

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

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**February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015****5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany****WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD***\* Please stand as you are able***Prelude****Lighting of the Christ Candle****Welcome and Announcements****\*Introit:**

Make me a servant, humble and meek.  
 Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.  
 And may the prayer of my heart always be:  
 Make me a servant, make me a servant,  
 Make me a servant today.

**\*Call to Worship:**

Leader: Having been called, we gather.

**People: Having heard God's voice, we come to hear.**

Leader: Having glimpsed the Mystery, we seek to understand.

**People: Having experienced grace, we trust.**

Leader: In response, we come to worship our Maker and our Redeemer.

**\*Hymn** Immortal, invisible, God only wise 290

**Prayer of Approach** (including Lord's Prayer)**Prayer of Confession**

God of all wisdom; at times we have forgotten what we knew, and we act as if we had never heard your words; we worry as if we had never known your truth or experienced your grace. You love us and made us for a purpose but we lead lives as if there were no purpose. We settle for less than we could be and for less than you call us to become. At times, discouragement seeps into our hearts, and your church, and then we do not serve you with vitality and we do not resist evil or speak out against injustice. Forgive our sins. Remind us of what we once knew and felt. Let us walk by your light and not grow weary. May we run and not faint. (silent prayer). Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Family Hymn:** Praise our Maker, peoples of one  
family 700

**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:** Isaiah 40:21-31 (p. 852)

**\*Responsive Psalm:** Psalm 147: 1-11, 20c  
(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.**

**New Testament:** 1 Corinthians 9:16-23 (p. 1392)  
The Word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

**The Gospel:** Mark 1: 29-39 (p. 1192)  
The Gospel of our risen Lord  
**Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ**

**Sermon**

**Anthem**

**WE RESPOND TO THE WORD**

**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** How sweet the name of Jesus sounds 357  
(vs 1-2, 5-6)

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Choral Amen**

**\*Song of Dismissal**

**Go now in peace, never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith; steadfast, strong, and true.  
Know he will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe.**

**Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.**

### **Postlude**

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**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.

*Mark your calendars...*

**PANCAKE SUPPER** Knox's annual Shrove Tuesday pancake supper will be held on **February 17<sup>th</sup>** in the church basement. Would you like to help out? Please see Lynn Craig.



**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** The annual meeting of the congregation of Knox Presbyterian will be held **today** following the service. Please plan to stay and attend. Copies of the reports being presented are available in the entry.

**KNOX GUILD** will meet this Wednesday, **February 11<sup>th</sup>**, at 7pm in the church basement. Members are reminded to bring along an item to "Show-and-Tell". New members always welcome!

**MID-WEEK SERVICES** will be held here in the sanctuary throughout Lent, on Wednesday evenings at 7pm, beginning **Ash Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>**.

**FOOD SERVICE HANDLING** There will be a Food Services Handling Information Session held here at

Knox on **Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.** (with a snow date tbd). Anyone interested please advise Marilyn Wood at 366-5551.



**INCLEMENT WEATHER** Please be advised that in a situation where weather may require the cancellation of services, a decision will be made as early as possible. The congregation is reminded that each individual is in the best position to determine for themselves whether or not they wish to venture out. It is the discretion of the individual teams regarding lunch. Should questionable weather be forecasted, any given team can decide the day before that they are *not* preparing a lunch. Should the weather turn out to be better than anticipated, and the service goes ahead, we will simply depart immediately following.

**BIBLE STUDY** will begin **Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am** at St. Andrew's United. The same program will be offered **Thursday evenings (7-8:30pm)** here at Knox, beginning **February 19<sup>th</sup>**. The topic will be available later this week.

**THESE DAYS** There are a small number of additional copies of this daily devotional available.

**PRESBYTERIANS SHARING**

For the 2014 year Knox was **only able to collect 78%** of our allocated \$8,200. This shortfall is made up from the congregation's current account. The congregation is reminded there is a space available on your envelopes, or PAR form, to allocate a certain amount of your offering to this important ministry of our national church. These monies are earmarked for various ministry projects funded by the Presbyterian Church in Canada, both abroad as well as right here in Canada.



**Psalm 147: 1-11, 20c**

One: Shout praises to the Lord! Our God is kind, and it is right and good to sing praises to him.

**All: The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem and brings the people of Israel back home again.**

One: He renews our hopes and heals our bodies.

**All: He decided how many stars there would be in the sky and gave each one a name.**

One: Our Lord is great and powerful! He understands everything.

**All: The Lord helps the poor, but he smears the wicked in the dirt.**

One: Celebrate and sing! Play your harps for the Lord our God.

**All: He fills the sky with clouds and sends rain to the earth, so that the hills will be green with grass.**

One: He provides food for cattle and for the young ravens, when they cry out.

**All: The Lord doesn't care about the strength of horses or powerful armies.**

One: The Lord is pleased only with those who worship him and trust his love.

**All: Shout praises to the Lord!**

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.