

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

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April 19th, 2015
3rd 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: Worship joyfully, for Easter continues.

People: **Evil has been overpowered.**

Leader: Doubt becomes a pathway to faith.

People: **The light always defeats the darkness.**

Leader: Walking along the road, fishing, eating a meal; in the ordinary, everyday things, the disciples met the risen Christ.

People: **Jesus is present in our everyday too.**

Leader: Let us rejoice and be glad in our Lord and our God who is at hand.

***Hymn** This is my Father's world 328

Prayer of Approach (including the Lord's Prayer)

Prayer of Confession

God of grace, we have turned away from you in so many ways. Forgive us when we forget you; when we fail to recognize your works in this world; when we allow doubt to overcome our belief; when we allow fear to replace our trust and faith. Help us remember that we are yours, your beloved. As we turn to you, to receive your grace and mercy, bless us once more that we may live lives of faithfulness. (silent prayer) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Family Hymn Friends of the Lord 476

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 3: 12-19 (p. 1321)

***Responsive Psalm** Psalm 4 (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 3:1-7 (p. 1495)

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

The Gospel Luke 24: 36-48 (p. 1276)
 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** And can it be that I should gain 352

***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.

KNOX CENTENNIAL GUILD



**ANNUAL RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE
AND BREAKFAST**

This SATURDAY April 25th, 2015

BREAKFAST

8 – 10AM (church basement)

(pancakes, eggs, sausage, toast, tea/coffee, fruit cup)
Free-will offering

RUMMAGE & BAKE SALE

8:30 – 10:30AM (youth hall)

Until then... as you're doing your spring cleaning please 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 entryway of the youth hall, or for home pick-up, please contact Judy McNally at 366-5317.

THE PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK stands to meet in regular meeting on **Wednesday, April 22** at 10:00 am at C.F.B. Gagetown. Rev. Anne and Marlene Phillips, our representative elder, will be in attendance.



HARVEY MUSIC FESTIVAL begins **this evening**. The official opening is being held at **7pm at St. Andrew's United Church**. Choirs and soloists will be performing and all are invited to attend! The festival continues throughout the week.

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.



DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS WORKSHOP will be held **Saturday, May 2** at **St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church, Moncton, NB** from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. The workshop is designed for clergy, church secretaries, newsletter editors, web masters, in fact anyone in the congregation involved in, or willing to become involved in, the church’s communications.



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 27% of our agreed allocation.

Presbyterians Sharing mission moment:

April 22 – Earth Day

Maria de los Angeles used to depend on purchasing expensive produce at the market in order to feed her family. All that has changed now because of a Presbyterian World Service & Development program working to help farmers in her region end hunger by planting new types of fruits and vegetables and diversifying diets. The program is also ensuring that farmers know how to deal with Nicaragua’s often-dry climate. Maria has learned how to collect and recycle leaves to help trap moisture in the soil and make organic fertilizers. This resourcefulness is allowing Maria and other farmers like her to succeed. Maria is careful to give back what she takes, by helping to nurture her small piece of land by planting new trees and using environmentally sustainable farming techniques—and sharing this knowledge with her children and community to help ensure better futures for all.

PWS&D helps farmers care for creation.

FOOD BANK The congregation is reminded that the last Sunday of each month (next Sunday) has been designated Food Bank Sunday.

Psalm 4

One: You are my God and protector. Please answer my prayer. I was in terrible distress, but you set me free. Now have pity and listen as I pray.

All: How long will you people refuse to respect me? You love foolish things, and you run after what is worthless.

One: The Lord has chosen everyone who is faithful to be his very own, and he answers my prayers.

All: But each of you had better tremble and turn from your sins. Silently search your heart as you lie in bed.

One: Offer the proper sacrifices and trust the Lord.

All: There are some who ask, "Who will be good to us?" Let your kindness, Lord, shine brightly on us.

One: You brought me more happiness than a rich harvest of grain and grapes.

All: I can lie down and sleep soundly because you, Lord, will keep me safe.

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.