*St. Paul’s Presbyterian Church*

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Interim Moderator: Rev. Robert Lyle

Clerk of Session: Jan Alchorn

Music Director: Linda Giddens

Leading Worship Today Rev. Susan Mattinson

June 30, 2024 9:30 am , 6th Sunday after Pentecost

*THE ORDER OF WORSHIP*

*OUR APPROACH TO GOD*

Prelude and Greeting

Responsive Call to Worship:

Leader: Our God is a healing God; love never-ending.

All: Our God is a friend of the broken; compassion making us whole.

Leader: Hope in the Lord!

All: For with God there is steadfast love.

Leader: Our God dries our tears and lifts us to our feet.

All: With faith, trust, and hope, let us worship our God!

Worship in Music: “Praise, my soul, the King of Heaven” #250 BoP

Prayer of Approach:

Great and gracious God, your glory speaks in the beauty of creation, your majesty stretches to the depths of space. You are the well-spring of hope and the fountain of healing mercy. We marvel at your love that overflows in our lives and into the world you have made. We worship you in gratitude, offering you our trust because you have come to us in Christ Jesus. Receive our love and loyalty, offered to you each day as the Spirit prays within us.

Prayer of Confession and Forgiveness:

Great and merciful God, we confess we sometimes lose trust in you. When we feel desperate, we wonder where you are. In the face of tragedy or disaster, we ask how you could let such things happen. We forget to reach out to you. We forget that healing is in your hands. Forgive us, O God, when we give up on your love. Reassure us that your love in Christ Jesus will never let us go. For it is in His name, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Jesus said, “Come to me all you who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.” Trust that peace and forgiveness are God’s gifts to you this day. Be renewed by the power of the Holy Spirit that moves with you into each new day. Amen.

Worship in Music: “O God, our help in ages past” #166 SoG

GOD’S WORD FOR HIS PEOPLE

First Reading: Lamentations 3:22-33 Pg.584

Responsive Reading: Psalm 30

1I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up and did not let my foes rejoice over me.  
2O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.  
3O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=psalm+30&version=NRSVUE#fen-NRSVUE-14323a)]

4Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.  
5For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime.  
Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

6As for me, I said in my prosperity, “I shall never be moved.”  
7By your favor, O Lord, you had established me as a strong mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed.

8To you, O Lord, I cried, and to the Lord I made supplication:  
9“What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit?  
Will the dust praise you?  Will it tell of your faithfulness?  
10Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!”[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=psalm+30&version=NRSVUE#fen-NRSVUE-14330b)]

11You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,  
12so that my soul[[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=psalm+30&version=NRSVUE#fen-NRSVUE-14332c)] may praise you and not be silent.  
    O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

Third Reading: Mark 5:21-43 Pg.710

Fourth Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Pg.820

Worship in Music: “Where cross the crowded ways of life” #496 BoP

Prayer for Understanding:

God of all generations, send us your Holy Spirit as we reflect on the Scriptures, read and interpreted. Open our minds to your wisdom, open our eyes to see how to serve you, and open our hearts to share in your healing love. Amen.

Sermon – “Beyond Cured”

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Offering and Offertory

The Doxology and Offertory Prayer

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Prayers of God’s People and The Lord’s Prayer

Worship in Music: “Jesus, Thou joy of loving hearts” #231 BoP

Benediction and Choral Amen

Announcements:

Open House in honour of Denise & Gordon MacKinnon's 50th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday 7 July/24  2 - 4 p.m. @ the Truro Fire Hall

Best Wishes only

Upcoming Services

July 7 Bob Lyle (Baptism)

July 14 Brad Little

July 21 Bob Lyle

July 28 Susan Mattinson

Mission Moment: Sunday, June 30

After participating in the New Beginnings program that guides congregations through a renewal process to discern God’s call for their future, St. James (North Yarmouth, ON) began a ministry to help address the social isolation of seniors and older adults, both within the congregation and the surrounding community. St. James adapted its service to become an interactive, conference-call worship model that allows people at home or in care facilities to participate more fully through prayer, reading scripture or singing. Community programming for seniors is also centred around encouraging greater social inclusion, through delivering hot meals and care packages, a weekly home visit program with the minister and elders, and even chartering a bus to sing carols and bring Christmas cheer to doorsteps during Advent. St. James receives support from Presbyterians Sharing.