

## CALLED TO WORSHIP

Worship Leader: Jennifer Kendall

Piano Prelude

Angel Suite - A. Piazzolla

Call to Worship

*God is present in the darkness before the dawn,  
in the waiting and uncertainty,  
where fear and courage joins hands.  
where conflict and caring link arms.  
God-with-us sits down in our midst  
to share our humanity,  
calling us into community as we learn and serve.*

Hymn

*Come In, Come In and Sit Down*

**Refrain:**

*Come in, come in and sit down,  
you are a part of the family.  
We are lost and we are found,  
and we are a part of the family.*

You know the reason why you came,  
yet no reason can explain,  
so share in the laughter and cry in the pain,  
for we are a part of the family.

**Refrain**

God is with us in this place,  
like a mother's warm embrace.  
We're all forgiven by God's grace,  
for we are a part of the family

**Refrain**

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

**God of wondrous love,  
you have touched us and never left us in despair.  
You call us together to be the church,  
to journey together as a people claimed by the spirit.  
Presence of Belonging,  
we are because you are.  
Guide us and bless us this day.  
Merciful God,  
we admit that we have not always been willing  
to journey with one another, or to reach out in love.  
Free us, and help us to begin again,  
through Christ, Amen.**

Response to Prayer

(sung)

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

Pardon

The Peace

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



## *New Questions of Faith: Belonging*

*June 17, 2018*

Canada Youth 2018 Commissioning

Introduction

*How wonderful it is to be created in the image of God!*

**We are fearfully and wonderfully made,  
beloved children of the Holy One.**

*There is a place here for everyone.*

*No one is turned away.*

**The confident and the timid;  
the excited and the anxious,  
the youth and the adult,  
all of us belong in God's house.**

*Praise God who invites and journeys with us all.*

Questions to the congregation

*Do you affirm the importance of this event  
in the faith journey of these individuals?*

**We do.**

*Do you promise to support them in your prayers,  
now and while they are away?*

**We do.**

*Do you promise to warmly welcome them home  
after Canada Youth 2018,  
and encourage them enthusiastically  
to share their stories?*

**We will.**

Questions to the Participants

Prayer of Commissioning

☉ Rings & Upstairs/Downstairs (see back of hymn books)

The Adventure Centre begins.

## THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

The Scriptures

Epistle 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Luke 8: 40-48

*This is the gospel of the Lord.*

**Glory to God, glory to God, 812**

**glory in the highest.**

**Glory to God, glory to God,**

**Hallelujah, hallelujah!**

Hymn 625

*Seek Ye First*

Sermon *New Questions of Faith - Part 3: Belonging*

Litany

*We come to you as children,  
eager to feel your loving embrace.*

**Teach us to trust, O God,  
as people who belong to you.**

*We come to you as students,  
eager to learn your ways.*

**Teach us to listen, O God,  
as people who belong to you.**

*We come to you as preachers,  
eager to share the stories and love of Jesus Christ.*

**Teach us to speak, O God,  
as people who belong to you.**

*We come to you as workers,  
eager to be your hands and feet.*

**Teach us to act, O God,  
as people who belong to you.**

*Bring us together as your followers,  
that we may find our place here  
to love, learn and reach out.*

**Belonging to the Holy One,  
as part of this church family, we go out to serve.**

## THE WORD MADE VISIBLE

Invitation

Piano Offertory Shooting Stars in Summer - N. Ikeda

Presentation of Gifts

Offertory Hymn 646 *Lead Me, Jesus; I Will Follow*

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

*We pray to the Lord.*

**Lord, hear our prayer.**

**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.**

Report of the 144<sup>th</sup> General Assembly     *Sarah Dupont*

Community-in-Action

Hymn 476     *Amigos de Cristo*

Benediction

**Amen, amen, alleluia, amen.**

**Amen, amen, alleluia, amen.**

Piano Postlude     *Swing Low, Sweet Chariot*  
- Spiritual, *arr. J. Pethel*

### 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.)

## COMMUNITY-IN-ACTION

### With Much Appreciation

Many thanks to Lisa Gloutney for her leadership, time and energy in the Adventure Centre, sharing God's love and the stories of Scripture. Also thanks to Erin Beettam for helping in the AAAC, and to all the youth group leaders for mentoring our youth. Please join us outside for Sundaes following worship.

### Youth Mentoring

In the fall, mentors will be assigned to youth in grades 9 and 10 who would like to explore their faith, and consider joining St. Columba. If you know of a youth who is interested, please speak to Lara.

### Summer Begins!

Lara will be on holidays June 22-26. Our 'Unexpected Journey' reflections begin by members of St Columba.

### Accessibility Update

The accessibility committee is pleased to share that an architect has drawn up initial concept options for improving the accessibility of the building. The committee will be meeting soon to discuss further.

### Children and Youth Coordinator

The search for a Children and Youth Coordinator is in progress! Speak to Tom Gardner or Lara if you have questions.

### Road Construction Update

The sidewalks on the Vincennes side of the church are complete and Vincennes is now open for car traffic from the top to bottom. Please speak to Dave George if you have questions. Thanks for your patience and understanding.

### New FundScrip Promoter Needed

We are looking for someone to act as our FundScrip promotor, succeeding Rose-May, who enthusiastically has brought us this far. The FundScrip process is not onerous and whoever takes on the role will make a positive contribution to St. Columba. Please speak to Rose-May or Ian MacDonald.

### Briarwood Vacation Bible Camp

Briarwood will be holding a vacation bible camp from June 26-29 (Tues-Fri), 8h30-15h30. This year's theme is *Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus*. For more info, contact [stevie@briarwoodpresbyterian.ca](mailto:stevie@briarwoodpresbyterian.ca).

### Summer Worship: Unexpected Journey

This summer, members of St. Columba will share their faith journeys – what brought them to St. Columba, how they have grown and changed, and what helps them to feel connected to our church community, with the Spirit's help.

June 24 – Monique Caissie

July 22 – Rose-May Domond, Mark Kuchiran

July 29 – Jim Goring

Aug 26 – Ian MacDonald

**HAPPY  
FATHER'S  
Day!**

# 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

*a national church fund providing aid for relief and development in the Developing World.*

## 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 encouraging people to "Venture Out Beyond Our Cancer" by giving opportunities for respite from the stress of treatments.*

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Today

10h00 - Worship

11h00 - Ice Cream Sundaes!

### Friday, June 22

10h30-15h00: Window Marché

### Sunday, June 24

10h00 - Summer Worship Begins



## 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)