

A Warm Welcome to All Who Gather for Worship

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Peace, in the sense of the absence of war, is of little value to someone who is dying of hunger or cold. It will not remove the pain of torture inflicted on a prisoner of conscience. It does not comfort those who have lost their loved ones in floods caused by senseless deforestation in a neighboring country. Peace can only last where human rights are respected, where the people are fed, and where individuals and nations are free.

HH The Dalai Lama



November 8, 2009

Pentecost 23

Remembrance Sunday

(Congregational responses are in bold type.)

***Please stand as you are able)**

Prelude: *Ashoken Farewell* (Jay Ungar)

Welcome & Announcements

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

We Remember

The first stroke of eleven produced a magical effect.

The tram cars glided into stillness, motors ceased to cough and fume, and stopped dead, and the mighty-limbed dray horses hunched back upon their loads and stopped also, seeming to do it of their own volition.

Someone took off his hat, and with a nervous hesitancy the rest of the men bowed their heads also. Here and there an old soldier

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Minute for Mission

Offering Our Gifts to God: *Pie Jesu* (Gentle Jesus) (Fauré)

Dedication: *In gratitude and humble trust*

we bring our best to you,

not just to serve your cause, but share your love with neighbours, too...

O God, who gave yourself to us

in Jesus Christ, your Son,

help us to give ourselves each day

until life's work is done.

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Offertory Prayer:

May these gifts be multiplied

as we conceive of God's abundant love

and give birth to the ways

of love and justice in our world. Amen

Prayers of the People

WE ARE SENT FORTH

*Hymn: #527 *God! As with Silent Hearts*

*Commissioning and Benediction

could be detected slipping unconsciously into the posture of 'attention'. An elderly woman, not far away, wiped her eyes, and the man beside her looked white and stern. Everyone stood very still ... The hush deepened. It had spread over the whole city and become so pronounced as to impress one with a sense of audibility. It was a silence which was almost pain ... And the spirit of memory brooded over it all.

Manchester Guardian, 12th November 1919

Please stand as our veterans enter.

* *O Canada* VU # 524

*Laying of the Wreaths

* *Last Post*

* Silence

* *Reveille*

* *In Flanders Fields* (Words by Dr. John McCrae)

**God Save the Queen*

Lighting of the Memorial Candles and the Peace Candle

Call to Worship:

**Creating, Sustaining, Providing One,
we come to be restored in you.**

**Sophia Wisdom, Redeeming Christ,
guide us in the way of abundant life.**

**Comforting, Challenging, Enabling Spirit,
may we be ready to receive your vision.**

Seasons of the Spirit - 2009

*Hymn: #806 *O God, Our Help in Ages Past*

Prayer of Approach

Hymn: #356 *Seek Ye First the Kingdom* (Please remain seated)
Theme Conversation and the Prayer of Jesus

Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, you who are the source of all our yearning
and our desire for fullness of life; you who are the vision that
helps us continue to dream.**

**Forgive us when we fall short of your hopes for us. Forgive
our lack of concern for others. Forgive us for the times when
our own self interest over takes your call to justice.**

**Help us to become so filled with the joy of your presence that
we live each and every moment with gratitude and we receive
every person in our life as a precious gift, through Christ, with
Christ and in Christ we pray. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

First Testament Reading: Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17
(*Ruth marries Boaz and restores the family line.*)

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 127 (VU pg. 851)
(*Unless God builds the house.*)

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28
(*Christ, the once and for all sacrifice for sin.*)

Anthem: *In Remembrance* (Eleanor Daley)

Gospel Reading: Mark 12:38-44
(*The widow offers two small copper coins.*)

Message: *Why?*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn: *I Saw the Rich Ones* -see blue insert (#127 *More Voices*)

*Choral Benediction:

*Go with us Lord, as now we depart,
calming the fears that trouble each heart.
Keep us all in your grace ----- until we come, again, to this
place.*

Interlude

*Now we will walk in peace with the Lord,
living in faith and teaching his word.
Share his love ev'ry day ----- for he has surely shown us the
way!*

A – men, a – men.

*Prayer of Dedication (Don Besig and Nancy Price)**

Postlude: *Dona Nobis Pacem* (Mozart)

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*Thank you to Heather Sherrard for sharing her leadership skills
with us this morning.*

Stewards responsible for checking the church:

this week – November 8 – Harry Dunfield

next week – November 15 – Ray Tonge

Scripture Readings for November 15: 1 Samuel 1:4-20;
Psalm 93; Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25; Mark 13:1-8.

* **Celebrate Life Musical Concert** with Tracy, family and friends;
Monday, November 23, 7:30pm at the Imperial Theatre.*

***Coalition for Pay Equity Saint John Regional Committee Meet** and
Greet; Wednesday, November 25, 11am-1:30pm at Centenary-Queen
Square UC (storefront).*

***Montreal Canadiens Alumni Game**; Wednesday, Nov. 25, 7pm,
Lord Beaverbrook Arena.*

***The Park Avenue Fiddlers** Concert; Friday, Nov. 27, 7:30-9:30pm
Park Avenue UC.*

***Holly Luncheon**, Saturday, Nov. 28, 11am-1pm, Hampton UC.*

***Annual Christmas Celebration Dinner and Benefit Concert**;
Tuesday, December 1, 6:15pm, St. James the Less, Rothesay.*

***Christmas with the Sopranos**; Sunday, December 6, 7:30pm,
St.David's UC.*

***Youth for Peace**; mid-May 2010, Colombia.*



Announcing

LIFE of the CONGREGATION and COMMUNITY

This Week: November 8 –14

TODAY 11:15am Children's Choir Practice
3:00pm Covenanting Service for Rev. Audrey
6:30pm No Sunday Night Jammers

MONDAY 7:00pm Community Chaplaincy Volunteers meeting in
the kitchen to make turkey vegetable soup and
apple crisp.

TUESDAY 10:30am Tuesday morning Study Group

WEDNESDAY 7:00pm Second Scout Organization Meeting in
the Youth Room

THURSDAY 7:00-8:30pm Adult Choir Practice

The Youth Group is selling **calendars and decorative unscented candles**. Calendars are available in the church office or contact Karen Young.

Upper Rooms for November/December are now available in the church entry ways.



Our **adult choir** is preparing for a cantata "Conversations with Mary" to be presented during Advent. We are welcoming singers to join us at this time. We practice at 7:00 PM each Thursday and we are aiming to begin cantata practice by 7:45. Please think about joining us.



Still looking for **volunteers for the Nursery**; sign up sheet on the side hall bulletin board or in the Nursery.



United for Peace Pins and Cards still available at reduced prices (at cost); pins - \$6, cards- \$3; time is running out – campaign ends December 09; contact Jane Barefoot (849-9302) or Sally Allanach (847-2170).

Observer Subscription Time for new readers and renewals. Let's try to increase our subscription list!

LOOKING AHEAD



Adelaide Barbour and Agnes Allingham UCW Groups are invited to join Saint David's UCW for a **Social Evening at Saint David's UC**, Wednesday, Nov. 18, 7:30pm. Please rsvp Kathryn @ 8479-2875.

Licensed Lay Leader Workshop; Friday, Nov. 20, 6:30-9:30pm at St. Mark's UC; contact leaders Rev. Audrey (847-4924, or Rev. Bob Mercer (672-3320) to confirm attendance.

Covenanting Service for Rev. Karen MacNeill; Sunday, Nov. 22, 7pm, at Saint Andrew's Kirk, Hammond River.

The Social Committee is planning a **potluck supper, carol sing, and silent auction** on November 28, the eve of Advent. Everyone welcome! Please sign up on the bulletin board and please contact Karen Young at 848-1018 or karendixie@hotmail.com with your contribution to the silent auction. A few suggestions you could donate to the silent auction: tickets to concerts or games, baskets of homemade goodies, new or nearly new decorative items, plants,...

The Agnes Allingham UCW **Mitten Tree** will be up for knitted items on Nov. 28. Socks, mittens, gloves or scarves will be very much appreciated. If you are not a knitter, we accept all types.

Christmas Dreaming – an Advent celebration with readings and special music from three area choirs; Sunday, Nov. 29, 7pm.

* DETAILS OF THESE ANNOUNCEMENTS ON BULLETIN BOARDS*

***10,000 Villages Craft Sale**; Nov. 12-14 at St. Mark's UC, Dexter Drive.*

***Strings and Sweets**; Sunday, Nov. 25, 2:30pm, St. Paul's, Rothesay.*

*St. Mark's UC **Citrus Fruit Sale***

***No Minor Prophets!** workshop for all seminary graduates; Nov. 19-20 at the Church of St. Andrew and St. David, SJ.*

***Developing Pre-reading Skills Workshop**; Thursday, Nov. 19, 7-9pm at Rothesay Arena.*

***Christmas Craft & Bake Sale**; Saturday, Nov. 21, 10am-1pm at Glen View UC.*

I Saw the Rich Ones

- 1) *I saw the rich ones I say what they gave
the widow who offered two pennies she'd saved
and I saw she was smiling I knew she was glad
and I wondered because she gave all that she had*

Refrain:

*But with God the world is turned upside down
the poor are embraced and the lost they are found.
Let's work for a world where all people are free
where it's good to feel good about God loving you and me.*

- 2) *I saw Zacheus, a sinner they said
but to his house I saw Jesus go to break bread
and I knew something special had happened that day
when Zacheus gave half of his riches away. Refrain.*
- 3) *men in vineyards were grumbling one day
I know they weren't happy with what they'd been paid
for the ones who came later were paid just the same
as the workers who greeted the dawn when they came. Refrain.*

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