WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

(theme of the TRC closing)

The Presbyterian Church of





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WELCOME!

We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us this morning!

June 28th, 2015 Pentecost 5 *All who are able are asked to stand



Our Vision:

A Worshipping-Sharing-Welcoming **Community**

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God Calls Us to Worship

Prelude: Improvisation on Fairest Lord Iesus *The Entry of the Scriptures

Call to Worship: Sing praises to the LORD, and give thanks to God's holy name for the LORD our God has healed us when we cried for help and restored us in times of deepest despair. The LORD has turned our sorrow into

dancing; taken our sackcloth from us, and clothed us with joy. Sing to the LORD without end, and give thanks to the LORD for ever.

Hymn: Be Still and Know

Litany: God calls us in our lives to take a risk, to be like the woman in the gospel we will share who reaches out to Jesus for healing for herself; or the father who risks the scorn of others to bring Jesus to his dying daughter. Let us ponder for a moment the places in our lives where we may resist turning to God for healing and change. (silence) When we resist your call to open our hearts to allow the freshness of your grace to enter: God have mercy. When we close our eyes to your new and unexpected possibilities of healing and reconciliation. Christ have mercy. When we let fear overwhelm us, and cling to the security of what we know instead of risking new steps toward your freedom and justice: God have mercy.

Assurance of Grace: God's mercies are fresh every morning. In Christ God offers forgiving grace and welcome into a community of trust, abundance, and hope. Let us give thanks for the mercy of God, and pass the peace of Christ in community among us.

We Hear God's Word

First Reading: 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27

One: The Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God. Responsive Reading: Psalm 130 \(\mathbb{A}\) Out of the depths 1 cry to you, O LORD. ▶Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications! $\maltese If$ you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? ★But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered. \(\frac{\pi}{2}\)I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; \(\Psi\) my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning. \(\Prisstar{1}{2}\) Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities. Gloria Patri (sung) Hymn: There is a balm in Gilead

From the letters: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

Gospel: Mark 5: 21-43

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ Community Conversation - Commissioning "GO" team Lord in this broken world 723 Hymn: "Get Up!" Russ Day Sermon:

We Respond to God's Word

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Offertory Music: Kate Kempster-Harper *Doxology: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow" Offertory Prayer Announcements:

"Lord, listen to your children praying" Prayers of the People: (using the Lord's prayer at **564**)

We Go Out to Serve God

*Hvmn: Revive your work, O Lord 284 *Benediction *Choral Amen Postlude: Fantasy of O Canada by D Bedard Worship is now ended let our service begin!

THIS WEEK in the summer - (June 28-July 05)

Refreshments following the service. Today Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm David's Place 9:00 am Early service with Sunday communion: 9:45 am Circle of Prayer. 10:30 am Celebration of Communion with all four churches

GO Project: The United Church offers youth from across Canada the opportunity to form a faith community, explore their faith and live out their faith in various outreach projects around Halifax. The GO participants arrive soon and will need drives, laundry services, and some baking. They also need some air mattresses and bus

tickets. If you can offer any of this please contact the GO coordinator at miriamillmanwhite@cmail.carleton.ca or kevin.little@eastlink.ca

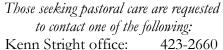
2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 After the death of Saul, when David had returned from defeating the Amalekites, David remained two days in Ziklag. David intoned this lamentation over Saul and his son Jonathan. (He ordered that The Song of the Bow be taught to the people of Judah; it is written in the Book of Jashar.) He said: Your glory, O Israel, lies slain upon your high places! How the mighty have fallen! Tell it not in Gath, proclaim it not in the streets of Ashkelon; or the daughters of the Philistines will rejoice, the daughters of the uncircumcised will exult. You mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew or rain upon you, nor bounteous fields! For there the shield of the mighty was defiled, the shield of Saul, anointed with oil no more. From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, the bow of Jonathan did not turn back, nor the sword of Saul return empty. Saul and Jonathan, beloved and lovely! In life and in death they were not divided; they were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions. O daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you with crimson, in luxury, who put ornaments of gold on your apparel. How the mighty have fallen in the midst of the battle! Jonathan lies slain upon your high places. I am distressed for you, my brother Jonathan; greatly beloved were you to me; your love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women. How the mighty have fallen, and the weapons of war perished!

2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Now as you excel in everything--in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you-so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking. 1 do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something-- now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has--not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written, "The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

Mark 5:21-43 When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said. "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, lesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease." While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

PASTORAL CARE







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MISSION CAPSULES: Responding to floods in

Malawi Flooding in Malawi earlier this year destroyed homes and left many in need of shelter, food and other sanitation supplies—including toilets. The loss of latrines in a flood zone is a serious problem. When proper sanitation is no longer possible, the risk of contracting waterborne diseases such as diarrhea, malaria and even cholera increases significantly. Presbyterian World Service & Development, in collaboration with local partners and health workers in Malawi, is helping rebuild 1,000 latrines. PWS&D will continue to work to reduce the risk of disease, improve sanitation and ensure that families affected by the flooding are able to continue to rebuild their lives.

PRAYER PARTNERSHIP Pray for people going through a time of transition—for graduating students, those who are moving, those who are retiring and all who are facing new beginnings.

STEWARDSHIP Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

1 Peter 4:10

We welcome all who are worshipping here today! If you are here for the first time, please sign the Guest Book at the main entrance. Our Welcoming Elder this morning is Phyllis Morrison. Our reader for this morning is Frank Sommerville. Our refreshment hosts today are Anne Sommerville, Margot Knox, and Elizabeth Cameron.