

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Sunday, February 9, 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 #817 O splendour of God's glory bright

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 #416 Blessed Jesus, at your word

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

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Responsive Psalm 112: 1-9

¹ Praise the LORD. Blessed are those who fear the LORD, who find great delight in his commands.

²Their children will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

³ Wealth and riches are in their houses, and their righteousness endures forever.

⁴ Even in darkness light dawns for the upright, for those who are gracious and compassionate and righteous.

⁵ Good will come to those who are generous and lend freely, who conduct their affairs with justice.

⁶ Surely the righteous will never be shaken; they will be remembered forever.

⁷They will have no fear of bad news; their hearts are steadfast, trusting in the LORD.

⁸ Their hearts are secure, they will have no fear; in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.

⁹They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor, their righteousness endures forever; their horn will be lifted high in honor.

First Lesson: Isaiah 58: 1-12 pg. 569
Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 2: 1-12 pg. 869
Gospel Lesson: Matthew 5: 13-20 pg. 740

Leader: The word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

Anthem His Eye is on the Sparrow (Donald Moore)

Sermon Speak Softly

**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 **#739 Lord, make us servants of your peace
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 #722 Lord, whose love

**Commissioning and Benediction

**Sending Forth #264 Sing amen

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Carrying the Bible: John Zinck

MacLean St. Ushers: Gary & Jackie Ross
James St. Ushers: Chris & Glenn Hynes

Office Door Usher: Chet Fleming
Scripture Reader: Norm McComb

Refreshments: Isabel Henderson & Brenda Zinck

Today at 2pm there is a meeting in the Upper Hall with Allen Murray, a representative of Warm Hearts, A Refugee Support Program. It's

an open information session for anyone who is interested in getting involved or volunteering with this refugee program.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We express our love and sympathy to Bella Smith on the recent death of her son, Raymond Smith, Alberta. There will be a celebration of life in the spring.

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

Income tax receipts are ready for 2019. They are available at the office during office hours.

Erwin and producer Kevin Downes staring KJ Apa (Riverdale), Britt Robertson (A Dog's Purpose), Shania Twain, and Gary Sinise (Forrest Gump). The film 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.

Job Opportunity: The Office Administrator will be retiring at the end of July. We are closed the month of August, joining St. Andrew's Church for worship, so 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

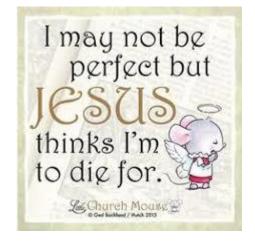
<u>Feb. 11</u> - Finance, Maintenance & Stewardship Committee will meet at 6:30 pm.

<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.

<u>Feb. 22</u> - Coldest Night of the Year Walk (a fundraiser for Roots for Youth) beginning at Christian Fellowship Church. Walk, donate, volunteer at newglasgow@cnoy.org.



<u>Feb. 23</u> - Annual Meeting following the service. The congregation is asked to bring sandwiches or cookies for the light lunch.



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