

Weston Presbyterian Church

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October 15th, 2017

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Organ Prelude

Call to Worship (sung): “King of Kings” 266

King of kings and Lord of lords, glory, hallelujah! (repeat)
Jesus, Prince of Peace, glory, hallelujah! (repeat)

Let us worship God!

Hymn: “God, reveal your presence” 414

Prayer of Approach

Prayer of Confession (unison):

**We confess that we too often forget
the great things you have done for us.
Instead of thanking you
for the many gifts you have given us,
we act like we have earned them
through our own powers.
We rebel against you
by complaining about what we do not have
and attempting to shape our own lives
through money, power, success and influence.
Forgive us for putting the things of this world
above you and for not trusting in your plan
for our lives and our communities.
Help us to rejoice in and bear witness to
all you have done.
May we seek your will in all we do.
Amen.**

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination (sung): “Lord, be thy word” 494

*Lord, be thy word my rule; in it may I rejoice,
thy glory be my aim, thy holy will, my choice,*

*thy promises my hope, thy providence my guard,
thine arm my strong support, thy self my great reward.*

Old Testament Scripture:

Exodus 32:1-14

(p. 69)

Isaiah 25:1-9 (responsive):

O Lord, you are my God;
I will exalt you, I will praise your name;
for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

**²For you have made the city a heap,
the fortified city a ruin;
the palace of aliens is a city no more,
it will never be rebuilt.**

³Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;
cities of ruthless nations will fear you.

**⁴For you have been a refuge to the poor,
a refuge to the needy in their distress,
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.**

When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm,
⁵the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place,
you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds;
the song of the ruthless was stilled.

**⁶On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make
for all peoples a feast of rich food,
a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow,
of well-aged wines strained clear.**

**⁷And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;
he will swallow up death forever.**

**⁸Then the Lord God will wipe away
the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away
from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.**

**⁹It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God;
we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.**

Engaging the children of God

Hymn: “*Thy kingdom come—on bended knee*” 784

Epistle and Gospel Readings:

Philippians 4:1-9 (p. 955)

Matthew 22:1-14 (p. 803)

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Hymn: “*What a friend we have in Jesus*” 746

Sermon: *The authority of Jesus*

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn: “*Christ is coming*” 795

*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.*

Offertory Prayer (unison):

All good things come from you, O God,
and all that we are
is a trust from you.
So, in gratitude for all your gifts,
we offer you ourselves and all that we have
in union with Christ’s offering for us. Amen.

Announcements

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession and **the Lord’s Prayer**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.**

Hymn: *“Your hand, O God, has guided”*

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Call to walk in the Spirit (responsive):

God has done, is doing, and will do
wonderful things for us
**so let us exalt God and praise God’s name
each and every day.**

All tears will be wiped away
and hope in God will be fully realized
**so let us thank God and rejoice in our salvation
this day and forever.**

Sung Benediction

*Give thanks with a grateful heart.
Give thanks to the Holy One.
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son.
And now let the weak say 'I am strong.'
Let the poor say 'I am rich.'
Because of what the Lord has done for us.
Give thanks. Give thanks.*

"Sing Amen" (2x)

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**Amen, we praise your name, O God.
Amen, we praise your name, O God.
Amen, amen, amen, amen,
amen, we praise your name, O God.**

Silent Meditation (We leave to share the good news.)

Organ Postlude

***Welcome to our service of worship this morning.
Thank you for joining us. We hope you will come to
Lower Creelman Hall for refreshments and a time of
fellowship after the service.***

***If you are here for the first time, please sign our
guest book at the Cross Street entrance.***

***May God richly bless you and make you a blessing
to many.***

Stewardship Moment

Every day is a bank account, and time is our currency. No one is rich, no one is poor, we've got 24 hours each.

Christopher Rice (1978 -), American author

Mission Moment – World Food Day (October 16)

Today, 800 million people worldwide go to bed with an empty stomach. The majority of the world's hungry people are subsistence farmers. These farmers struggle to cultivate plentiful harvests in the midst of a changing climate, which brings unpredictable and extreme weather events that devastate crops. The *Canadian Foodgrains Bank's Climate Fund* is a way for Canadians to respond to families impacted by climate change. This year, donations to the Climate Fund will support *PWS&D's* agro-ecological and food security project in Guatemala. The project has been transformative for Catalina, a farmer who received support to adapt to climate change, grow more vegetables and improve her family's nutrition. "I am grateful that we can see another way to live a healthy life," she says.

PWS&D helps small-scale farmers adapt to climate change.

UPCOMING

Tuesday, **October 17, 2017** – *OWAISSA*
Church House – 1:00 p.m.

Saturday, **October 21, 2017** – *Session*
Church House – 9:30 p.m.

Sunday, **November 19, 2017** – *170th Anniversary luncheon*

Once again, after our summer intermission, we'll be collecting various items for the **Weston King Neighbourhood Centre**. The Centre would at this time welcome donations of *dinnerware*: plates, cups, forks and spoons! This will be our project for September and October and will be overseen by Margaret and Don Rome. Be assured that our support is greatly appreciated!



Readings for October 22nd

Exodus 33:12-23

God speaks to Moses

Psalm 99

God delights in justice

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Giving thanks for you

Matthew 22:15-22

Give to God the things of God



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