



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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November 24, 2019 - Reign of Christ 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

Welcome and Announcements

\*\*Introit

**\*\*Please rise as the Bible enters** "All hail King Jesus"

All hail King Jesus. All hail Emmanuel, King of kings, Lord of lords, bright Morning Star, and throughout eternity I'll sing your praises, and I'll reign with you throughout eternity.

\*\*Call to Worship

\*\*Hymn **#752** Blest be the God of Israel

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

Halle, Halle, Halle

\*\*Passing of the Peace

\*\*Hymn           **#776**   Jesus, life of all the world

Children's time

*(children go to class following story)*

## THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture:           Responsive Psalm 46

1 God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

**2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,**

**3** though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

**4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells.**

**5** God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.

**6 Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts.**

**7** The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

**8 Come and see what the LORD has done, the desolations he has brought on the earth.**

**9** He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth. He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

**10 He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."**

**11** The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

First Lesson:     Jeremiah 23: 1-6                                 pg. 598

Epistle Lesson:  Colossian 1: 11-20                             pg. 896

Gospel Lesson:  Luke 23: 33-43                                 pg. 807

Leader:           The word of God for the people of God

**People:           Thanks be to God**

Anthem            A Covenant Prayer

*(Allen Pote)*

Sermon            **Christ is King**

**\*\*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            #354    O living word of God**

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            #275    Jesus shall reign where'er the sun**

**\*\*Commissioning and Benediction**

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



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James St. Ushers: Louise and Brian Gillis  
Office Door Usher: Chet Fleming  
Scripture Reader: Ella Russell  
Refreshments: leftovers from luncheon on Friday

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The Circle of Friends** would like to say a **BIG THANK YOU**, to anyone who helped in any way with the Soup and Dessert Luncheon on Friday.

**We express our love and sympathy** to Hendrika van Veld and family on the recent death of her sister, Gerrie in The Netherlands. May God gently comfort all who grieve and sustain them with a spirit of peace in faith.

We have received a **memorial donation** for Marilyn (Mrs. Doug) MacLeod from sisters, Sheila MacMillan, Isabel Bonaparte, Beverley Chennell and families.

**2020 Church calendars** have arrived. They are \$5.00 each and are available at the office.

**2020 Offering Envelopes** are available for pick up in the upper hall on a table. They are filed alphabetically, with the Mac's and Mc's being filed together. If you see some for anyone that doesn't get out much, please feel free to deliver theirs to them. Thank you!

Rev. Andrew needs candlelighters and readers for the season of Advent. Please contact him if you would like to take part in the service.



**Christmas Memory Tree** inserts (they are yellow) will be in each week's bulletin from now until December 15. If you would like to donate a ball or balls, simply fill out the form and put it, along with the money in the collection plate. The Christmas Eve bulletin will contain the names of the donors and the people that have been remembered. There will not be any amounts used.

## U P C O M I N G   E V E N T S

Sing Joy! **December 1** at 3.00 pm, Sharon St. John United Church, Stellarton, with the Trinitarians and the Voicetime Studio Singers. Adults: \$15, Seniors: \$12 and Students: \$7. Tickets: 902 752 -1297, H&R Music and at the door.

**Nov. 24** - 7:00 pm - Christmas Carols at the Kirk. An evening of scripture readings, beautiful musical selections sung by the choirs of 5 churches followed by singing traditional carols. Free will offering in support of Pictou County Fuel Fund.

**November 30<sup>th</sup>** from 10am to 12 noon at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, New Glasgow (George St Entrance). Annual Christmas Coffee Party with Pantry Table. \$8. All are welcome.

**Dec. 16-19** - Twenty Minutes at the Foot of the Cradle at Second Baptist Church from 12:10-12:30 pm. Everyone welcome. Poster on bulletin board.

**Dec. 22** – 7:00 pm - St. Paul United Church in Westville is hosting the Longest Night Service for those experiencing difficulty, sadness or grief during the Christmas season.

## E V E N T S   H A P P E N I N G   H E R E:



**November 28** – We are **decorating the sanctuary** at 6:00 pm. Please come, if you can – it’s a big sanctuary and a big job.

**November 30 - Church Connections** : Faith Journeys. Do you have a particular story that started your faith journey? Let's have some fun, a coffee (tea), something light (a muffin and cheese perhaps) and some good laughter. Looking for some real-life Christian fun and storytelling. From 1:00-3:00 pm here. This is sponsored by Life and Mission committee of Presbytery.

**December 2 - Catherine Mair AMS** meeting on Monday. Members are reminded to take Christmas cards and stamps.

**December 7 - The Pictou County Community Orchestra** will hold it’s Seasonal Concert in the Upper Hall of First Church at 3pm. In addition to presenting music of the season, there will also be a carol sing-along, and other light classical music offered. Tickets are \$10/adult and \$25/family and are available by contacting Lloyd MacLean or Brent MacQuarrie. Tickets will also be available at the door.

**Dec. 7** - Again this year, we are contributing to our community by manning the **Salvation Army kettles** from 10am – 8pm at Superstore. If you would like to volunteer for a two hour period, please call or email the office and leave your name. Only 3 more people are needed!



**December 11 - Elsie MacKay/Greg Reid AMS** meeting here at 2:00 pm

**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*