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*Lachute, Quebec*

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October 2, 2011, 2011

16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Organ Prelude

Call to Worship (Isaiah 28:16-17b):  
... Thus says the Lord GOD,  
See, I am laying in Zion a foundation stone,  
a tested stone,  
a precious cornerstone, a sure foundation:  
**“One who trusts will not panic.”**  
And I will make justice the line,  
**and righteousness the plummet...**

Prayer of Approach

Hymn: “In Christ there is no east or west” .....#480

Children’s Time and Prayer

**Prayer of Confession**

**God, we have acted, at times, as though You have no claim upon us for good. We have countered Your goodness by harshness to others who represent Your presence in the world. As human beings, we have not heeded Your love even in its fullest and complete form, in the person of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Forgive us our sins, we pray, through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn: “Word of God across the ages” .....#497

**The Word of God**

Responsive Reading: Psalm 19.....Pew Bible Pg.498  
Large Print Bible Pg.504

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20.....Pg. 66

Anthem: “Lift up your hearts”

Epistle Reading: Philippians 3:4b-14.....Pg.198

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:33-46.....Pg. 24

Sermon Title: **“What more should God do?”**

**Our Response to God**

Offering, Doxology and Offertory Prayer

**Service of Holy Communion**

Hymn: “The Church’s one foundation” .....#479

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Apostles’ Creed.....#539

The Scriptural Warrant

*The Great Prayer of*

*Thanksgiving*.....#564

Act of Communion

The Peace

Post-Communion Prayer

Hymn: “Make me a channel of your peace” .....#740

Charge and Benediction

Choral Amen  
Organ Postlude

## *Prayer Partnership*

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2**

*World Communion Sunday*

Pray for our partner churches in countries around the world. May we be faithful partners, reflecting the mutual nature of mission.

### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 3**

Pray for the Moderator of the 137th General Assembly, the Rev. Dr. Rick Horst, who will be on an international trip to Palestine and Israel this month.

### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4**

Pray for all our military personnel who have been injured during combat and are in treatment programs for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and depression.

### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5**

As more people are learning about and are beginning to combat the global demand for human trafficking, pray that there will be help and hope for the victims.

### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6**

Pray for The Rev. Doo Je Kim and Cloverdale Korean Presbyterian Church in Surrey, B.C., that their ministry will engage people with the love of Christ.

### **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7**

Pray for synod executives as they plan for meetings this month. May their ministries flourish.

### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8**

Pray for the national stewardship office as it works to equip congregations to design stewardship programs tailored to their local situations.

## **Announcement**

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

**Today's Greeter: Shirley MacDonald**

*Next Week's: Gwen MacAdam & Marjorie Walker*

**Today's Reader: Marjorie Crooks**

*Next Week's: Davis MacVicar*

Coffee Hour: Everyone is welcome to join us.

## *Stewardship Moment*

We are *all* stewards,

Guides, leading the way.

We are the light-bearers

Brightening the path of today.

*Dave Brandon, Dare to be Stewards*

## *Mission Capsule: NICARAGUA: Helping feed the hungry*

Our gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* support Denise Van Wissen, a nutritionist who, after three years of working in Guatemala, has returned to Nicaragua to serve as a technical advisor at *Soynica*. Soynica promotes the right to food security and helps families break the vicious cycle of poverty. Denise works in Managua with another Soynica nutritionist on the nutritional aspects of various projects. Among many other things, Denise updates the content of Soynica's educational workshops, keeps Soynica staff up -to-date on current nutrition topics and reviews and analyzes periodic reports. Let us pray for Denise as she works to make a difference in the lives of families in Nicaragua.



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

**Choir practice** Tuesday, October 4, 11, 25 at 6:15-7:15 pm

**Bible Study** Tuesday October 4, 11, 25 at 7:15-8:15 pm continuing with the study of Acts 8-12. (Study on Isaiah to be for a later date.)

Presbyterian **Carpet Bowling Club** will have a fun night, Oct. 3, at 7:15 pm. Regular games will begin Oct. 17, at 7:15 p.m. New members will be welcome.

**Session meeting** Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

**Ladies Aid meeting** Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm

**50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary** for Henry and Merna Unrau, Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-4:00pm at Camp des Iles.

**Board of Managers** meeting Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

Trevor Holmes is selling tickets for the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Brownsburg Legion, held on Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are limited, cost only \$10 for a Roast Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings, and includes soup, salad, dessert, coffee and tea. Come help us celebrate.

**After-school Music and Drama Group** for Grades 4-6:

Wednesdays 3:10-5:00 pm, featuring the preparation and presentation of the musical, *Chimes in the Night* and other items for Christmas, and the musical, *The Rock-Slinger and his Greatest Hit*, or the January-May period. Leadership provided by Vera Young, Trevor Holmes and Doug Robinson. Persons interested in providing and serving a snack from 3:13-3:45pm would be appreciated.

**Non-perishable food** items are now being collected for the local food banks, located in the old presbytere of St-Julien on Princess Street, in Lachute, and at Ste-Trinite Church in Brownsburg. The September offering of non-perishable food items will go to the Lachute food Bank. (A bin for such items is located at the front entrance of the church.)

At the same time, 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.)

## *Catechism for Today*

Question 61: How should we regard the gift of speaking with tongues and of healing? Scripture regards them as gifts of the Spirit and gives instruction for their exercise. The Apostle Paul counselled that their public use be orderly. What is important is that these gifts witness to Jesus Christ, build up the Christian community, and be motivated by and received with love and understanding. 1 Cor 7:7 1 Pet 4:10, 1 Cor 12:8-10, 1 Cor 14:39-40, 1 Thess 5:19

To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. So my friends, be eager to prophesy, and do not forbid speaking in tongues; but all things should be done decently and in order. Do not quench the Spirit. Mk 9:29, 16:17; Acts 2:4, 10:46, 19:6; 1 Cor 12-14; Jas 5:14-16.

## *PWS&D Bulletin Bit*

### **Government of Canada Calls for Iraqi Refugee Sponsors**

Since the Iraq conflict began in 2003, more than 6.5 million Iraqis have been uprooted from their homes. Outside of their homeland, they lack legal status, have limited access to employment and education, and face uncertainty and threats of violence. The Canadian government is offering resettlement to Canada for some of these refugees, and your congregation can help! Some refugees already have family members living in Canada and wish to join them. To learn more, contact Carolyn Vanderlip, PWS&D's Refugee Program Coordinator (1-800-619-7301 ext. 249 or [cvanderlip@presbyterian.ca](mailto:cvanderlip@presbyterian.ca)).