

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Harvey, N.B.

“Reaching up to God, to reach out to the World”

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May 3rd, 2015
5th Sunday of Easter

WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

** Please stand as you are able*

Prelude**Lighting of the Christ Candle****Welcome and Announcements*****Introit:**

He is Lord, he is Lord;
he is risen from the dead and he is Lord!
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord.

***Call to Worship:**

Leader: Rejoice, O people of God, for the Lord is
 with us in this holy place!

People: **Our lives belong to the risen Lord,**
committed by faith in our baptism.

Leader: Let us always remember our baptism by
 being ever true to our commitment.

People: **And let the light of Christ shine through**
our lives for all to see.

Leader: Rejoice then, O people of God, and sing
 praises before our risen Christ!

***Hymn** Lord, the light of your love is shining 376

Prayer of Approach (including the Lord's Prayer)

Prayer of Confession

Merciful Lord, you teach us that perfect love casts out fear, but we are often afraid; you command us to love our sisters and brothers, but we are often alienated from one another; you invite us to abide in you as you abide in us, but we often don't know how or where to begin. Show us once more that abiding in your love is as easy and natural as a branch abiding in the vine. Prune our imperfections, that we may grow a heart so strong that all our fears will be cast out, leaving us ready and able to abide in your great love. (silent prayer) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Family Hymn Come, children, join to sing 377

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.**

First Reading Acts 8:26–40 (p. 1329)

***Responsive Psalm** Psalm 22: 25-31 (bulletin p. 6)

***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 1 John 4:7–21 (p. 1497)

**The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God**

The Gospel

John 15:1–8

(p. 1305)

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** God bless your church with strength 491***Charge and Benediction*****Choral Amen*****Song of Dismissal****May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and
peace.****May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and
race.****Praying, let us work for peace,
singing, share our joy with all.****working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.****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.

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.



Presbyterian World Service & Development

On Saturday, April 25, a 7.8 magnitude earthquake hit Nepal. The destruction is far-reaching. Current reports place the death toll at over 6000, with many more injured. These numbers are only expected to rise. From the city of Kathmandu to the slopes of Mount Everest, the immense devastation has left thousands of people without secure shelter or access to food, water and sanitation services. PWS&D is responding through the ACT Alliance to meet these basic needs.

PWS&D is urging Canadians to take action and respond to the earthquake in Nepal. For all eligible donations made until May 25, the Government of Canada will contribute a matching amount for Canada's "Nepal Earthquake Relief Fund."

Your donations and prayers will help bring relief to those who are suffering.

Make a donation through the church, mail a cheque (50 Wynford Drive, Toronto, Ontario M3C 1J7), donate online (pwsd@presbyterian.ca or WeRespond.ca) or call 1-800-619-7301 x291.

Please mark all donations "Nepal Earthquake."

MERRY MONTH OF MAY... (mark your calendars)



May 10th Mother's Day/Christian Family Sunday
Celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism

Join us following the service for cake and coffee

May 17th Ascension Sunday
Pulpit supply provided by Rev. Basil Lowery
(Rev. Anne away on vacation)

May 24th Pentecost
Celebration of the Sacrament of Communion

HOT OFF THE PRESS!!! Our new directories have arrived! If you had your photo taken by Universal, please see Nancy Patterson to receive your copy. If you did not participate in the photos, but would like to have a copy of the directory, we have a few copies available for a nominal fee.



CHOIR Our Knox choir rehearses **Tuesday evenings at 7pm** here at the church. New members are always welcome!

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.



ACTON We will soon resume services at the church on Hanwell Rd. for the summer season. Before worship can begin, there are clean up and maintenance concerns at the nearly 150 year old building. If anyone in the congregation would like to be of assistance in these matters, please speak to Rev. Anne and she will ensure you are invited for the annual event.

ST. ANDREWS PLAYERS will present their 11th comedy/drama, "AUNT FREDDY", May 7th, 8th, and 9th at 7:30pm at St. Andrews United Church CE Center. Join us for lots of laughs followed by delicious desserts. For tickets at \$12.00 call Marilyn Henry at 366-3599.

Psalm 22: 25–31

One: When your people meet, you will fill my heart with your praises, Lord, and everyone will see me keep my promises to you.

All: The poor will eat and be full, and all who worship you will be thankful and live in hope.

One: Everyone on this earth will remember you, Lord. People all over the world will turn and worship you,

All: because you are in control, the ruler of all nations.

One: All who are rich and have more than enough will bow down to you, Lord. Even those who are dying and almost in the grave will come and bow down.

All: In the future, everyone will worship and learn about you, our Lord.

One: People not yet born will be told, "The Lord has

The minister may be contacted by phone at the church, in her home (study), or by cell, or at any time by text or email. She would be pleased to receive inquiries regarding church activities, the Christian faith, or to offer support for challenges in Christian living. Appointments can be made to meet at the church or in your home at a convenient time.

saved us!"