



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*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** #64 Be still and know... (vs 1&3)

**Call to Worship

**Hymn #462 All my hope in God is grounded

Prayer of Approach

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

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

**Passing of the Peace

**Hymn: #341 Before the world began

Children's time

(children go to class following story)

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 27: 1, 4-9

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation— whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life— of whom shall I be afraid?

⁴**One thing I ask from the LORD, this only do I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.**

⁵For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent and set me high upon a rock.

⁶**Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; at his sacred tent I will sacrifice with shouts of joy; I will sing and make music to the LORD.**

⁷Hear my voice when I call, LORD; be merciful to me and answer me.

⁸**My heart says of you, “Seek his face!” Your face, LORD, I will seek.**

⁹Do not hide your face from me, do not turn your servant away in anger; you have been my helper. Do not reject me or forsake me, God my Savior.

Scripture: First Lesson: Isaiah 6: 1-8 pg. 524
Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11 pg. 877
Gospel Lesson: Matthew 4:12-23 pg. 739

Leader: The word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

Anthem

Sermon *Come Closer Lord, For I Am A Sinner*

**Reaffirmation of Faith #539 The Apostle’s Creed

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

** Hymn #269 Your kingdom come, O Gods

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

The Offering

**Offertory #501 Live in charity
Live in charity and steadfast love;
live in charity: God will dwell with you.

**Prayer of dedication

** Hymn #634 Will you come and follow me

**Commissioning and Benediction

**Sending Forth #264 Sing amen

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A N N O U N C E M E N T S

A reminder: **Winter Cancellation Policy at First:** Anytime there is a weather watch or warning of bad weather, First’s policy is to call the church office and any cancellation notice will be on the phone voice mail message, posted on ECFM 94.1 and the church FaceBook page.

Pastoral Care Committee will meet today following church service.

We have received memorial donations for Blanche Steeves from Greta Beck and Wyman & Loretta Elderkin.

Income tax receipts are ready for 2019. They will be given out at the back of the church for the next couple of weeks before the service, or at the office during office hours. We try to save costs by not mailing them. It's just the total for the year, but if you require a break-down, please contact the office.



All groups are asked to start working on their year-end reports. They may be emailed to the office or submitted manually. They will be printed the week of Feb. 3. Annual meeting is scheduled for **February 23**.

Job Opportunity: The Office Administrator will be retiring at the end of July. This position will begin the first of September, with full training and on-going support. If you or anyone you know would be interested, they may contact the office by email, phone or personally to find out more about this part-time position.

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

Jan. 25 - The Carillon Singers are hosting their annual Robbie Burns Evening, at 6:00pm at the Merigomish Schoolhouse. Tickets are \$30 each and must be purchased in advance, available at Chediak's or by calling 902 616-5141. Please note, this is a 19+ event.

Feb. 1 – North End Rec Centre pancake breakfast from 8:00-11:00 am.

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