

Margaret Rodger Memorial Presbyterian Church

Lachute, Quebec

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7th Sunday of Easter

Organ Prelude

Call to Worship

Then I heard every creature in heaven
and on the earth and under the earth
and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing:

**To the one seated on the throne
and to the Lamb
be blessing and honour and glory and might
forever and ever!**

Prayer of Approach

Hymn: "The Head that once was crowned with thorns".....#270

Children's Message

Prayer of Confession

Although You have been faithful, O God, we have not always been. When things have gone well for us, we have forgotten You and have followed various distractions. When we have experienced signs of alienation from You, we have been slow to get the message. We have not put our trust in You as we could have—in You, who humble us but also lift us up, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Our actions and attitudes have not encouraged others to praise You, faithful One, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn: "O God of Bethel, by whose hand".....#654

The Word of God

Responsive Reading: Psalm 1.....Pew Bible Pg.489
Large Print Bible Pg.494

New Testament Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26.....Pg.119

Anthem: "A Clare Benediction"

Epistle Reading: 1 John 5:9-13.....Pg.241

Solo: "The Lord ascendeth up on high" Marsha Beaudoin

Gospel Reading: John 17:6-19.....Pg.111

Hymn: "Great is thy faithfulness".....#324

Sermon: "If we are faithless, he remains faithful"

Our Response to God

Offering, Doxology and Offertory Prayer

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession and Lord's Prayer

Hymn: "Take my life, and let it be".....#637

Charge and Benediction

Choral Amen

Organ Postlude

Announcement

Good Morning! Welcome to all who are worshiping with us this morning. If you are a guest, please sign our guest book.

Today's Greeter: John & Betty Brydon

Next Week's: Reg. & Audrey Mason

Today's Reader: Linda Rodger

Next Week's: Louise Porter-Pollock

Coffee Hour: Everyone welcome

Prayer Partnership

SUNDAY, MAY 20

Healing and Reconciliation Sunday

Give thanks for local leaders in The Presbyterian Church in Canada who are working in their communities to build relationships between Aboriginal and non- Aboriginal people based on mutual respect and love of neighbour.

MONDAY, MAY 21

Victoria Day

Pray for all in our churches who are making decisions, with God's guidance, regarding future schooling and summer jobs.

TUESDAY, MAY 22

Pray for The Rev. Jim Young and his wife, Ann, as they conclude their service with International Ministries in Grenada.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23

Pray for university graduates as they turn a new chapter in their lives and seek ways to be productive members of society.

THURSDAY, MAY 24

Pray for discernment for congregational search committees as they seek ministers for their congregations.

FRIDAY, MAY 25

Pray for those working to change unjust systems and for the victims caught in them.

SATURDAY, MAY 26

National Day of Healing and Reconciliation

Pray for the participants of "Crossing Cultures Together VIII" as they meet at Knox College in Toronto to share stories about the gifts and challenges of being multi- cultural communities and to build a more inclusive church.

Stewardship Moment

Do not give, as many rich men do, like a hen that lays her eggs ... and then cackles. *Henry Ward Beecher*

Mission Capsule: MISSION TRIP: Taiwan

Our gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* help connect people in Canada with long-term mission partners. In November 2011, 11 people from across Canada travelled to see first-hand the mission work of The Presbyterian Church in Taiwan (PCT). Journeying through Taiwan from north to south, the group visited theological colleges, hospitals, schools and churches of the PCT. Everywhere they went they heard stories of deep faith and experienced incredible hospitality and generosity. PCC leader Heather Chappell says, "It is good to find a place to call home on the other side of the world. Thanks be to God for this amazing and humbling experience." Let us pray for our partner church in Taiwan as it is a living example of God's grace.



Prayer List - Please write on the sheet provided the names of persons you wish included in the prayer of Intercession.

Presbyterian **Carpet Bowling Club** Monday, May 21, 28
at 7:00pm

Choir practice of the "summer choir" on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm. Please enter by the main front door of the church.

The **congregation** will be **invited** to St Andrews for their anniversary and communion service, June 24, 11:15 a.m. Lunch will follow, for which a freewill donation would be appreciated. No service at MRMP Church that day.

Vacation Bible School at MRMP Church is tentatively scheduled for July 9-13.

Service time during July and August is Sundays, 9:30 am

Peter and Nicole Steimer have been received as members of Margaret Rodger Memorial Presbyterian Church, by transfer of certificate of membership from St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. We welcome Peter and Nicole as members of the congregation.

The **Board of Managers** asks those persons who have keys for the church to put their name on the list of church key-carriers. This list is placed at the front door of the church.

Over the summer, offerings by church envelope from Lachute United Church, St. Simeon's Anglican Church and MRMP Church will be honoured by the three different churches no matter in which of the three churches the offerings are made.

Painting of (part of) the exterior of MRMP Church, Lachute, especially around windows, could be undertaken this summer, June 18-23, provided that there are persons willing to join the minister in this project.

The next communion service at MRMP Church, June 10

Non-perishable food items are being collected for our local food banks (Lachute, Brownsburg and Grenville) and for Citad'elle each month. The items are distributed through the Lachute Princess St. location. A collection bin for this purpose is located at the front entrance.

You are urged to support the **Breakfast/ Snowsuit/ Christmas Basket fund of Laurentian Elementary School**, which includes a Literacy Breakfast Programme for Kindergarten and Cycle 1 students. (An offering of money can be made in the can provided at the front entrance of the church; the money is collected each week.)

PWS&D Bulletin Bit PWS&D Loves Pennies

The Canadian penny may be phasing out of circulation, but Presbyterian World Service & Development happily accepts pennies for our programs around the world. Every bit counts and when pennies are collected from across the country, they can make a real difference in the lives of others. You can use the PWS&D Coin Box to collect change or hold a PWS&D penny fundraiser. Let's see how many pennies we can collect for PWS&D! To place an order, contact the Bookroom

Catechism for Today

Question 92: What is sanctification? Sanctification is God's work in us by which we grow in conformity to the image of Jesus Christ, and bring forth the fruits of the Spirit. The process of sanctification is never completed in this life. Rom 8:29-30 Gal 5:22 Phil 3:12-14 1 Cor 6:20 For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. The fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own ... I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.