

St. Andrew's United Church  
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Organist: Mrs. Joanne Wiseman

Greeters: Don Bowman & John MacKnight

July 1, 2018

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost - Canada Day



**We Gather To Worship**

\*indicates to stand as you are able

Musical Prelude

\*Introit: #220, vs.1

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, who rules all creation;  
O my soul, praise him, at all times your health and salvation.  
Come, all who hear: brothers and sisters draw near,  
joining in glad adoration.**

\*Call to Worship:

L: This land is your land. This land is my land.

**All: This land is God's land.**

L: From east to west, from north to south, from ocean to ocean,

**All: We gather to worship as people have in this land since  
before Canada was a nation, since before the settlers arrived.**

L: We come to worship on this day, with true thanksgiving.

**All: In this great land, in this holy space, we join our voices and  
spirits with those past and present of all generations and all  
faiths who come together to praise God!**

L: So let us worship as we sing together our national anthem.

**\*O Canada!**

**Our home and native land!**

**True patriot love in all of us command.**

**With glowing hearts we see thee rise,  
The True North strong and free!**

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**From far and wide,**

**O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.**

**God keep our land glorious and free!**

**O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.**

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Opening Prayer: *(seated)*

O God, as we gather in worship on this Canada Day, we reflect on our nation, the people within it, and our ways of building and being community. We look for ways to be your people in this community, this country. We seek a renewed understanding of what it means to be a country of compassion and to form a land of principles, integrity and justice. May we live with confidence and hope in our service to one another, strengthened for this service by the gifts of your Spirit, this weekend and every day of the year ahead. Amen.

Hymn: #650, O God of Bethel *(congregation seated)*

Welcome & Announcements

**The Word of God Proclaimed**

Prayer for Illumination: *led by Marjorie MacPhee*

**O God, your word is a lamp to our feet, and a light to our  
path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and  
love. Amen.**

\*Responsive Reading Psalm 67, page 786 VU

Epistle Lesson: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Gospel Lesson: Mark 12:28-34

Ministry of Music

Reflection on the Word

**We Respond to God's Word**

\*Hymn: #523, O God of All the Many Lands *(tune:#625)*

Offering

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\*Offertory Choral Response: (#191, MV)

**What can I do? What can I bring?  
What can I say? What can I sing?  
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.  
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.**

Offertory Prayer:

**We cannot begin to count our many blessings as citizens of this country, and as members of the human race. But we do know to whom our thanksgiving should be directed; to you, our gracious God. Accept this offering as a symbol of our gratitude, and with it, the offering of our hearts and minds, ready to serve your people, in the name and spirit of Jesus. Amen.**

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer – *Debbie Stymiest & Rev. Charlene*

\*Hymn: #236, Now Thank We All Our God

\*Commissioning & Benediction:

L: Go. Bless and be blessed. Love and be loved. Renew and be renewed. Go, and work to build God's vision of peace and love in this community and in our country, Canada.

**All: We will go with God's blessing for the world.**

L: May the grace of Christ attend you, the love of God surround you, the Holy Spirit keep you this day and always.

Choral Amen

Musical Postlude

### Memorials

In loving memory of **Elizabeth (Atkinson) Grasman**, a donation to Local Funds has been received from Helen & Ed Jones.

In loving memory of **James Howe**, a donation to the Community Kitchen has been received from Phyllis McLaughlin.

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### Honourarium

In honour of **Muriel Lamkey's 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday**, a donation to the Summer Community Kitchen has been received from Margie Sticklen.

**Duty Unit: July** – Princess Street Unit

**Greeters: July 8** – Muriel Lamkey, Linda Laviolette/**July 15** – Norma Weatherby & Carol Johnston/**July 22** – Mavis Williamson & Diane Baker/**July 29** – Helen Jones & Marjorie MacPhee

**Sound System: July 1** – Mary Reynolds/**July 8** – Brian Savoy/**July 15** – Paul Rose/**July 22** – Brian Savoy

**Power Point: July 1** – Juanita Hamilton/**July 8** – Mary Reynolds/**July 15** – Karen Rose/**July 22** – Juanita Hamilton/**July 29** – Mary Reynolds

**Offering Collections: July 1** – Barb Doucet, Debbie Stymiest, Helen Jones, Frances Blakely/**July 8** – Mavis Williamson, John MacKnight, Merle Milson, Pat Boucher/**July 15** – Holly Daley, Hallam Curtis, Barb Doucet, Clarke Fraser/**July 22** – Dave & Brenda Hicks, Sam Shirley, Debbie Stymiest/**July 29** – Ferne & Ernie MacLean, Brian & Joan Savoy

**Offering Counters:**

**July 1** – Brian Savoy, Barry Campbell, Hallam Curtis/**July 8** – Lib Hachey, Plen & Carol Dickson/**July 15** – Karen Rose, Hallam Curtis, Barry Campbell

### Announcements

**Summer Hours: Starting July 1<sup>st</sup> the church service will be at 10:00 a.m. (July & August)**

**Office Hours:**

**Monday** – Closed; **Tuesday** 9am-1pm; **Wednesday** 9am-1pm; **Thursday** 9am-1pm; **Friday** 9am-12pm & 1pm-3pm

**Rev. Charlene will be on vacation from Monday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> to Monday, July 16<sup>th</sup>.** Rev. David Allan (*Loggieville*) will cover for pastoral emergencies (778-8601). The service on July 8<sup>th</sup> will be led by Merle Milson and on July 15<sup>th</sup> the service will be conducted by Wendell Gregan.

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**The Pastoral Care and Outreach Team are planning a Summer Picnic Outing** for our church seniors at Middle Island on Wednesday, August 15th at 11:30 am, rain date August 22nd. Sign -up sheet at the back of the church. If you know of a senior within the church who would like to attend, please sign them up. More information to follow.

**Canada Day Concert** – Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 360 Newcastle Blvd. Admission: free will offering. Reception will follow in the parish centre. Special music by Celtic Group Ceangal from Fredericton, NB, plus much more.

**A Strawberry Social will be held July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from 1-4 pm at the Black River Hall.** Shortcake: \$6.00. Ice cream with strawberries \$3.00. This is a fundraiser for St. Paul's Presbyterian Church.

**Black River Cemetery Service will be held on Sunday, July 8, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.**

**35<sup>th</sup> Canada's Irish Festival closing concert**, Sunday July 22<sup>nd</sup> at James M. Hill Theatre with America's Irish Tenor, Ronan Tynan and accompanist William Lewis. Show time 7:00 p.m. Advance tickets \$35.00, door \$ 40.00 on sale at Irish Festival office, Kingston Car Wash, Brookdale Flower Shop and on line [www.canadasirishfest.com](http://www.canadasirishfest.com) or calling 778-8810.

**The Salvation Army is in need of the following toiletries for their clients. Shampoo, bars of soap and toothpaste.** They need regular size items, unused. While the dollar stores have inexpensive toiletries, for clients receiving \$537.00 a month from income assistance and paying \$300.00 a month for rent, even inexpensive is beyond their means. Any assistance your congregation may be able to provide would be very much appreciated. A Huge 'Thank You'.

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I'd like to thank Rev Charlene, members of the choir and congregation for your many kind wishes and get-well prayers during my hospital stay a while back. They seem to have worked! I am very grateful to you all. I especially want to thank Rev Charlene for her visits which I unfortunately do not recall as I was happily in 'la-la' land due to my reaction to the anesthetic and/or drugs, I don't know which. I apologize if anyone dropped in and I didn't acknowledge you. I recall nothing at all of that 2-month period, but please know that I appreciate you and am very thankful.

- Ken Simpson