



God with us

*"Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies,
it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit."*

John 12:24

Welcome to
St. Paul's Presbyterian Church
WINCHESTER, ON † March 18th, 2018
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5th Sunday in Lent

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Organ Prelude

**PREPARING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS
FOR WORSHIP**

Call to Worship

Musical Call to Worship

I Worship You, Almighty God

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*Hymn:

#445

Open our eyes, Lord

Lenten Liturgy

Anthem

Holy, Holy, Holy (Santo, Santo, Santo)

Responsive Psalm 119

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Gloria Patri:

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be
world without end. Amen.**

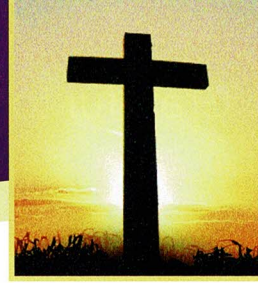
Children's story

*Family Hymn:

#705

Happy the home when God is there

Fifth Sunday in Lent



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One: We are a people of memory and hope.

All: We are filled with laughter and we shout for joy.

One: We live with the assurance that God acts in love.

All: Our mouths are filled with laughter and we shout for joy.

One: God has done great things for us!

All: Our mouths are filled with laughter and we shout for joy.


One: God has refreshed our lives with cool waters.
We have tasted God's salvation.

All: Our mouths are filled with laughter and we shout for joy.

One: Let us pray.

All: O God of hope, you have given us reason to be joyful and to laugh. With the Psalmist we remember and celebrate your faithfulness in the past. With the Prophet Isaiah we rely on the new things you have planned for us. We anticipate a joyous future when those who cry will shout for joy. We remember Jesus and celebrate the new thing made possible for us through Christ and the cross. We praise and adore you, O God, in and through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



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Open my eyes

Open my eyes that I may consider the wonders of your law

I will run the way of your commands; you give freedom
to my heart.

**Teach me the demands of you statutes and I will keep
them to the end.**

Your statutes have become my song in the land of exile.

This has been my blessing, the keeping of your precepts.

Your promise is sweeter to my taste than honey in the
mouth.

**I gain understanding from your precepts and so I hate false
ways.**

Your word is a lamp for my steps and a light for my path.

**Accept, Lord, the homage of my lips and teach me your
decrees.**

The unfolding of your word gives light and teaches the
simple.

**Let my steps be guided by your promise; let no evil rule
me.**

Your promise is tried in the fire, the delight of your
servant.

Your word is founded on truth; your decrees are eternal.



THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Readings:

Hebrews 5:1-10

John 12:20-33

Hymn:

#378

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus in the morning

Sermon

Rev. Kemp

Praising

OUR RESPONSE

Offering

*Doxology & Offertory Prayer

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Greetings and Announcements

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Prayers of the People &
the Lord's Prayer (*debts & debtors*)

Hymn:

#375

Fairest Lord Jesus

Blessing/Benediction

*Choral Benediction:

May the Love of the Lord

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Organ Postlude



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PROVIDING A JOYFUL ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL
TO GROW IN THEIR FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST
THROUGH CREATIVE WORSHIP AND SERVICE
TO OTHERS.

Announcements

March 18th, 2018

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WELCOME!

If you are visiting, please take the time to sign our guest book in the narthex.



ANNUAL MEETING - TODAY!

The **Annual Meeting** will take place right after the service (well, after the potluck) **TODAY**. Don't be shy! The church thrives on input and activity.

COMING UP THIS SPRING

Special Series: February 25 - April 29

Join us as we work our way through the book by J.I. Packer called **On Praying**. Each week's session will be followed by a **Study and Reflection** time on Wednesday afternoon, starting on Wednesday, **February 28th**, from **2-3:30pm** at **St. Paul's**. **Material** for each week's study will be **available at the church**. A time of sharing and prayer will conclude each session.

LENTEN LUNCHESES RETURN

The FINAL Lenten Lunch is back here at St Paul's this coming Wednesday.

March 21st - St. Paul's Presbyterian

CPR REFRESHER COURSE

Looking to update your CPR certificate or wanting to learn CPR for the first time? St. Paul's Ladies Aid is hosting a four hour session Saturday, April 21st, 1-5 pm. Cost is \$40 per person.

Mary Ellen Jeaurond from Ottawa Paramedic Services will be instructor.

Please let Kathy Spruit - 613-898-3169 - know if you are interested in attending.

MAUNDY THURSDAY POTLUCK & SERVICE-

Winchester Everyone is welcome to share a Maundy Thursday Ecumenical Potluck & Service at St. Clare's. Anglican Church on March 29th. Dinner is at 6pm, with the service at 7pm.

OPIOID CRISIS AWARENESS MEETING

An Opioid Crisis Awareness Meeting will be held at Knox Presbyterian Church in Vankleek Hill in the Archie Hardy Hall on Tuesday evening March 27th at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Paul's is seeking volunteers to help organize the Spring Supper for a Tuesday, April 17th, 2018.

Please contact Heather Pemberton at 614-774-3693 before March 24th if you are available to help. The planning meeting is tentatively scheduled for the afternoon of Sunday March 25th.

GOOD FRIDAY

An ecumenical **Good Friday** service will be held at **Winchester United** on Friday, **March 30th** at **11:00am**. Everyone is welcome! Hot cross buns to follow.



WMS SYNODICAL 2018 AGM - Ingleside

The WMS Synodical of Quebec & Eastern Ontario will be holding their annual meeting on Saturday, **April 7th, 2018**, at **St. Matthew's Presbyterian Church** in Ingleside. The guest speaker will be **Glynis Williams**, speaking on "**Why Partnerships? Reflection on Modern Mission**". Registration is at **9:30**, and **lunch** is **\$12**.

Register by **March 25th** by emailing patrish@ncf.ca or call **Pat** at **613-820-3266**

Grateful to Live a Healthy Life

"I am grateful that we can see another way to live a healthy life."

That's what Catalina Velásquez, a nutrition promoter in Guatemala, says about a PWS&D project teaching communities about the importance of eating fresh legumes and vegetables as part of a healthy life.

"We thought processed, packaged and canned products were the best," admits Catalina. "But that is not true."

Catalina is taking what she's learned about nutrition and cultivating local produce and putting it into practice at home. Catalina's youngest son can't wait to eat garden-fresh beans and greens after learning that the protein they contain will help him grow.

In a community where women have little opportunity to move forward, the program is a vital source of empowerment, enabling Catalina and other women to defend their right to improve their lives and the well-being of their children.

This Lenten season faithfully respond to Christ's call to serve those in need. Through support of PWS&D, women are claiming their right to a healthy life.

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God is with us in letting go.

Some things need to die before something new can be born. A seed ceases to be a seed when it becomes a sprout. A mysterious transformation occurs, and the result would make any farmer happy.

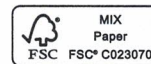
I wonder if the same is true for us? Parts of us need to die: old resentments, destructive habits, griefs to which we cling. Yet the tombs in which we find ourselves are comfortable and familiar. We tend to prefer stability, resisting change at all cost. It's painful to let go of the parts of our lives which keep us cold and buried in the ground.

But what if we did learn to let go? What might happen?


Once a seed dies, there is always new life.

And if you doubt that, just wait until Easter...

The Rev. Hugh Donnelly, Minister at Guildwood Presbyterian Church



Mission trip to Malawi. Photo by Heather Chappell

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