

This Week

SUNDAY, December 17

10:00 a.m. Worship
12:00 noon Young Adults Lunch and Study

MONDAY, December 18

6:30 p.m. ESL Conversation
7:30 p.m. Session

TUESDAY, December 19

January Calendar Deadline at 9:00 am
7:00 p.m. Bethel Series Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, December 20

THURSDAY, December 21

7:30 p.m. Choir Practice

FRIDAY, December 22

SATURDAY, December 23



*Enabling individuals and families to discover, grow in
and share the love of God found in Jesus Christ.*

Worship Service

Sunday, December 17, 2017
10:00 a.m.

Minister: Rev. James T. Hurd

Serving this morning and for whom we are thankful:

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| Duty Elder | John Huber |
| Ushers | Robert and Gregory Newton |
| Reader | John Huber |
| Refreshments | Ed and Vicki Steenhorst |
| Guest Book | Kathryn Newton |
| Greeter | Kathryn Newton |
| Lift Attendant | Carolyn Herbert |

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*In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ,
we welcome you today.*

May you experience the love of God
and warmth of His people, the Church.

All are invited for refreshments and conversation
downstairs in the Fellowship Hall
immediately following worship.

If you are visiting, we invite you to sign our guest book or
fill in a welcome card and put it in the offering plate.

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Order for the Public Worship of God

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the third Advent candle: The candle of Joy
(To be lit by John and Beth Huber; Lee-Ann, Kelley, Ewan, and Erynn Davis)

Praise – **Gifts of Christmas**

Prayer of Approach

Praise – **Hymn of joy**
– **Hail to the Lord's Anointed**

Children's Story and Prayer

Anthem – **The little drummer boy** (Sunday School and Choir)

Offering

Offering music – **Star Child**

Doxology – **Offering**

Prayer of Dedication

Family Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Scripture Readings

Old Testament – **Zephaniah 3: 14-20** (page 914)

New Testament – **Luke 1: 46-55** (page 991)

Sermon – **Joy: He will delight in the fear of the Lord**

Prayer

Closing Praise – **I come with joy**

Benediction

Choral Amen

Departing Praise – **Go out with joy**



Welcome to worship ... May you feel God's presence and find a warm welcome as you worship with us!

Notes & comments



The Treasurer reminds everyone that 2017 income tax receipts can include only those tithes and offerings received on or before December 31. This is in accordance with Canada Revenue Agency

(CRA) Policy.

Please pick up your 2018 offering envelopes from the table in the Gathering Place.

For the convenience of those who either do not have offering envelopes or for those who have left them at home, generic offering envelopes are provided at either end of the pews. An opportunity is provided on the generic envelopes to request offering envelopes. Please be sure to include your complete name and address including postal code.

Also, if you wish, your contributions to the church can be made by automatic monthly debits to your bank account. To request offering envelopes, to enroll in our automatic debit plan or to request more information, please contact Lorne Roach at 613-224-3706 / lcroach@sympatico.ca

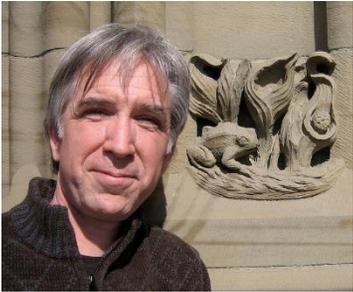


Building Keys

If you have a front door key from before renovations, it will open the new front door. If you no longer need yours, please return it to the office so we can update your record.

Finance and Maintenance

Mission Moments: December 2017



Combating racism in Japan

Gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* support David McIntosh, co-director of the Centre for Minority Issues and Mission in Tokyo, which was established as a Christian response to a surge in racist activity in Japan. Hate speech in public places and abusive language via internet primarily targets people of Korean and Chinese heritage in Japan,

but also other minority groups. The Centre is an ecumenical initiative led by PCC mission partner the Korean Christian Church in Japan, in collaboration with other Japanese churches, Christian organizations and international church partners. David and his co-director, Rev. KIM Shinya, work with partners to combat racism and urge the government to improve legal and administrative supports for vulnerable minorities. The Centre plans events that bring youth together to learn and think about the world through the eyes and stories of the vulnerable, and to pray and listen for God's call.

Presbyterians Sharing walks with vulnerable people



Equipping and nurturing future church leaders

Gifts to *Presbyterians Sharing* equip and nurture future church leaders who in turn will equip and nurture others to witness faithfully in the world. In 2017, 18 students graduated from our three theological colleges – Knox College

in Toronto, The Presbyterian College in Montreal and Vancouver School of Theology and St. Andrew's Hall in Vancouver. These colleges provide a strong academic and practical foundation to prepare students to serve our congregations. The PCC supports ministry candidates and their presbyteries as they work to discern the candidate's call. In 2017, 16 candidates attended the PCC's Guidance Conference, which helps participants recognize their abilities, strengths and weaknesses and develop a plan of growth as they move forward. Together, we also encourage and support new clergy who have just begun their ministries.

Presbyterians Sharing supports visionary church leaders

The Parkwood Mission Team would like to bring to the attention of the congregation and friends of Parkwood, that as of 12 Dec. the donations this year to *Presbyterians Sharing* total \$13,168. It was agreed at the 2017 Annual General Meeting that our end of year target for *Presbyterians Sharing* would be \$20,000 this year.

The Mission Team

Upcoming events

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| Advent IV – Love @ 10 am | Dec. 24 |
| Christmas Eve Service @ 7 pm | Dec. 24 |
| Christmas Day Worship Service @ 11 pm | Dec. 25 |
| Boxing Day – Church closed | Dec. 26 |

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