

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

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March 29th, 2015**Palm/Passion Sunday****WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD**** Please stand as you are able***Prelude****Lighting of the Christ Candle*****Processional Hymn/ Palm Parade:**

All glory, laud and honour 214

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

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

Loving God, we sing and shout, “Hosanna!
 Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the
 Lord!” and find it easy to ignore what is to come
 – anger, betrayal, torture, and death. Forgive us,
 Lord, when we strive to move from the
 celebration of Palm Sunday to the celebration of
 Easter, without taking time to hear, or experience

the passion and depths in between. Forgive us for the times we have fallen short: when we have been the cause of anger or been angry without cause; when we have rejoiced at the deaths of others – labelling them radicals. Help us be faithful to your gospel of love and liberation. Surround us with your enabling grace. Bless us with a community to help us live a life of faithfulness— faithfulness to the one who came to teach us how to live and how to love; faithfulness to one for whom we are waving palms today. (silent prayer) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Family Hymn Tell me the stories of Jesus 348

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 50: 4-9a (p. 867)

*Responsive Psalm Psalm 31: 9-16 (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 Philippians 2: 5-11 (p. 1430)
 The Word of the Lord
 Thanks be to God

**The Gospel: The Passion of Christ according to
Mark: (Mark 14:1-15:47 – p. 1216-1221)
Readings, Redactions, and Reflections**

The Gospel of our risen Lord
Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

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 Ride on, ride on in majesty 217

***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.

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Holy Week

Maundy Thursday (communion) 7pm Knox
 Good Friday 7pm St. Andrew's
 Easter sunrise 7:30am - 56 Lane 11 (Dave & Lois Thornton's)
 Easter breakfast (following sunrise service) – church bsment
 Easter Sunday Holy Communion 11am Knox

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PARADE OF FLOWERS Once again we will be having our annual Parade of Flowers on Easter Sunday. If you wish to have flowers placed in memory of someone, please let Marlene know before April 1st so that it can be noted in the bulletin. Please bring your flowers to the Youth Hall on Easter Sunday morning.

EASTER BREAKFAST: It was decided at the Annual Meeting that an Easter Breakfast would be held - following the early morning service - approx. 8:30ish. Lynn and Marlene volunteered to co-ordinate the breakfast but they cannot possibly do it themselves. Can you lend a hand - cooking eggs, turning sausage, making toast perhaps?

Lynn and Marlene will be at the church next Sunday morning at 7 a.m. Sure would be nice to see you there too! If you know you are available and can help, please relieve some of the worry by advising Marlene at Coffee Hour that you will be there.

EASTER BREAKFAST To make it easier for those coordinating we are asking that you consider signing up to let us know if you plan to be at the breakfast that morning. Sign-up sheets are available at the back of the church and downstairs at coffee hour.



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:

Mentoring vulnerable youth

Gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* support Kenora Fellowship Centre as it offers shelter and comfort to vulnerable, disadvantaged and displaced people in downtown Kenora, Ontario. It is the only place in this area offering people refuge from the streets. Its mentorship program offers hands-on experience to young people like Donovan. Youth help with the daily lunch program and take care of the elders, among other tasks. Donovan and others in the mentorship program enjoyed helping establish a vegetable garden, working alongside three elders who helped till and prepare the earth. An Ojibway elder blessed the garden and made suggestions on how to plant according to his teachings. Please pray for KFC as it reaches out to vulnerable youth and young adults through its mentorship program.

Presbyterians Sharing reaches out to vulnerable people

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 31: 9-16

One: Have pity, Lord! I am hurting and almost blind. My whole body aches.

All: I have known only sorrow all my life long, and I suffer year after year. I am weak from sin, and my bones are limp.

One: My enemies insult me. Neighbors are even worse, and I disgust my friends. People meet me on the street, and they turn and run.

All: I am completely forgotten like someone dead. I am merely a broken dish.

One: I hear the crowds whisper, “Everyone is afraid!” They are plotting and scheming to murder me.

All: But I trust you, Lord, and I claim you as my God.

One: My life is in your hands. Save me from enemies who hunt me down.

All: Smile on me, your servant. Have pity and rescue me

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