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Trinity Sunday

Organ Prelude

Call to Worship (Luke 17:20-21):

Once Jesus was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God was coming, and he answered:

“The kingdom of God is not coming with things that can be observed; nor will they say,

‘Look, here it is!’ or ‘There it is!’

For, in fact, the kingdom of God is among you.”

Prayer of Approach

Hymn: “Stand up, and bless the Lord”#411

Children’s Message

Prayer of Confession

Lord God, our thoughts and words do not stand up before You; through them, we do not give You the glory, as we ought. We pre-judge what You would have us accomplish, assuming we know what positive thing You would have us achieve. We want time limits to the project You give us, rather than being expected to remain open to the full extent of what You wish from us. Forgive us our sins, we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn: “Immortal, invisible, God only wise”#290

The Word of God

Responsive Reading: Psalm 29.....Pew Bible Pg.504
Large Print Bible Pg.510

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 6:1-13.....Pg.635

Solo: “A Gaelic blessing” Sheila Holmes

Epistle Reading: Romans 8:12-17.....Pg.158

Gospel Reading: John 3:1-17.....Pg. 93

Hymn: “I’m gonna live so God can use me”#648

Sermon: **“Send me!”**

Our Response to God

Offering, Doxology and Offertory Prayer

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession and Lord’s Prayer

Hymn: “I, the Lord of sea and sky”#592

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: Bill & Clarice Muir

Next Week’s: Bob & Jean Cunningham

Today’s Reader: Davis MacVicar

Next Week’s: Linda Rodger

Coffee Hour: Everyone welcome

Prayer Partnership

SUNDAY, JUNE 3

Trinity Sunday/General Assembly Sunday

Pray for those gathered for the 138th General Assembly in Oshawa, ON, that they will discern the will of God for our denomination. Pray for resource people as they meet and speak with commissioners.

MONDAY, JUNE 4

Pray for The Rev. Dr. John Vissers, Moderator-elect of the 138th General Assembly, that he may guide the court in a spirit of hope, peace, joy and love.

TUESDAY, JUNE 5

Pray for the ecumenical visitors attending General Assembly. Pray that they will experience warm Christian hospitality as they share their lives and ministries with us.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6

Pray for the student representatives at General Assembly that they may learn and see God's work in our highest ruling court.

THURSDAY, JUNE 7

Pray for Temiskaming Regional Ministry in the Temiskaming Region as it explores the possibility of worshipping in an ecumenical shared ministry.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8

Pray for all the Presbyterian camp staff as they prepare for their summer programs. May camps be filled to capacity.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9

Pray for congregations that are considering applying for the Stewards by Design conference which is being planned for May, 2013.

Stewardship Moment

The stewardship spark is ignited when we know we hold a trust that was never entirely ours, and that this trust will be passed to others when we are finished. *Mark L. Vincent, Speaking About Money*

Mission Capsule:

CANADA: Strengthening families through play

The Stonegate neighbourhood in Etobicoke, Ontario is comprised of a number of low-rise apartment buildings. Over half of the children in this community come from low-income families. Our gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* help Stonegate Community Ecumenical Ministry reach out to build a stronger, kinder and more just community. Their popular initiative "Lasting Family Connections" strengthens and supports the development of healthy and lasting relationships between parents and their children. Play therapy workshops let families have fun, meet new people, and learn new ways of interacting – creating healthy bonds that will last throughout a lifetime! Let us pray for Stonegate Ministry as it works to strengthen families.



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

The **minister** will be **away** much of the following week at the General Assembly, held this year in Oshawa, ON. The Session meeting will be postponed until further notice.

The next **communion** service at MRMP Church, June 10

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

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

Vacation Bible School at MRMP Church is scheduled for July 9-13 and 16- 20, 9:00am to 11:30am. This year the Vacation Bible School will be in the form of a music and drama camp focusing on the preparation and presentation of two musicals. *Elijah! God's faithful prophet* and *Table for five...Thousand! The miracle of the loaves and fishes*. Participants and helpers welcome.

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

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.

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 **This Type of Farming is Best**

Betty Howa was initially resistant to flatten the ridges of her field, a traditional farming practice in Malawi. But when faced with poor rainfalls and the resulting food shortages, she decided to stop tilling her land and test new conservation farming techniques she learned through a PWS&D-supported agriculture program. Betty harvested 250 kg of corn and 150 kg of soya, while her neighbour's corn crop had failed. "I am planning to double the size of my field next growing season," says Betty proudly. "This type of farming is best."

Catechism for Today

Question 94: What do we believe regarding "the resurrection of the body"? Just as God raised up Jesus from the dead, so too shall we be raised. The resurrection of the body means that when he returns we shall be transformed to be like him. 1 Cor 15:20 Rom 6:5 1 Cor 15:51
But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. Listen, I will tell you a mystery! We will not all die, but we will all be changed, in a moment in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. Mt 28:1-10; Mk 16:1-8; Lk 24:1-12; Jn 20:1-10; 1 Cor 15:4-58; Jn 11:25; Col 1:18; Rom 6:4,9, 8:11, 10:9; 2 Cor 4:14; Gal 1:1; 1 Thess 1:10.