

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Sunday, February 16, 2020

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
		(verses 1 & 3)

**Call to Worship

Hymn **#73 Praise to the Lord

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	#496	Thy word is a lamp unto my feet

Children's time (children go to class following story)

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Responsive Psalm 119: 1-8

¹Blessed are those whose ways are blameless, who walk according to the law of the LORD.

² Blessed are those who keep his statutes and seek him with all their heart—

³ they do no wrong but follow his ways.

⁴ You have laid down precepts that are to be fully obeyed. ⁵ Oh, that my ways were steadfast in obeying your decrees!

⁶Then I would not be put to shame when I consider all your commands.

⁷ I will praise you with an upright heart as I learn your righteous laws.

⁸I will obey your decrees; do not utterly forsake me.

First Lesson:	Deuteronomy 30: 15-20	pg. 153
Epistle Lesson:	1 Corinthians 3: 1-9	pg. 870
Gospel Lesson:	Matthew 5: 21-37	pg. 740

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

Solo He's Got the Whole World in His Hands (arr. Margaret Bonds)

Sermon Are you ready for solid food?

Reaffirmation of Faith **#539 The 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 **#717 We cannot own the sunlit sky

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 **#759** In loving partnership

**Commissioning and Benediction

**Sending Forth #264 Sing amen

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Office Door Usher:	Roger MacDonald
Scripture Reader:	Chet Fleming
Soloist:	Amanda MacIntosh
Refreshments:	Shirley Cruickshank, Judy Marshall &
	Elaine MacDonald

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Reports are at each doorway for your perusal in preparation for the annual meeting next Sunday. Please only take one and bring it with you to the meeting. We've significantly reduced the number printed this year.

Recently doors have been found unlocked and open. Please ensure when you're leaving the building, that doors are locked for security and insurance purposes. Thank you. FM&S Team

I STILL BELIEVE is a new movie that is a hopeful reminder that faith tested is faith worth sharing and opens in theatres across Canada beginning March 13, with locations to be announced the week of release.

If you would like to be a part of the **scripture-reading team**, please contact the office and leave your name.

Job Opportunity: Office Administrator. This position will begin the first of September, with full training and on-going support. Contact the office by email, phone or personally to find out more about this part-time position. Deadline mid – to late May.

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Feb 21</u> - Monthly Potluck Luncheon - This is free because it's potluck and everyone is asked to bring something that's ready to eat. It's a social time and will be followed by games, so bring your checkerboard, crib board etc. You are invited to bring a friend or neighbor, as this is not just for our church. Please use the James St. entrance.



Feb. 23 - **Annual Meeting** following the service. The congregation is asked to bring sandwiches or cookies for the light lunch. Please bring your annual report.

Feb. 25 - Shrove Tuesday Pancake/Sausage supper from 4:30 – 6pm at First United Church, Trenton. Free-will donation.

Feb. 27 - 7-9 pm at Pic. Co. Wellness Centre, Dr. Michael Ungar presents Strategies for Resilience for your mental health. Poster on bulletin board.

We shall never know all the good a simple

smíle can do ~ Mother Theresa

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