

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Harvey, N.B.

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

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3rd 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 We praise you, O God 425

Prayer of Approach (including the Lord’s Prayer)

Prayer of Confession

Holy One, we profess to live according to your word and your commandments, yet we fill our lives in ways that prevent us from doing so. Instead of making a temple of our hearts, where we would have you dwell, we have created a place of sickness, disease, and wishes that lead to emptiness. Our hearts have become impure and false— a place where we have stolen,

coveted, lied, and given our worship to false idols. Cleanse and reclaim our hearts, Lord, as you cleansed the Temple in Jerusalem. Overturn the tables in our spirit, and sweep aside all that keeps us from you. Show us your steadfast love and forgiveness, as we seek to follow you once more. (silent prayer). Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Family Hymn The church is wherever God's people
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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 Exodus 20:1-17 (p. 87)

***Responsive Psalm** Psalm 19 (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 Corinthians 1:18-25 (p. 1385)
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

The Gospel John 2:13-22 (p. 1281)
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 Lord of all power 626

*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



The bulletin this morning is dedicated
to the glory of God and given in
remembrance of **Timmy McCullough**
(March 13, 1965 – July 27, 1983) by his
family.

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.

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

GUILD will meet this **Wednesday, March 11th**, immediately following the worship service.

SESSION meets next Wednesday, **March 18th**, following the evening worship.

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 Judas (and the Old Man) is entitled: “Jesus: Rabbi or Messiah?” and is based on Matthew 27:19, Matthew 26: 14-16, 20-25, 48-50; Matthew 27: 3-10 and John 12:1-8. 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.





PRESBYTERIANS SHARING

For the 2014 year Knox was only able to collect 78% of our allocation. This year we have committed to \$8200. 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.

Presbyterians Sharing mission moment:

Connecting through music: Gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* help share the gospel with Korean immigrants in North York, Ontario. Sohrae Church, which was started with support from *Presbyterians Sharing*, is well known to the community for its work with the Sohrae Youth Orchestra. The orchestra, which began as an ensemble that played during Sunday worship, soon grew into an independent non-profit organization. It develops and realizes the musical talent of Korean youth, and allows them to serve the local community with a Christian spirit. A recent concert raised \$4,000 for three charities. Sohrae's music classes also reach out to and build connections with the community. The majority of students come from outside of the Sohrae congregation, and some of the students' families have started to attend Sunday services.

Presbyterians Sharing builds community

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.

Psalm 19

One: The heavens keep telling the wonders of God,
and the skies declare what he has done.

**All: Each day informs the following day; each
night announces to the next.**

One: They don't speak a word, and there is never the
sound of a voice.

**All: Yet their message reaches all the earth, and it
travels around the world. In the heavens a
tent is set up for the sun.**

One: It rises like a bridegroom and gets ready like a
hero eager to run a race.

**All: It travels all the way across the sky. Nothing
hides from its heat.**

One: The Law of the Lord is perfect; it gives us new
life. His teachings last forever, and they give
wisdom to ordinary people.

**All: The Lord's instruction is right; it makes our
hearts glad. His commands shine brightly,
and they give us light.**

One: Worshiping the Lord is sacred; he will always be
worshiped. All of his decisions are correct and
fair.

**All: They are worth more than the finest gold and
are sweeter than honey from a honeycomb.**

One: By your teachings, Lord, I am warned; by obeying
them, I am greatly rewarded.

**All: None of us know our faults. Forgive me when
I sin without knowing it.**

One: Don't let me do wrong on purpose, Lord, or let sin
have control over my life. Then I will be innocent,
and not guilty of some terrible fault.

**All: Let my words and my thoughts be pleasing to
you, Lord, because you are my mighty rock
and my protector.**