

CALLED TO WORSHIP

Worship Leader: Jack McDonald

Piano Prelude

Be Thou My Vision
- arr. B. Edstrom / M. Hayes

Call to Worship

*During this season of Lent,
let us repair the breach, and heal what is afflicted.*

**Like a hen who gathers her chicks,
let us shelter the weak and nurse the sick.**

*We are called to repair the breach,
to bring wholeness to the heart, mind, body, and soul.*

**So let us serve the One
who restores the lame,
cares for the wounded,
helps the hurt
and gathers us close.
Let us worship God.**



Hymn 310

Bring Many Names

Prayer of Adoration

**Glorious God,
your love reaches beyond the heavens,
your ways are just and true.**

**Grant us hope when we know shadows and despair,
give us energy when we are weary.**

**Wise God,
help us to find a new way when we are lost,
through Christ, Amen.**

Prayer of Confession

Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.

Response to Prayer

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**Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.
Jesus, remember me
when you come into your kingdom.**

Pardon

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.



Time with Children and Youth

Song

Although We Go Our Separate Ways

**Although we go our separate ways
to listen, learn and teach,
keep us together, God, and share
your love with all and each;
your love with all and each;**

The Adventure Centre begins.

**Lent II
March 17, 2019**

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Prayer for Illumination

**Wise God, we seek a way forward when we are lost.
We seek new vision when the way is hard.
Open our hearts and our minds
and our spirits to your Word.
Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening,
Amen.**

The Scriptures

Torah Genesis 15:1-7, 18

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Luke 13:31-35

This is the gospel of the Lord. 573

**I'll love the Lord with all that lies inside me;
I'll love the Lord with body, soul and mind.
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Hymn 665 (v.1 Eng, 2,3 fr, 4 Eng)

Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song

Sermon - *Lost: Jerusalem*

Litany

At times, we feel lost, and the way is unclear.

Lost and found, hide and seek,

O God, you search for us and wait for us.

Even Jesus found himself in the wilderness.

He refused to live only for himself.

Lost and found, hide and seek,

O God, you search for us and wait for us.

Jerusalem was lost to Jesus.

The leadership of entire countries may lose their way.

Lost and found, hide and seek,

O God, you search for us and wait for us.

At times, we lose sight of our purpose,

we don't know what to do next.

*Members of a family may become lost to one another,
estranged and distant.*

Lost and found, hide and seek,

O God, you search for us and wait for us.

We listen for God calling us out of our confusion.

Lord, we are lost without you.

In hope, we do what we can,

longing for the day when we will be found.

O God, you search for us and wait for us.

Grant us your patience and your peace.

PWS&D Moment for Mission

Prayers of the People

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

AN ACT OF THANKSGIVING 4

Invitation

Offertory Jerusalem, Thou that Killest the Prophets
- F. Mendelssohn

Presentation of Gifts

Offertory Hymn 719 (vv.2, 4)

God in Great Love for Us Lent Us This Planet

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Our Father in heaven

Hallowed be your name,

Your kingdom come,

Your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those

who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power

and the glory are yours,

now and forever.

SENT FORTH

Community-in-Action

Hymn 671

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Benediction

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Praying, let us work for peace,

singing, share our joy with all,

working for a world that's new,

faithful when we hear Christ's call.

Piano Postlude

Lord of all Power - arr. J. Vogt

Welcome to St. Columba

We are so very pleased that you are worshipping with us today. We invite you to stay for refreshments (served in the sanctuary following the service) and look forward to meeting you in person.

Large print hymn books and Bibles are available in the foyer. (If you wish a receipt for your financial contribution, please use the envelope inside the back cover of the Book of Praise.)

With Great Appreciation

A huge thank you to all who organized, helped and supported the "Let's Be Irish" event.

PWS&D Offering

During Lent, we are receiving a special offering for PWS&D: Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (please make cheques out to St. Columba, designated to PWS&D). Presbyterian World Service and Development, the relief and development arm of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, has been working for decades to educate and care for families, and to enable them to live more abundantly in Malawi, India and Afghanistan. Offering envelopes are available in the narthex.

Exploring our Stories of Faith

The stories of Christian faith were always meant to be read in community. You are invited to explore, play, and hear them in a new way through study and movement. Exploratory groups will meet on **Wednesdays** for four weeks in the lounge and sanctuary - **March 20, 27 & April 3, 10**. Two groups will meet (exploring the same story on the same day): one during the day (**12:30 - 2**) and one in the evening (**7 - 8:30 pm**). **The first week's story is The Prodigal Son**, Luke 15:11-32. You may attend a single session, or all of them. Speak to Lara if you have questions.

Maywood Luncheon

The next lunch takes place **tomorrow** from **11:15 am - 1:15 pm**. If you can volunteer some time to help with serving/ socializing with the residents at the luncheon, please contact Cynthia Homan at 514-695-5451 or cynthiahoman@gmail.com.

Marché St. Columba Potluck

Wendy and Jennifer would like to invite all who are interested to a Marché St. Columba Celebration & Planning Potluck Supper **tomorrow at 6 pm** at the home of Wendy and Paul (140 Arrowhead Cres., Pte Claire, 514-694-2675). Come along and bring a friend - the more the merrier! Bring a salad, side or dessert (Jennifer and Wendy are each making a main dish). Coffee, tea and tisanes will be provided; feel free to BYOB if you would like some wine, beer or cider with your meal. We are looking forward to getting together with you!

St. Columba Concert: Jazzing it Up!

The Marcel A Trio returns to St. Columba on **Saturday, March 30 at 7:30 pm** for another memorable concert! Come and join us for great jazz renditions of favourite Beatles' songs and film music. A portion of the concert donations will be given to Youth Unlimited LaCorde - Pierrefonds, which offers meals and after-school programs to elementary school students.

Choral Group

Anyone interested in singing with the Choral group for Palm Sunday and Easter (April 14 & 21) should speak with Michael. You can pick up your music this morning. Practices begin next Sunday after worship & coffee time.

Window Marché

Please note that the Window Marché will be open **this Friday from 10:30 am - 1:30 pm**. Come by for some delicious & nutritious food to take home for those busy weeknight meals!

In Need of Two Dressers

The Refugee Committee is looking for 2 dressers for one of our newly arrived families. Speak with Jennifer if you have one to offer.

Coffee & Greeting Rosters

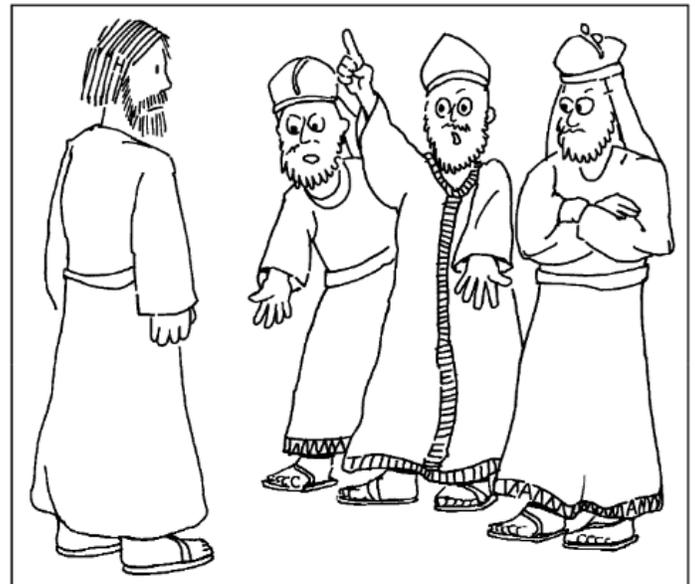
We need your help in filling up our rosters! Please pick a date and add your name to the bulletin board. Contact Laura in the church office if you have any questions.

Kid's Page

Jesus Is Sad about Jerusalem

The religious leaders in Jerusalem warned Jesus that King Herod wanted to take His life. They told Jesus, "Leave this place."

Find these letters in the picture below. LEAVE THIS PLACE



PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY ST. COLUMBA



Dix Mille Villages

a non-profit store committed to providing vital fair income to people around the world by selling their handicrafts and telling their stories. Purchases help to pay for food, education, health care and housing.

Christian Action Chrétienne

an ecumenical project of Pointe-Claire churches helping those with financial needs.

Extra Hands

a group of intellectually challenged adults who work each weekday at St. Columba doing various appropriate tasks.

Family Life Centre

a joint project of 8 United and Presbyterian churches providing referral services, workshops & short-term counselling on issues of family life.

Presbyterian World Service & Development

the development and relief agency of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. In addition to relief and refugee work, PWS&D seeks to transform communities through programs in food security, sustainable livelihoods, health and human rights.

Presbyterians Sharing

the budget of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, a portion of which is used to support projects in Canada, China, Taiwan, Japan, India, Nepal, Nigeria, Malawi, Kenya, Mauritius, Ghana, Romania, Guatemala, Lebanon, Israel/Palestine.

Refugee Action Montréal

a joint mission of the Presbyterian and Anglican churches providing help to refugees and education to the churches.

St. Columba Music Centre

a teaching centre at St. Columba offering lessons in piano, guitar and voice.

Tyndale - St. George's

a joint mission of the Presbyterian and Anglican churches in the Little Burgundy neighbourhood of Montréal, active with community projects.

VOBOC

an organization that empowers Adolescents and Young Adults (AYAs) with cancer to improve health outcomes.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today - Lent II

10 am - Worship

Monday, March 18

11:15 am - 1:15 pm: Maywood Lunch

6 pm - Marché Potluck

Wednesday, March 20

12:30 - 2 pm - Exploring Our Stories of Faith

7 - 8:30 pm - Exploring Our Stories of Faith

Friday, March 22

10h30-13h30: Window Marché

Sunday, March 24 - Lent III

10 am - Worship

11:30 am - Choir Practice

CONGREGATIONAL PURPOSE

God's spirit has anointed us and sent us
to proclaim good news to the poor,
to release the prisoners,
to restore sight to the blind,
to free the oppressed,
to announce that
this is the year when God will act.

Luke 4.18,19 (Isaiah 61.1,2)