

St. David's United Church
November 10, 2019
Remembrance Sunday



Vision Statement

“Growing and Deepening our Spiritual lives in an Affirming and Inclusive Community”

Welcome to St. David's United Church

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VALUE OF THE MONTH - COMPASSION

Sunday, November 10 2019

Presiding: Peggy McDonagh

We gather as a Christ-infused Community of Faith

SEED FOR MEDITATION

"When I say it's you I like, I'm talking about that part of you that knows that life is far more than anything you can ever see or hear or touch. That deep part of you that allows you to stand for those things without which humankind cannot survive. Love that conquers hate, peace that rises triumphant over war, and justice that proves more powerful than greed."

— Fred Rogers

PRELUDE

*Elegy
In Paradisum*

*George Thalben-Ball
Theodore Dubois*

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY AND GREETING

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

As we light the Christ candle may we fan the flames of love and justice to illuminate the peace we seek to be in our lives and in the world.

ENTRANCE INTO WORSHIP

One: After the wreaths have been laid at the cenotaph,

ALL after the poppies have been taken off the lapels,

One: after the "Last Post" has been played and the band has marched off,

ALL we gather in search of a new way.

One: On this Remembrance Day Sunday

**ALL: we long for a sign of peace, weary are we of violence,
warring nations and religions, and endless hate.**

One: It starts here, it starts now, again,

**ALL: with each thought in our head,
each prayer in our heart,
with each choice we make, each action we take.**

One: Let us seek to open to Divine Love,
for then we can be open to the possibility of peace.

**ALL: Let us gather, let us remember,
let us, with God, seek and follow the way of peace.**

(- adapted from Juanita Austin, Sicamous U.C. B.C.)

HYMN For the Healing of the Nations vs. 1, 2 & 3 VU #678

1 For the healing of the nations,
God, we pray with one accord;
for a just and equal sharing
of the things that earth affords.
To a life of love in action
help us rise and pledge our word.

2 Lead us forward into freedom,
from despair your world release;
that, redeemed from war and hatred,
all may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness
fear will die and hope increase.

3 All that kills abundant living,
let it from the earth be banned:
pride of status, race or schooling,
dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice
may we hallow life's brief span.

To hear the wisdom of God

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY *Lead Me On* Brian A. Schmidt

RECEPTION OF OFFERING AND DEDICATION HYMN VU #538

For the gift of creation, the gift of your love,
and the gift of the Spirit by which we live,
we thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.
May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.

REMEMBRANCE DAY REFLECTION

A time of remembrance and reflection

Introduction

Hymn Let There be Light vs. 1 VU #679

1 Let there be light,
let there be understanding,
let all the nations gather,
let them be face to face;

Remembering

Lighting a candle of Remembrance

ANTHEM *In Flanders Fields* John McCrae/Eleanor Daley

Thanksgiving

Lighting a candle for Thanksgiving

- Hymn** Let There be Light vs. 2 & 3
- 2 open our lips,
open our minds to ponder,
open the door of concord
opening into grace;
- 3 perish the sword,
perish the angry judgement,
perish the bombs and hunger,
perish the fight for gain;

Hope

Lighting a candle for Hope

- Hymn** O Day of Peace vs. 1 VU #682
- O day of peace that dimly shines
through all our prayers and dreams,
guide us to justice, truth, and love,
delivered from our selfish schemes.
May swords of hate fall from our hands
our hearts from envy find release,
tell by God's grace our warring world
shall see Christ's promised reign of peace.

Peace

Lighting a candle for Peace

- Hymn** Put Peace into Each Other's Hands vs. 1 MV #173
- Put peace into each other's hands
and like a treasure hold it
Protect it like a candle flame,
with tenderness enfold it.

To respond...

PRAYERS FOR PEACE ...

A PEACE VERSION OF THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our God who is in us here on earth,
Holy is your name in the hungry
who share their bread and their song.
kingdom come,
a generous land in which confidence and truth reign.
Let us do your will,
Bring a cool breeze for those who sweat.
You are giving us our daily bread
when we manage to get back our lands
or to get a fairer wage.
Forgive us

for keeping silent in the face of injustice
and for burying our dreams.
Don't let us fall into the temptation of
taking up the same arms as the enemy,
but deliver us from evil which disunites us.
And we shall believe in humanity and in life,
And we shall have known your peace-community that is being
shaped forever and ever. Amen.

THE REMEMBRANCE RITUAL

SONG Hector the Hero

WREATH IS BROUGHT FORWARD

THE ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

An older person says:

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them.

Laurence Binyon

A younger person replies

At the going down of the sun

and in the morning,

we will remember them.

All affirm:

All We will remember them.

A bugle sounded to begin and end the day . . . As we listen, let us remember
those on all sides who have died and continue to die in war.

Last Post

Reveille

Eternal rest, grant unto them, O God and may your perpetual light shine
upon them.

May their souls, through your mercy, rest in peace.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

O CANADA

VU #524

O Canada!

Our home and native land!

True patriot love in all of us command.

With glowing hearts we see thee rise,

The True North strong and free!

From far and wide,

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

Gift Card Fundraiser

St. David's is entering into a new Fundraiser Venture with Fundscrip. Fundscrip allows you to purchase gift cards directly through St. David's and have them conveniently delivered to the Church!

How does it work?

1. Grab an order form from the table in the front hall.
2. Fill in the order form to purchase gift cards for popular retailers at face value. Spend \$25 and get a \$25 gift card in return.
3. For each gift card sold, a portion of the proceeds (ranging from 2-10%) come directly to St. David's.

It's really that simple! We get paid for the shopping **that you already do!**

Christmas Campaign

- Order forms are available now on the table in the front hall.
- Use your order form to purchase gift cards to give as Christmas gifts, to donate to our giving tree campaign, or to use for your normal monthly or holiday shopping
- Popular retailers include Real Canadian Superstore, Walmart, Dollarama, Safeway, Petro Canada, Starbucks, Tim Hortons, Staples, Toys R Us, Amazon and many more!
- Hand your completed order form and money into the Church office or at the table set up in the foyer on **Sunday December 1**.
- Your gift cards will arrive for pick up on or before December 15. Lots of time to use them for Holiday shopping or to donate them to the giving tree.

2020 Campaign

- Throughout 2020, we encourage you to get in the habit of ordering gift cards each month to use for your regular weekly shopping.
- You spend the same amount, but St. David's gets to earn money in the process.
- Order forms and money will be collected on **the first Sunday of each month** or can be turned into the Church Office at any time.
- Gift cards can be picked up on the Second Sunday of each month.
- Use your gift cards throughout the month for every day shopping, entertainment, and gifts.

Donations add up quickly!

There are groups who have raised thousands of dollars with this campaign. With your support, we can do that too!

Supporters can generate up to \$30/month **at no additional cost to you!** At just 25 supporters, that is over \$9,000 a year!