

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Reformation Sunday- October 27, 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 #459 O servants of God

Prayer of Approach

Kyrie (*Russian*): **#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 **#700 Praise our Maker

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Responsive Psalm 65

¹ Praise awaits you, our God, in Zion; to you our vows will be fulfilled.

²You who answer prayer, to you all people will come.

³When we were overwhelmed by sins, you forgave our transgressions.

⁴ Blessed are those you choose and bring near to live in your courts! We are filled with the good things of your house, of your holy temple.

⁵You answer us with awesome and righteous deeds, God our Savior,

the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas,

⁶ who formed the mountains by your power, having armed yourself with strength,

⁷ who stilled the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, and the turmoil of the nations.

⁸The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders; where morning dawns, where evening fades, you call forth songs of joy.

⁹You care for the land and water it; you enrich it abundantly. The streams of God are filled with water to provide the people with grain, for so you have ordained it.

¹⁰ You drench its furrows and level its ridges; you soften it with showers and bless its crops.

¹¹ You crown the year with your bounty, and your carts overflow with abundance.

¹² The grasslands of the wilderness overflow; the hills are clothed with gladness.

¹³ The meadows are covered with flocks and the valleys are mantled with grain; they shout for joy and sing.

First Lesson:	Joel 2: 23-32	pg. 697
Epistle Lesson:	2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18	pg. 907
Gospel Lesson:	Luke 18: 9-14	pg. 801

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

Anthem And Jesus said, our God is like a shepherd (G. Grindal/J.F.Patterson)

Sermon Dreams

**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 **#703** Happy the home when God is there

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 #680 Christ, of all my hopes the ground

**Commissioning and Benediction

Sending Forth **#793 Amen, amen, amen

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James St. Ushers:	Mike Heighton & Cristal van de Pol
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Refreshments:	Jane Williams, Louise Gillis & Sheila Dempster



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Salvation Army Toy Registration for families with children from infant to 12 years of age who need help with Christmas. There is a poster on the bulletin board with dates and places for registration.

A request from SAFE HARBOUR: There are newcomers to the community who haven't yet experienced our fall and winter weather, so they need outerwear! We have two boys (ages 10 + 13) and a range of sizes and genders for teens and adults. Note: They do not currently need anything for smaller children - the 10 year-old is the youngest. They are looking for: rain jackets, winter jackets, snow pants, hats, mitts, scarves, boots of all sizes and sweaters. Please drop donations at Trinity United Church or contact kailee.brennan@pcsafeharbour.ca.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Blood donor clinics: <u>Oct. 29</u> – Pictou Armouries 5-8pm and Wellness Centre; <u>Oct. 30</u> – Wellness Centre 1-3 & 5-7pm; <u>Oct. 31</u>- Wellness Centre 1-3 & 5-7pm; <u>Nov. 1</u> – Wellness Centre 12-3pm.

<u>Nov. 2</u> - Turkey Dinner & Christmas Sale - 4:00 at St. Paul United Church in Westville. Adults and take-outs \$14.00, children under 12 \$6.00.

<u>Nov. 2</u> - St. George's Anglican Church Christmas Tea from 10am-12. Admission \$7.

<u>November 2</u> – Volunteers Needed - CAMP GEDDIE WORK DAY – Volunteers are needed for brush clearing and trail maintenance at the Camp. Please bring your own tools and pack a lunch. Many thanks for your support of the ministry of Camp Geddie.

November 4 - Catherine Mair AMS 2pm

November 7 - Session meeting 7pm



November 22 will be our Christmas Soup & Dessert Luncheon. The Circle of Friends is asking the congregation for a 9X13 dessert. Contact Marilyn Johnstone (922-2859) to let her know if you will bring a dessert.

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