

*Selby | Empey Hill*  
*Pastoral Charge*



*February 25, 2018*

Selby Pastoral Charge  
The United Church of Canada at Selby & Empey Hill  
February 25th, 2018

**Minister: Rev. Mike Putnam**  
**Selby Music Leader: Andrea Putnam**  
**Empey Hill Music Leader: Marg Winter**

We Gather Together

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**GATHERING SONG: LUYH#537 – OPEN THE EYES  
OF MY HEART LORD**

Lighting the Christ Candle

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship (Responsive)

The season of Lent has begun again.

**In this season we respond to God's love shown  
in the Cross of Jesus.**

How will you open yourself to the power of Easter?

**We approach God in reverence and wonder,  
rejoicing in the invitation to begin again.**

Come, let us worship God, so that we may enter more  
deeply into our relationship with Christ.

**Let us worship God so that we may go out and  
share God's love.**

Opening Prayer: (Unison)

**Gracious God, as we enter the season of Lent  
and turn our eyes toward the cross, we ask that  
we may see clearly the sacrifice you have made**

**for us, and then may we see as clearly the  
sacrifice we must make for others. Awaken us  
to turn, to follow, and to serve in Christ's name,  
Amen.**

**HYMN FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART: LUYH#611 –  
MIGHTY TO SAVE**

Theme Time with the Kids

Prayer of Confession

**As disciples of Jesus Christ, we know that we  
are called to share the good news of the gospel.  
We know that we have been entrusted with the  
light of Christ and we are not to hide it under a  
bushel. And yet, we come up with so many  
reasons why we won't. We don't want to offend,  
we don't want to be pushy, we don't think we  
know enough. And yet, we also know that we  
have something in Jesus that could be a  
blessing for so many people. Forgive us for  
getting in our own way, and enable us to be  
sharers of your light, O Lord. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

**GREAT HYMN OF THE FAITH: VU#343 – I LOVE  
TO TELL THE STORY**

The Word Among Us

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Our Sacred Scriptures:

Mathew 28:16-20

Romans 10:8-15

Sermon: "Bullseye #6: Aiming to Follow Jesus  
- Sharing Christ"

Music for Reflection

**THEME HYMN: VU#330 - JESUS SHALL REIGN**

We Respond to God's Word

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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#420 - GO TO THE WORLD**

Benediction

Choral Blessing

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Office Hours:**

Rev. Mike will be in the office Tuesday to Friday  
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 SERVICES:**

**March 11th** - Rev. Ed McCaig leading worship

**March 25th** - Palm Sunday - Family Service with  
Communion 9:45 am at Selby and 11:15 am at  
Empey Hill.

**March 30th** - Good Friday - Joint Service at Selby  
@ 10:30 am

**April 1st** - Easter Sunday. 9:45 am at Selby and  
11:15 am at Empey Hill.

### **Quebec City Tour**

You are invited to join the folks from Grace United Church, Napanee and Eastminster United Church, Belleville, as they discover the uniqueness of Old Montreal and Quebec City! Travel with your hosts Rev. Frank Hamper and Maritime Travel via luxury coach for two nights in Montreal, and two nights in Quebec City - \$1275 double; \$1675 single. For more details please contact Debbie Morgan, Maritime Travel 613-354-5416 or Frank Hamper 613-920-4010.

### **EMPEY HILL**

#### **U.C.W.**

The U.C.W. will meet on Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 pm. The hostess is Carmel Bell, Phyllis Mastin has the devotions. The program will be a practice for World Day of Prayer. Lunch will be provided by Ruth Russett and Marg Winter (soup and buns) and Bernice Thompson (cake).

#### **Day of Prayer**

The UCW ladies will present the World Day of Prayer service at John M. Parrott Centre on Friday, March 02<sup>nd</sup>, 2:00 pm. The theme is "All God's Creation is very Good" - country of Suriname. Please be at the home by 1:30pm.

### **SELBY**

#### **U.C.W.**

Will meet on Thursday, March 01<sup>st</sup> 7:30 pm. Glenda Hudgins has the worship and Jocelyn Lemon has the program. George Panter from Third Day Worship Centre, Kingston will share some of his ministries from Guatemala to Phillipines.

### **World Day of Prayer**

Will be held at Trinity United Church, Napanee on Friday, March 02<sup>nd</sup> 1:30 pm. Seven local churches are combining to plan and present this service. The theme is "All God's Creation is Very Good" and was written by the people of Suriname, South America. Light refreshments.

### **SMILE**

Dad: I want you to marry a girl of my choice.  
Son: No!  
Dad: The girl is Bill Gates' daughter.  
Son: .....Then Okay

Dad goes to Bill Gates.

Dad: I want your daughter to marry my son.  
Bill Gates: No!  
Dad: My son is the CEO of World Bank.  
Bill Gates: Then okay.

Dad goes to the President of the World Bank.

Dad: I want you to hire my son as your CEO  
President: No!  
Dad: He is the son-in-law of Bill Gates.  
President: The okay.

Now this is getting BUSINESS done!!!!