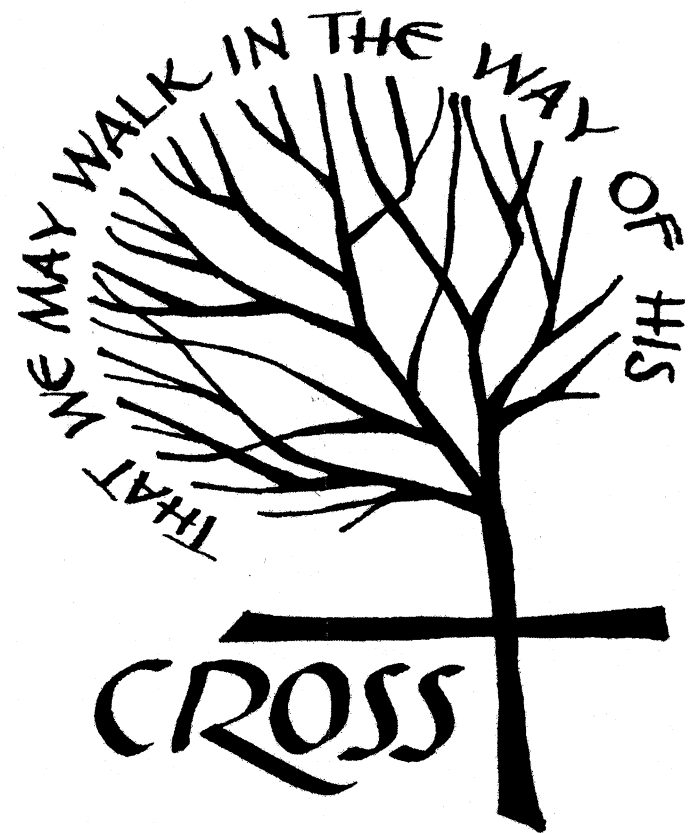


*Selby | Empey Hill
Pastoral Charge*



May 20, 2018

Selby Pastoral Charge
The United Church of Canada at Selby & Empey Hill
May 20th, 2018

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

We Gather Together

GATHERING SONG: MV#156 – DANCE WITH THE SPIRIT

Lighting the Christ Candle

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship (Responsive)

The Holy Spirit is the fire that doesn't destroy but energizes, encourages, and excites!

The Holy Spirit is the wind that lifts us up to heights beyond joy!

The Holy Spirit is the birth that brings us into life with Christ!

The Holy Spirit calls us to testify to God's truth!

Come, let us worship today, welcoming the Holy Spirit into our midst

We are expecting great things from God's power!

Opening Prayer: (Unison)

Holy One, ignite within us a fiery passion for your mission in the world today. Make us present to experience a new birth, and awaken

possibilities within us to share your love in the world. Show us how to use these gifts, as we listen for your truth in the coming of your Spirit this day.

Special Music – Esther Colpitts

HYMN FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART: ALL THE PEOPLE SAY AMEN

Theme Time

Prayer of Confession

Merciful Lord, you have gifted us with the ability to hope, dream and wonder. We are complex people with complex desires, which sometimes we don't even fully understand. But sometimes our hopes and dreams become something more, and then they become a burden for us and for those we love. Help us to be transformed by your Powerful Spirit, so that your dreams become our dreams, and your ways become our ways. This we pray in Christ's Name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

GREAT HYMN OF THE FAITH: LAS#49 – WE ARE ONE IN THE SPIRIT

The Word Among Us

Our Sacred Scripture:

Acts 1:1-8

Message: Baggage Week 1: "Great Expectations"

Music for Reflection

THEME HYMN: LUYH#762 – ANCIENT WORDS

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offering Hymn (LUYH#881)

Use these gifts to lift the lowly.

Use these gifts to raise the humble.

Use these gifts to feed the hungry.

Guide us on your way.

Use these gifts to show the nations what it means to find salvation.

Use these gifts and those who give them.

Make us yours, O God, we pray.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

CLOSING HYMN: VU#242 – LET ALL THINGS NOW LIVING

Benediction

Choral Blessing (VU#423)

**God be with you till we meet again;
loving counsels guide, uphold you,
with a shepherd's care enfold you;
God be with you till we meet again.**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Bernice Thompson – May 23rd

Harold Robinson – May 24th

Chiara Pavone – May 24th

Evelyn Storey – May 26th



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 to Friday
9:30-11:30 am. Please feel free to stop by or call
to make an appointment. If you would like to speak
to Rev. Mike he can be reached on his cell phone at
613-539-9324. His email is
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Upcoming Meetings:

Official Board Meeting – May 23rd at 7:00pm at Selby

Upcoming Worship Services:

Communion Service – June 10th

Father's Day – June 17th (Special Father's Day

Breakfast served at Selby at 9:00 am).

"Baggage" – Letting Go of What's Weighing You Down
– 4-Week Sermon Series

Week 2 - May 27th – Quench Your Thirst –
John 4:1-26

Week 3 - June 3rd – Unpacking Forgiveness –
Ephesians 4:25-27

Week 4 - June 10th – "Come to me" –
Matthew 11:28-30

Smorgasbord Supper

Deseronto United Church is holding a smorgasbord supper at Stover Hall on Saturday, May 26th, 5:30 pm. Tickets are \$15.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children under 10. Call Barbara French 613-396-2919 or Marilyn Cole 613-354-7634

Variety Show

Deseronto U. C. is pleased to be hosting a Variety Show on Saturday, June 02nd beginning at 2:00 p.m. featuring: The Vivacious Quartet, Tracy Brinklow, Robyn Sweet, Siobhan Flynn, Steven Lindsay and "Surprise Celebrities". Freewill offering with refreshments to follow.

SELBY

Ladies Night Out

Thursday, June 07th at 6:00 pm at Ellena's in Napanee. Please let Donna Jackson know by May 31st if you can attend.

Missing Dishes??

There are a number of dishes on the shelf downstairs in the kitchen. If you have brought food to the church and are missing your dish, please check and see if your dishes are there. Thanks.

SMILE

A man named Fred had tickets to game 7 of the Stanley Cup Finals, right at center ice. As Fred sat down, a man came and asked him if anyone was going to occupy the seat next to him.

"No," said Fred, "sit right down. The seat will be empty."

"That's incredible!" said the man. "Who in their right mind would reserve a seat like this for the Stanley Cup and then not use it?"

Fred said, "Well, actually, the seat belongs to me. I was supposed to come with my wife, but she passed away. This is the first Stanley Cup we haven't been to together since we got married nearly 50 years ago."

"Oh... I'm sorry to hear that. That's terrible. But couldn't you find someone else - a friend or relative, or even a neighbor - to take her seat?"

Fred shook his head sadly. "No. They're all at the funeral."