

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

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April 12th, 2015**2nd Sunday of Easter/Bright Sunday****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: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Leader: Worship joyfully for Easter continues.

**People: Resurrection peace and presence are to
 be trusted.**

Leader: Love is the strongest power.

People: Evil has been overpowered.

Leader: Let us rejoice and be glad.

Hymn Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord
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Prayer of Approach (including the Lord's Prayer)

Prayer of Confession

Risen Christ, even as we delight in Easter's message we confess that we do not always live as we wish. There are times when the impact of Easter escapes us and we behave as those who have no faith. Trust becomes shaky and we become anxious and worried about many things. We talk about love but live in fear. Sometimes we seek a solitary, personal faith forgetting that you seek to build a community of believers. Forgive us when we forget we are the Easter people. Send us many signs that you love us. Remind us over and over that you are near. Lead us gently from self-interest to enthusiasm for your kingdom so we may build communities that witness to your loving power (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 4: 32-35 (p. 1323)

***Responsive Psalm** Psalm 133 (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 1:1 – 2:2 (p. 1493)
The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

The Gospel John 20: 19-31 (p. 1314)
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** Joyful, joyful we adore you 410

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.

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.

SESSION MEETING The regular meeting of the Kirk Session of Knox Presbyterian will be held this Wednesday, April 15th, 2015.



KNOX CENTENNIAL GUILD ANNUAL RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE AND BREAKFAST

Save the date: **April 25th, 2015**

In the meantime... as you're doing your spring cleaning keep the guild in mind. We're seeking previously loved housewares, clothing, and all things potentially sell-able. These items may be left in the Youth Hall entryway after the 19th or, for home pick-up, please contact Judy McNally at 366-5317.

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.



QUARTERLY FINANCIALS Please note, the church's 1st quarter financial statement is included in this

morning's bulletin. If you have any questions, please speak to any member of the board.



PRESBYTERIANS SHARING

Please keep up your donations to this important part of our ministry. Due to your increased attention to this ministry we have so far received 21% of our agreed allotment.

Presbyterians Sharing mission moment:

Being present with people

The Reverends John Wyminga and Shannon Bell-Wyminga find that it is often in the unplanned, informal times that God works most effectively in Cariboo Ministry's Nazko and Area Dakelh Outreach. At a recent anniversary celebration, John and Shannon experienced many opportunities to share and pray with people, who shared stories of grief, spiritual concerns and thankfulness. Shannon shares, "No church building in sight, no formal worship or organized programs. We were just present with people. Our presence is a reminder that there is a Creator out there who cares for them and wants a relationship with them." Gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* support this ministry in British Columbia's remote Cariboo region.

Presbyterians Sharing reaches out to rural and remote regions

THE HEALING POWER OF FORGIVENESS – April 21 & 28 – A two-session video / discussion seminar on forgiveness will be held at Grace Memorial Baptist Church on Tuesdays April 21 & 28 from 7:00-9:00 pm. Explore questions "Why is forgiveness so difficult at times? Must we forgive when it's the other person's fault? How should we handle repeat offenses?" Author Dr. Ray Pritchard answers these questions and more. Register at 458-8527.

Psalm 133

One: It is truly wonderful when relatives live together in peace.

All: It is as beautiful as olive oil poured on Aaron's head and running down his beard and the collar of his robe.

One: It is like the dew from Mount Hermon, falling on Zion's mountains, where the Lord has promised to bless his people with life forevermore.

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.



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