

Weston Presbyterian Church

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February 11th, 2018
Transfiguration Sunday

Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Organ Prelude

Call to Worship (sung): **449**

*Lord, listen to your children praying;
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love; send us power; send us grace!*

Let us worship God!

Hymn: “O Lord my God! / How great thou art” **332**

Prayer of Approach

Prayer of Confession concluding with **the Lord’s Prayer**

Assurance of Pardon

TO HEAR GOD’S WORD

Sung Prayer for Illumination: “Sing them over” (v. 2) 498

*Christ, the blessed one, gives to all, wonderful words of life;
sinner, list to the loving call, wonderful words of life;
all so freely given, wooing us to heaven.
Beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life,
beautiful words, wonderful words, wonderful words of life.*

Old Testament Scripture:

2 Kings 2:1-12 (p. 290)

Responsive Psalm 50:1-6, refrain III (red psalter):

Hymn: “*The God of Abraham praise*” 331

Epistle and Gospel Readings:

2 Corinthians 4:3-6 (p. 939)

Mark 9:2-9 (p. 820)

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

Hymn: “*We have come at Christ’s own bidding*” 187

Sermon: *The Beloved*

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn: “*You, Lord, are both lamb and shepherd*” 356

Offering and Offering Response: “*Doxology*” 830

**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):

**Thank you, O God, for revealing to us
the everlasting glory of Jesus Christ.
Thank you for the gift of your Holy Spirit.
May we be your willing servants,
as those who are transfigured in your love,
offering to you all that we are and all that we have.
Amen.**

Announcements

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn: “*Lord, the light of your love is shining*” 376

Call to walk in the Spirit (unison):

**The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
the Lord turn his face toward you
and give you peace.
Alleluia! Amen.**

Sung Benediction (Edelweiss)

***May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace,
courage in every endeavor.
Lift up your heart to see his face, full of grace forever.
May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.***

“*Sing Amen*” (2x) 264

**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.

Mission Moment - A miracle of abundance

Like those who witnessed Jesus feeding the five thousand, members of the Northern New Brunswick Regional Ministry have experienced a miracle of abundance. The four separate congregations were each struggling in their own way until they came together to grow as one. Through *Presbyterians Sharing*, these partners in ministry are now sharing their gifts in ways that enhance, inspire, and build their communities. One of the congregations with established gifts in youth ministry recently sent a youth team to another ministry in the region to help them run a Vacation Bible School. What started out as a kind gesture ended up inspiring new leadership and sparking a whole new children's ministry where there was none before. This is just one example of how these congregations, through gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing*, are growing together to share God's love.

Presbyterians Sharing shares the love of God

Stewardship Moment

If you haven't got any charity in your heart, you have the worst kind of heart trouble.

Bob Hope (1903 - 2003)



Weston King Neighbourhood Centre is always in need of items of various sorts. For February we will continue to provide personal hygiene items for the Centre's clients, but also items such as warm socks, gloves, and scarves. Know that your support is greatly appreciated. ***Thank you!***

UPCOMING

Tuesday, **February 13** – *Presbytery of West Toronto*
St. Andrew's, Islington PC – 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, **February 18** – *Annual Meeting*
Lower Creelman Hall – following worship

Tuesday, **February 20** – *OWA/ISSA*
Church House – 1:00 p.m.

Don't forget the Food Bank!

The need is greater than ever. Any non-perishable food item you can provide would be greatly appreciated. A collection box is located at the back door. Thank you for keeping this important ministry in mind.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2018

Weston Area Service

Friday, March 2nd, 2018

2 p.m.

Weston Presbyterian Church

The service is written by the women of Suriname on the theme "*All God's Creation is Very Good.*"

Everyone is welcome!

Donations of non-perishable food for W.A.E.S. (the food bank) would be appreciated.

Freedom in Christ

Brothers and sisters, break free from whatever ruts you have settled into! Whoever does not want to be set free – well, suit yourself – but don't say you are living in Christ's spirit. You can continue in the old ways and be a part of Christianity, but not of God's kingdom. You can live in Christianity but not in Christ; the gulf between the two is great. You can settle down and feather your nest and think, "Now I've got it made," but you'll never win eternity. That is something altogether different. The "city" we have now does not interest us; it cannot last. Instead, we seek the future city – the one God sets before our eyes – of which Christ is ruler.

Christoph Friedrich Blumhardt

Readings for February 18th

Genesis 9:8-17

God's covenant with Noah

Psalms 25:1-10

God's truth

1 Peter 3:18-22

Baptism now saves

Mark 1:9-15

Baptized, tempted, commissioned



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