

Margaret Rodger Memorial Presbyterian Church

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November 20, 2011 Christ the King

Organ Prelude

Call to Worship (Psalm 95:6-7a):

O come, let us worship and bow down,

let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture,

and the sheep of his hand.

Prayer of Approach

Hymn: "King of Kings" #266

Children's Time and Prayer

Prayer of Confession

We confess, O God, our reluctance to make the judgements required of us. When we do judge, it has too often been simply to condemn. We confess that our own lives have not corresponded to the One who is our Judge and Saviour, Jesus Christ our Lord, who expresses both Your severity and mercy, O God. We have ignored You, the Holy One in our midst, and the loving kindness and faithfulness our lives are to embody in communion with You. Forgive us our sins, we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn: "Rejoice, the Lord is King" #267

The Word of God

Responsive Reading: Psalm 100 Pew Bible pg.55:
Large Print Bible Pg.56:

Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24.Pg.80:

Solo: "How lovely are thy dwellings" Sheila Holme.

Epistle Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23Pg.19:

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:31-46.Pg. 2:

Hymn: "Jesus, our mighty Lord" #27:

Sermon Title: **"The One Ordained by God
as Judge of the Living and the Dead"**

Our Response to God

Offering, Doxology, Offertory Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Intercession and Lord's Prayer

Hymn: "Crown him with many crowns"#27:

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: Bob & Marion Duncan

Next Week's: Davis & Carol MacVicar

Today's Reader: Bob Cunningham

Next Week's: Brent Ball

Coffee Hour: Everyone is welcome to join us.

Prayer Partnership

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Reign of Christ Sunday

Pray that our lives will reflect the reign of Christ on a daily basis.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Pray that God will bless and guide the Assembly Council's deliberations as it meets at Crieff Hills Community.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

On this National Housing Day, pray that our governments will work hard to ensure safe and affordable housing for all Canadians.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Pray for our serving soldiers, sailors and air personnel who have seen combat and watched friends and comrades be injured and die. May they find the peace that passes all understanding.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Pray for safe travel for regional staff as they conclude their annual gathering and travel to Toronto to meet with staff in the national office before heading home.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

On this International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, pray for peace and security for all people, especially women and children.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Pray for new church plantings such as Almanarah church in Hamilton and the Nigerian Mission in Toronto, that they will become active and vital congregations.

Stewardship Moment

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6:21 NRSV

Mission Capsule:

CANADA: Meeting students' needs

Presbyterians Sharing supports the University of New Brunswick's Campus Ministry in Fredericton. UNB's protestant chaplain, The Rev. Kevin Bourque, writes: "In addition to our regular presence on campus through participation in official university ceremonies, student groups, clubs and activities, our most successful venture has been in reaching out to meet the *physical* needs of our students." To help reduce the high stress levels that students feel during exams, the chaplaincy holds a regular exam-time "stress-buster social", offering free food and a space to step away from the busyness and stresses of studying. These events are positive experiences for both the students and the chaplains. Let us pray for UNB's campus ministry and the other university chaplaincies supported by *Presbyterians Sharing*.



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

Presbyterian Carpet Bowling Club November 21, 28 at 7:15 pm

Choir practice Tuesday, Nov. 22, 29 at 6:15-7:15 pm the choir will begin practicing Christmas music.

Bible Study on Acts 13-26 Tuesday evenings will resume in January.

Prelude to Christmas concert, Sunday December 4th at 7:30 pm in the United Church. **Rehearsals** are from 2:30-4:30 Sundays.

The **Music and Drama Group** is planning their Christmas production for Friday, December 16 at 7:00pm at MRMP.

Annual Christmas Bazaar will be on Saturday November 26th from 1:30pm to 3:30pm. Tea tickets are \$7.00. Tables of books, Candy, Handicrafts, Home Baking, Treasures of all kinds. Table would be grateful for any donations. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. There will be someone at the church to accept your goodies from 2PM to 5PM and 6PM to 8PM on Friday, November 25 and after 9AM on Saturday. If you would like to volunteer, please contact a member of the Ladies Aid. Donations for any or all of these tables would be appreciated. This is our fundraiser for the year to help in the support of our church.

The managers are encouraging everyone to make a special donation to cover the cost of the air conditioner in the church hall. You may use your “**special offering envelopes**”. This is to help to defray the cost which also includes the programmable thermostat, which now also governs the furnace for the hall. The total cost is approximately \$7,000, but is paid in monthly installments (without interest charges).

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.)

Donations to the **Stocking Fund** would be appreciated, as this is a way to help the Church cover the insurance. Place in an envelope marked Stocking Fund and put on the collection plate.

Catechism for Today

Question 68: Why does the Apostles’ Creed emphasize belief “in the holy catholic church”?

It does so to emphasize that the church is essential to Christian belief and practice. The church is holy in that it is set apart by God to be a chosen people in the world. The church is catholic in that it is universal, including all people of all time who affirm the Christian faith. To belong to a congregation is to belong to the holy catholic church. 1 Tim 3:15 Eph 4:4-5, 1 Pet 1:15-16. The household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and bulwark of the truth. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all. As he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct for it is written, “You shall be holy for I am holy.” Eph 1:32; 1 Cor 3:17, 12:12-31; 1 Pet 2:4-10; Ex 19:6; Lev. 11:44; 1 Cor 1:2; Rom 1:7; Eph 1:1; Phil 1:1.

PWS&D Bulletin Bit

PWS&D Christmas Cards Now Available!

Carry a message of peace to your friends and family this year with PWS&D’s beautiful new Christmas card. Proceeds from the card support PWS&D’s development and relief work around the world. Purchase individual cards for \$2.50, or buy a pack of 15 for \$20, plus tax. To place an order, please contact The Book Room (1-800-619-7301, bookroom@presbyterian.ca).

