# St. John's United Church



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Organist and Choir Director: Larry Wesley

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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**: "Gather Us In" D. Hann (MV #7)

#### To Praise God

Call to Worship - based on Psalm 123 Great and Glorious God, we gather to worship you. We lift our eyes to you, in reverent awe before your majesty.

Generous and Merciful God, we come to worship you.

We lift our eyes to you, giving thanks for your compassion.

Welcoming and Empowering God, we worship you. We lift our eyes to you, and we celebrate your faithfulness. Holy is the Lord our God, and greatly to be praised!

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

Prayer of Approach
Today and every day,
may we build each other up in love.
Today and every day,
may our love for you and each other
strengthen us.
Today and every day,

may our hope in the risen Christ give us the courage to move forward toward Christ's coming reign. Amen.

## To Open the Scriptures

Scripture: Matthew 25: 14-30 NT p.34

\*Hymn: "Jesus Bids Us Shine" #585

**Time to Wonder** 

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11 NT p.250

Winston Kinnaird

Ministry of Music: "Come O Jesus, Holy One"

R.G. Newton

Sermon

\*Hymn: "Take My Life and Let it Be" #506

## To Respond in Faith

#### Offering

\*Doxology: "Grant Us, God the Grace #540 Grant us, God, the grace of giving, with a spirit large and free, that ourselves and all our living we may offer faithfully Reproduced with permission under license #C17014 - LicenSing Online

## **Prayer of Dedication**

**Prayers of the People** 

We Return, Strengthened, To Live Our Faith

\*Hymn: "Lord, You Gave the Great Commission"

**#512** 

**Benediction** 

Choral Blessing: #967

Ushers

Penny and Stan Reid Heather and Harold Nesbitt

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**Today** - Remit #6 Information Session

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The Worship Commission is seeking **volunteers** to operate **sound and audio-visual** system for weekly worship. We are looking to establish a roster of willing individuals. An in-house training session will take place to assist new volunteers. If interested please contact Cathy Little at 613-258-9799.

Wed. Nov. 22- Bible Study at 10 am in the lounge.

**Sat. Nov. 25** - **Holly Tea and Bazaar** from 9am to 2pm. Lots to offer: bake table, silent auction, seasonal crafts, treasure table, door prizes, something for everyone! Join us for morning coffee and a treat or stay for lunch from 11:30 to 1:30 and enjoy some Christmas musical entertainment. To enhance the bazaar, **we need donations** for the treasure table, bake table, dishes, knick knacks and silent auction items.

**Sun. Nov. 26** - Night Train Big Band Concert - This is a fundraiser for The Annual Community Christmas Dinner. The concert is at Winchester United at 2 pm. Free will offering

**Sat. Dec. 2** - **Rideau Hill Camp Paint Night**Fundraiser at St. John's at 7pm. Make a winter scene painting to decorate your home or give as a gift. These paint nights are a fun social evening to spend with friends and learn to paint. Cost is \$30. Call Cassi at 613-203-1835 or rideauhillcamp@gmail.com. Refreshments and desert will be served so please bring a friend or two!

**Sun. Dec. 10** - "Sing We Now for Christmas" a concert presented by the Ottawa Valley Male Choir on Sun. Dec. 10 at 7pm here at St. John's United Church. Tickets are \$10 each. Available from Chris Morgan 613-258-7559 or the **church office**. This is a fund raiser for the church. This will be the last performance at the church under the direction of Beth Vander Meer.