few weeks. He will be in BC playing concerts and services with Common Cup ([www.commoncup.com](http://www.commoncup.com)).

We have received a memorial donation for **Franklin Campbell** from John & Brenda Zinck. We have received a memorial donation for **Helen MacLeod** from Phoebe Fraser.

**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. Call the church office at 902-752-5691 to sign up **OR** just come out and give us a try!

**The AED** has arrived and is installed on the wall in the office entrance. We invite people who are interested in learning how to use it, to come forward for training. Please contact the office.

The PCC is looking for pictures of **Stained-Glass Windows** for use in bulletin covers, worship materials and more. They can be submitted by email at [Presbyterian.ca/stained-glass](mailto:Presbyterian.ca/stained-glass). See poster on bulletin board. We have submitted some, but they are very dark.

## U P C O M I N G   E V E N T S

**Sept. 22** - St. John's Church MacLennan's Mountain Old Home Service will be held at 3pm. Preacher will be Rev. Charles McPherson. Special music by the Stellarton Male Chorus. A social hour will follow.

**Sept. 22** - Bethel Church -Marshy Hope will celebrate their 90th Anniversary at 2pm. Special music with a social hour following the service. All are welcome.

**Sept. 26** - Worship & Music Team meeting at 7:30pm

**Sept. 27** - Quilt/craft/art Show & Tea at Middle River Church Hall, Rocklin from 10am-4pm. Admission \$5.00 per person.

**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.

**September 29** - **11:00 am** -**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**3:00 pm**, there will be an **open air Service** at the Log Church in Loch Broom. This is a tribute to the first open air Communion service led by Rev. James Drummond MacGregor and three Elders previously ordained in Scotland, to commemorate the establishment of a congregation here at First Church on September 17, 1786. This is tied in with our anniversary celebration.

**Sept. 29** - Victoria Chandler, staff member at Camp Geddie for the past 4 years, took part in the PCC's Healing and Reconciliation Tour this past June. She will be sharing photos and her experience during a Dessert

Evening in the Hall of First Church, Pictou at 7:00 pm. We will be collecting a free-will offering to go to the work of Presbyterians Sharing which provides funding for the nine ministries that operate in and for Indigenous communities in Canada.

**October 5** - The AMS Fall Rally will be held at Bethel Presbyterian Church, Pictou Landing. Executive meet at 1:00 and Rally begins at 2:00. Guest speaker will be Tammy MacLaren from Viola's Place. Reminder: Please bring a Sympathy or Thinking of You card.

**October 5** - The West River Charge is holding a Benefit Breakfast for *Bahama Relief Aid* in the Durham Church Hall from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. (or until sold out). Menu includes scrambled eggs, sausage, pancakes & syrup, toast & jam, tea, coffee, juice. Gluten free available on request. Cost: Freewill donation at the door. Please come and bring friends!

**Oct. 25 – 7pm - MUSIC FOR THE SOUL - THE DAYTON'S IN CONCERT**

Join us for an evening of excellent secular and sacred music. Musician Sean Dayton and his wife Aimee will present an uplifting and inspirational concert of music, with something for everyone. The Daytons have toured and presented their music in churches and other venues across Canada, the United States and England over the past 15 years. With several recordings to their credit and a passion for creating music that reaches people, this is certain to be a meaningful, inspirational and spiritual musical event. Sean Dayton is a recording artist, music school owner, and songwriter from North Bay, Ontario. He has released 5 albums alongside his wife, Aimee, and garnered several GMA Canada awards. See [www.seandayton.com](http://www.seandayton.com) for more information or to hear some of his songs.

Tickets are \$15/adult and \$5 student, and are available at the church office, H&R Music, and Fulmore's Pharmacy. Tickets will be on sale in the upper hall following the service each week.



**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*