

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

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**February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015****1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent****WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD***\* Please stand as you are able***Prelude** (Special music – The Ecumenicals)**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:** Lord Jesus, who through forty days 200**Prayer of Approach****Prayer of Confession**

**As we come together before you in worship we become aware of our need to confess our failure and sin. We confess that there are times when we resist upholding our part of the covenant with you. At times we stray, tempted by the wish to explore other options. In these faithless moments we fail at the important things. We find it hard to be compassionate with others. We**

ignore the needs of your people. Our love for those closest to us wanes. We cause unnecessary pain. Forgive us, gracious God. In this Lenten season lead us in the way of your covenant. Grant that we may use these weeks of reflection well. May we become wiser in the ways of faithfulness and trust. May we live in closer communion with you, ourselves and other people. May our lives become prisms, creating rainbows, increasing beauty, deepening hope. (silent prayer). Amen.

### **Assurance of Pardon**

**Family Hymn:** God of the sparrow, God of the whale  
(vs. 1-3, 6) 307

### **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:** Genesis 9:8-17 (p. 10)

**\*Responsive Psalm:** Psalm 25:1-10 (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 Peter 3:18-22 (p. 1487)

The Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Anthem** The Ecumenicals

**The Gospel:** Mark 1:9-15 (p. 1191)  
 The Gospel of our risen Lord  
**Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ**

**Sermon**

**WE RESPOND TO THE WORD**

**The Offering** (Special music – The Ecumenicals)

**\*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**

**The Invitation**

**\*Communion Hymn:** I come with joy 530

**\*Apostle's Creed**

**The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And with you also.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*The people join in the ancient song after these words;*

...witnesses who live for you beyond all time and space, we lift our hearts in joyful praise:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
 Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the  
 Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Prayers of thanksgiving continue and the people are invited to "proclaim the mystery of faith."*

**Christ has died.  
Christ is risen.  
Christ will come again.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**The Words of Institution**

**The Communion**

**Prayer after Communion/Prayers of the People**

**Hymn:** O love, how deep, how broad, how high      205  
(vs. 1-3, 6)

**\*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**

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**The bulletin this morning is dedicated  
to the Glory of God and given in  
memory of our friend, Debbie Hood  
(Feb 22, 1959 - Feb 24, 2009) by  
Cheryl and Kim**

**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.

**SPECIAL WELCOME** and thanks to our musical guests this morning. We are pleased to have our morning worship blessed by the musical gifts of “The Ecumenicals”.

**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.

**VACATION** Rev. Anne will be away to Presbytery on Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, returning for evening worship. Following the service that evening she will be on vacation until March 5<sup>th</sup>. In a pastoral emergency, please contact the Clerk of Session, Nancy Patterson, at 366-2980.

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

**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 Simon Peter, is entitled: “Jesus as Knower and Lover of Our Souls” and is based on **John 18:12-27** and **Mark 14:71-72**. Each of the videos stands 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.



**Psalm 25:1-10**

One: I offer you my heart, Lord God, and I trust you.

**All: Don't make me ashamed or let enemies defeat me.**

One: Don't disappoint any of your worshipers, but disappoint all deceitful liars.

**All: Show me your paths and teach me to follow;**

One: guide me by your truth and instruct me. You keep me safe, and I always trust you.

**All: Please, Lord, remember, you have always been patient and kind.**

One: Forget each wrong I did when I was young. Show how truly kind you are and remember me.

**All: You are honest and merciful, and you teach sinners how to follow your path.**

One: You lead humble people to do what is right and to stay on your path.

**All: In everything you do, you are kind and faithful to everyone who keeps our agreement with you.**

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**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.