

Weston Presbyterian Church

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February 16th, 2020

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Organ Prelude

Call to Worship: “*O Lord, hear my prayer*” (2x)

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*O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer,
When I call answer me.
O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer,
Come and listen to me.*

A Moment of Silence

Reading from Living Faith 2.3.1 – 2.3.3 (responsive):

We are called to work out the meaning of our own lives
and to find our true vocation in the love and service of God.

We serve and love God

**by the service and love of creation
especially the care of the needy.**

**Every kind of work that is honest and serves others
is a vocation from the Lord.**

Calling means the necessity
to deny selfish ambition and desire
in order to minister to others.

In God’s service true freedom is to be found.

Let us worship God!

Hymn: “*Love divine, all loves excelling*”

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Prayer of Approach 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.**

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination (unison):

**Your word is the greatest of treasures, O God,
for you are just and loving in all your ways.
Give us understanding of your will
and direct our ways that we may faithfully serve you
for the sake of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Old Testament Scripture:

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 (m.)

(p. 163)

Responsive Psalm 119:1-8, refrain 1 (red psalter)

Engaging the Children of God

Hymn: "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet"

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Epistle and Gospel Readings:

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

(p. 927)

Matthew 5:21-37

(p. 786)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: *The Kingdom Heart*

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn: “Called as partners in Christ’s service”

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Offering and Offering Response: “Doxology”

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**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):

**We give you thanks, O Lord,
for accepting us as your people
and employing us in your ministry.
May we use in your service
all our talents and gifts, all that you have given us,
ever praising you with full hearts. Amen.**

Announcements

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn: “Christ, you call us all to service”

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Call to walk in the Spirit (responsive):

Let us go forth in the name of the Lord,
loving one another as he has commanded,
serving all whom we encounter.

**As God's own, we will clothe ourselves
with compassion, kindness, and patience,
forgiving each other as the Lord has forgiven us,
crowning all these things will love,
which binds everything together in perfect harmony.**

Sung Benediction: "*The Lord is my song*"

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*The Lord is my song; the Lord is my praise:
all my hope comes from God.*

*The Lord is my song; the Lord is my praise:
God, the well-spring of life.*

Threefold Amen

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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 for the
Annual General Meeting.***

***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.***

Weston King Neighbourhood Centre is always in need of various items. Especially appreciated are **wool work socks for both men and women** as well as other winter wear. Other items to consider are thermal mugs, tarps and pup-tents (check out dollar stores for these). Please know that your support is greatly appreciated. ***Thank you!***



Stewardship Moment

The fragrance always stays in the hand that gives the rose.

Hada Bejar (1931-2014), actress



Mission Moment - CY 2020: No End in Sight

This July, hundreds of youth, young adults and leaders will gather for five days of soul-satisfying worship at Canada Youth. They will enjoy unique expressions of faith in both large and small groups, inspiring keynotes and workshops, dynamic faith exploration and joyful celebration. For 20 years, CY has been a gathering place for all kinds of enthusiastic Presbyterians to worship, play, create, learn, dance, sing, act, make new friends, study scripture, share joy, reflect, pray and share. More than 4,000 people have attended the event since it began, and the impact has been felt across our church. *Presbyterians Sharing* provides support for this unique event which comes around once every two years. Let's celebrate the vibrant ministry of The Presbyterian Church in Canada!

Presbyterians Sharing supports Canada Youth.

UPCOMING 2020

Tuesday, **February 18** – OWA/ISSA

Church House – 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, **March 1** – *Sacrament of Communion*

followed by a potluck luncheon

and the *Presbytery Visitation*

Friday, **March 6** – *World Day of Prayer*

Central United Church, 2 p.m.

We are always heard

Even the most sincere, the most deeply founded in faith, go through hours of despair. At such times it is important to continue praying. Perhaps it will sound as if we are talking into an echo chamber. Or perhaps we will feel that our efforts are so insignificant, so weak, that our voice can never reach heaven. But prayer never depends on our feeling close to God; he is always close to us, and he does hear us.

Johann Christoph Arnold

Cries from the Heart



Readings for February 23rd

Exodus 24:12-18

Psalm 2

2 Peter 1:16-21

Matthew 17:1-9

Moses called up the mountain

Serving God with reverence

The morning star

Transfiguration of Jesus



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*We meet in worship on the traditional territory
of the Mississaugas of the New Credit.*