

St. John's United Church



Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 7, 2019

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*Please note that an asterisk * invites you to stand as you are able
Assistive Listening Systems are available - see ushers*

Welcome

Announcements

Prelude: "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

Tune: St. Christopher

To Praise God

Call to Worship:

Breathe deep! Allow the fragrance of love to entice you.

We can sense a powerful presence among us.

The warmth of our communion vibrates among us – we are One Body together.

And soon we will raise our voices in song, creating harmonies to sustain us on our journey toward the cross.

Come, people of God, breathe deeply and take in the vitality of this moment, and let us cherish it and be glad.

God's extravagance surrounds us. Let us worship and give thanks.

***Hymn:** "Fairest Lord Jesus" #341

Prayer of Approach:

Loving God, you overwhelm us with your generosity. Like Jesus returning to be with his good friends, day after day you return to our presence with comfort and love. In our worship, we seek to honour you; we

seek to cherish your presence in our lives. In our worship, may you encounter our humble thanksgiving. Amen.

To Open the Scriptures

Scripture: John 12: 1-8 NT p.129

***Hymn:** "It Only Takes a Spark" #289

Time to Wonder

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture: Isaiah 43: 16-21 OT p.823
Paul Sharpe

Ministry of Music: "Were You There?"
Spiritual Arr. Lani Smith

Sermon

***Hymn:** "I See a New Heaven" #713

To Respond in Faith

Minute for Mission: *Jean-Jacques Rousseau*

Offering

***Doxology:** MV #188 v1 (on screen)

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

We Return, Strengthened, To Live Our Faith

***Hymn:** "To Show by Touch and Word" #427

Benediction

Choral Blessing: #974

Ushers: Gertie Flay, Tammy and Eric McKenzie

Regional Prayer Cycle: Elgin-Portland PC

Ecumenical Prayer Cycle: Bulgaria, Hungary,
Romania

Lenten donation for House of Lazarus for next Sunday is **peanut butter**.

Announcements

Finance Committee is looking for east 2 people to count the money received from the Sunday morning offering following the church service. This duty is shared with others so people are not required to count every Sunday. Interested persons are to contact Ian Carley or Barbara Rousseau.

Wed. April 10 - Bible study at 10 am. All welcome.

Sunday School - Shoes will be collected each Sunday until Easter. The shoes will be donated to Shoe Bank Canada.

Easter Memorials - We invite you to make a donation to the Memorial Fund to honour the memory of loved one(s). Please contact the office, no later than **April 16**, if you wish to have a memorial listed. Easter donation envelopes are in the pews.

Good Friday - Walk of the Cross will begin at the Christian Reform Church at 10 am. Bus pick up at North Grenville Community Church at 9:30 am and Holy Cross at 9:45 am. **Good Friday Service** is at 7 pm at St. Paul's Presbyterian.

Easter Morning Services:

8am - Easter Communion Service followed by breakfast hosted by Men's Breakfast Group.

10am - Easter Service

Rideau Hill Camp clean-up will take place on April 27th at 9:00 am till late afternoon. Please come out and help the camp. Contact Dale or Kathy at 258-4367.

St. John's Anniversary Dinner and Show - May 4

The show will feature music from Broadway and the movies. **Tickets** are available in the office. Pork Loin Dinner! Adults \$18, Family \$40, Kids 12 and under \$8.

Rideau Hill Camp is in need of an RN or RPN for our Intermediate camp July 7 - 13/19. This is a volunteer position where you provide on-site health care to campers and staff. Please visit www.rideauhillcamp.com or email info@rideauhillcamp.com 613-826-2046 for more information.