



St. John's United Church

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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: "When the Wind of Winter Blows"

Ruth Duck Duet: Debbie Banks & Helen MacGregor

To Praise God

Call to Worship:

Blessed are those who trust in God.

Plant us like a tree by the water. Send our roots toward the stream. Bear fruit in all we do, and make our leaves evergreen.

Delight in God, meditate on God's law day and night.

We praise God's holy name now and always. Come, let us worship.

***Hymn:** "We Praise You, O God" #218

Prayer of Approach:

Fount of Blessings, Blessed One, and Giving Spirit, fill our hearts and this space with the awareness of the gifts of your manifold grace. Help us to see in each person around us the gifts that will heal the world. Create in us a space for sharing our gifts. Connect us to each other and to you, the source of eternal blessing, so that we may bless this world without end. Amen.

To Open the Scriptures

Scripture: Luke 6: 17-26 NT p.78

***Hymn:** "This Is God's Wondrous World" #296

Time to Wonder

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture: Jeremiah 17: 5-10 OT p.879
Patty Patterson

Ministry of Music: "Here I Am, Lord" D. L. Schutte

Sermon

***Hymn:** "Blest Are They" #896

To Respond in Faith

Offering

***Doxology:** MV #191 (on screen)

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

We Return, Strengthened, To Live Our Faith

***Hymn:** "Will Your Anchor Hold" #675

Benediction

Choral Blessing: #973

Ushers: Jennifer Gow, Howard and Jean Hammond

Regional Prayer Cycle: Grace, Gananoque

**World Council of Churches Ecumenical Prayer
Cycle:** France, Germany, Monaco

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Easter Chocolates - Once again we will be making chocolates for Easter. Order forms are available today, February 17th. If you wish to taste a sample or view the contents of each box they will be on display in the dining hall after today's service. All orders need to be submitted to Lorna Carley by March 10th.

Annual Report - Copies of the Annual Report were emailed on Wednesday Feb. 6. If you would like to receive an electronic copy please give your email to Helen in the office. Printed copies are available at the back of the church if needed.

Wed. Feb. 20 - Bible study at 10 am. All welcome.

The Annual General Meeting is on Sunday, **February 24th** after the morning service. Fellowship by choir.

Sat. Feb. 23 - House of Lazarus Ladies Night Out has asked St. John's to supply **12 dozen brownies**. There is a sign up sheet by the kitchen. Please deliver brownies to the church on **Feb 22**.

Book Circle is on **March 18** at 7pm in the lounge. The book is "Two Steps Forward" by Graeme Simsion and Anne Buist.

A Murder Mystery Dinner will be held at St. John's on Saturday **March 23**. Dinner by our awesome Social Committee and Murder by Kemptville Players. Come and help us figure out "Who did it?" Tickets are \$30 and are available at the **church office** and from Finance Committee.

House of Lazarus donations to the food bank are made on the last Sunday of every month. Please put your donations in the two containers at the back of the church.