



March 18, 2018

St. John's United Church

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 18, 2018

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

Welcome

Announcements

Prelude: "Christ, We Do All Adore You "
T. Dubois Arr. H. Hopson

To Praise God

Call to Worship:

God has called us to this place

to worship and rejoice.

God has called us to this place

to learn and know.

God has called us to this place

to be formed and grow.

Let us worship God;

with all our hearts, minds, and souls

we come to worship our God.

***Hymn:** "Breathe On Me, Breath of God" #382

Prayer of Approach:

**Loving God, call our spirits into hearing what
you speak to us this day. May we hear words
of hope and promise. With the law and love on
our hearts, guide us as we live as your people.
Amen.**

Introit: MV #79 (on screen)

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To Open the Scriptures

Scripture: Jeremiah 31: 31-34 OT p.898

***Hymn:** "Deep In Our Hearts" MV#154 (on screen)
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Time to Wonder

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture: John 12: 20-33 NT p.130 Roger Shantz

Ministry of Music: "Sweet Loving Jesus"
The Humming Birds

Sermon

***Hymn:** "How Firm a Foundation" #660

To Respond in Faith

Offering: "Prayer" *The Humming Birds*

***Doxology:** MV #172 vs. 4 (on screen)

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

We Return, Strengthened, To Live Our Faith

***Hymn:** "May the God of Hope" #424

Benediction

Choral Blessing: "Irish Blessing" *The Humming Birds*

Ushers

*Barb Rousseau, Howard Hammond
Ann Campbell, Emile Lajoie*

Announcements

Our sincere sympathy to the Campbell family on the death of Alf Campbell. Also we express sympathy to Ralph and Marilyn Taylor on the death of Ralph's father William. May God bless those who mourn.

Alf Campbell's Memorial Service will be at St. John's on Saturday March 24th at 11 am.

Thank you to The Humming Birds for their special music today. Thanks to Director Louise Atchison and the singers Jane Baird, Paula Henke, Nancy McIntyre and Helen MacGregor.

Today - Do you like GREEN EGGS and HAM?? The Social Committee are hosting a brunch! Free will offering. As well Justine Stroud will be in the hall adopting out her 100+ **stuffies** for a free will donation to send a child, who could not otherwise afford it, to Rideau Hill Camp.

Wed. March 21- Bible Study at 10 am in the lounge.

UCW will be held on **Monday, April 9th** at 1:30 at St. John's. All women of St. John's United Church are invited to attend. Come and enjoy our time together.

House of Lazarus for next Sunday of Lent - peanut butter.

Easter Memorials - Again this year, 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 **March 25**, if you wish to have a memorial listed. Donations may also be put on the offering plate. Easter donation envelopes are in the pews.

Rideau Hill Camp Clean -Up will take place on **April 28nd** at 9:00 am till late afternoon. Enjoy the day, get plenty of exercise and help to prepare our lovely grounds for its summer guests. Lunch will be provided for all volunteers. Please bring a rake and work gloves. Any lunch, drink and snack donations will be greatly appreciated. We hope to see you there at 3560 River Rd, Manotick.

St. John's Anniversary Dinner and Show - May 5
"Love Around the World Variety Show" - featuring talent celebrating Love. Email hmacgregor9@gmail.com to register for participation in the variety show.