

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**Harvey, N.B.****“Reaching up to God, to reach out to the World”**

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2nd Sunday in Lent

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

** Please stand as you are able*

Prelude

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Welcome and Announcements

***Introit:**

Gather us, O God, body, spirit, soul and mind.
Gather us, O God, one in union now with you.

***Call to Worship:**

Please see Lenten insert

Hymn

Prayer of Approach

Prayer of Confession

Despite the joy that is ours as we worship and follow you, we confess that there are times when we find the way of faith hard. You created us for goodness but there are times when we would settle for less. There are times when the false teachers who suggest an easier life are more attractive than you are to us. There are times we would substitute self-interest for loving others.

There are times when we chose anger rather than grace. These are times when we do harm to those we love and ignore the needs of the wider society. Forgive us for being so fickle in our commitment to you. When our footsteps waver may your grasp of our hand be strong. In dark times feed the embers of our faithfulness with the flames of your love. May your kingdom's power strengthen our determination and give us energy to follow your lead. Strengthen our wills so we may embrace the lifestyle you call us to.

(silent prayer). **Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Family Hymn

Time with the Y-POG

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination: Open our eyes, Lord
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,
To reach out and touch him, and say that we
love him
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

Hebrew Scripture

***Responsive Psalm**

***Gloria Patri:**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Epistle

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

The Gospel

The Gospel of our risen Lord
Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

Sermon

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

Anthem

The Offering

***Doxology:**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn

***Charge and Benediction**

***Choral Amen**

***Song of Dismissal**

**As we go now from this moment,
As we leave behind our time together.
May we walk with one another,
May we help each other on the way.**

**As we go now from this moment,
As we go into the future together.
May we treasure one another,
May we realize how precious we are.**

Postlude

WELCOME We are pleased that you have joined us for
worship today. If you are worshipping with us for the
first time today, a special welcome is extended to you.

Everyone is invited to a time of coffee and fellowship immediately following the worship service.

SPECIAL WELCOME and thanks to Major Charles Deogratias for leading us in worship and bringing us the message this morning.

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS are with all who are sick, in hospital or at home; as well as those awaiting diagnosis and/or treatment. And we hold close all those who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

VACATION Rev. Anne is away this week on vacation. She will return to the pulpit next Sunday. In a pastoral emergency, please contact the Clerk of Session, Nancy Patterson, at 366-2980.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER is being held this year at the Gospel Lighthouse on **March 6th at 7:00 pm**. Storm date will be March 8th at 2:00 p.m. All are welcome.

MID-WEEK SERVICES will be held at **7pm**, here in the sanctuary throughout Lent, on **Wednesday evenings**.

BIBLE STUDY entitled “We Were There” provides a fresh dramatic presentation of the events of Holy Week and bring us face to face with the struggles, hopes, and fears of those who were there. The study runs **Wednesdays at 10:30am** at St. Andrew’s United. The same program is offered **Thursday evenings, 7-8:30**, here at Knox. This week’s lesson, which focuses on Pilate and Procula is entitled: “Jesus Calls Us to Choose” and is based on Matthew 27:19, Matthew 10:21, John 19:1-7 and 12-16. Each of these videos will stand as an independent study, and as such you are invited to join with us, as you are able.

THESE DAYS There are a still a couple of additional copies of this daily devotional available.

FACEBOOK Knox Presbyterian Church – Harvey has its own Facebook page! Take a look, “like” us, follow up to stay informed, and be sure to “share” with all your friends and family.

