

Selby / Empey Hill

Pastoral Charge



January 21, 2018

Selby Pastoral Charge
The United Church of Canada at Selby & Empey Hill
January 21st, 2018

Minister: Rev. Mike Putnam
Music Leader: Marg Winter

We Gather Together

GATHERING SONG: COME PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING

Lighting the Christ Candle

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship (Responsive)

How will we draw close to God today?

Through prayer and request, by giving God our cares.

How will we know Jesus' heart today?

By hearing God's Holy Word, which makes his ways known to us.

How will we be changed by the Spirit of God today?

By coming together in community to worship the Lord of life.

Come, let us worship. Come, let us know our ever-loving God.

Opening Prayer: (Unison)

Ever present God, we have carved out some time in our busy lives to be here today. We come hoping to encounter you in the midst of

your people. May this time of worship encourage us on our journey of life and faith. May it challenge us to see your world anew, and may we leave this place ready to face the world in all its beauty and all its imperfections. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

HYMN FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART: LUYH#762 – ANCIENT WORDS

Theme Time with the Kids

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we confess that we do not trust You fully. We put our hope in worldly gain and in human promises, and find ourselves defeated and lost when things fall apart. And yet, through prayer and your Holy Word, you give us all the help and direction we need to find the abundant life we seek. Forgive us. Call us back to You that we may put our trust in You and not be afraid. In the name of Jesus, who loves us and offers us forgiveness, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

GREAT HYMN OF THE FAITH: CSS#190 – SWEET HOUR OF PRAYER

The Word Among Us

Our Sacred Scripture:

New Testament Reading: Matthew 6:6-13
Epistle Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-17

**Sermon: "Bullseye #1: Aiming to Follow Jesus -
Spiritual Practices"**

Music for Reflection

**THEME HYMN: VU#672 – TAKE TIME TO BE
HOLY**

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offering Hymn (VU#540)

**Grant us, God, the grace of giving,
with a spirit large and free,
that ourselves and all our living
we may offer faithfully.**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

**CLOSING HYMN: VU#356 – SEEK YE FIRST THE
KINGDOM**

Benediction

Choral Blessing

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go
with you each hour of ev'ry day. God now in
faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know God will
guide you in all you do. Amen, Amen, Amen.**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

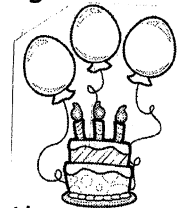
Birthdays

We extend happy birthday wishes to the following
people, who have or are celebrating birthdays:

Jacob Lyons– January 21st

Zachary Doupe – January 24th

Pat Dwyer – January 24th



Happy birthday to you! Happy birthday to you
May God's richest blessings abide upon you.

Office Hours:

Rev. Mike will be in the office Tuesday and Wednesday
9:30-11:30 this week; feel free to call or pop by for
a visit! He will be out visiting and attending meetings
most afternoons. If you or someone you know would
appreciate a visit please contact him directly
(613-539-9324).

Upcoming Special Worship Services:

February 4th – Joint Worship Service at Selby (No service at Empey Hill) at 10:30. Annual Pastoral Charge Meeting and potluck lunch to follow.

Upcoming Meetings:

January 30th – Selby Congregational Annual Meeting – 7:30pm

February 1st – Empey Hill Congregational Annual Meeting – 7:30pm

Bullseye #2 – Worshipping Weekly - Next Sunday's Scripture Readings:

Next week is our second week of the "Bullseye: Aiming to Follow Jesus" sermon series. If you would like to read and consider the scripture passages in advance, they will be:

- Psalm 95
- Hebrews 10:19-25

Reports

Please have your year end reports in as soon as possible so that they can be copied for the annual meetings. There is a folder at the back of each church for these reports. Thanks.

Selby/Empey Hill Men's Club

Will meet on Thursday, January 25th, 7:30 pm at Empey Hill. This will be a planning meeting, so come with your ideas for the coming year.

SMILE

More Getting Older – Thoughts

Kids today don't know how easy they have it.....when I was young, I had to walk 9 feet through shag carpet to change the TV channel.

Remember back when we were kids and every time it was below zero outside they closed the school? Me neither!!

I may not be that funny or athletic or good looking or smart or talented.....I forgot where I was going with this.

I love being a senior....I learn something new every day.....and forget 5 other things I used to know.

A thief broke into my house last night.....he started searching for money.....so I woke up and searched with him.

Senility has been a smooth transition for me.