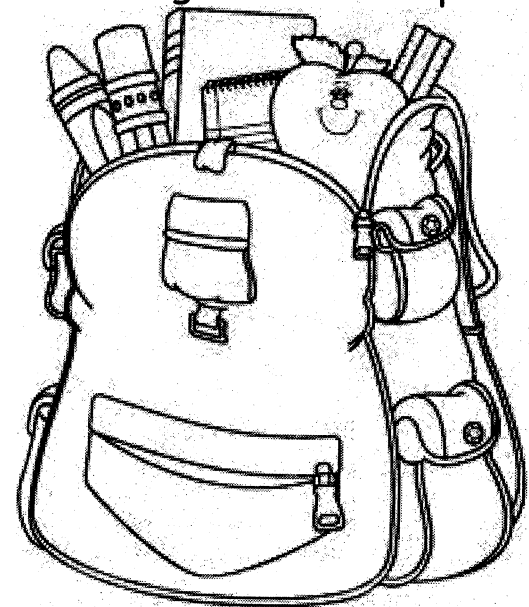


Selby | Empey Hill
Pastoral Charge

Blessing of the Backpack



September 09, 2018

Selby Pastoral Charge
The United Church of Canada at Selby & Empey Hill
September 9th, 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: 10,000 REASONS

Lighting the Christ Candle

Worship Video: A Back to School Prayer

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship (Responsive)

This is the day that the Lord has made!

We will rejoice and be glad in it!

It's not only a new day, but you too are made totally new in Christ.

The old has gone, the new is here!

All of this is from God!

Let us worship our Lord who transforms us in heart, mind and spirit. He is surely worthy of our praise!

Opening Prayer:

Lord, we come this day to worship and thank you for the many ways you have not only guided our lives but transformed them. We ask that our hearts, our ears, and our spirits may be open to

your renewing words of love. In Jesus' Name, we pray. Amen.

**HYMN FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART: MV#26
-YOUR LOVE IS AMAZING**

Theme Time

Blessing of the Backpacks

Prayer of Confession

Patient Father, you have offered us not just a little improvement or a stylish makeover, but you offer us newness in all its possibilities. But if we're honest, we are so often content with the way things are. You offer us the riches of life lived in you, but we can't imagine what it is you are offering us. Open our eyes Lord, and help us to see the remarkable promises offered to us and help us to receive the new life in Christ that you have for us. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

**GREAT HYMN OF THE FAITH: - CSS#236 -
STANDING ON THE PROMISES**

The Word Among Us

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Our Sacred Scriptures:

2 Corinthians 5:16 - 6:2

Sermon: Brand New: New You!

Music for Reflection

THEME HYMN: LAS#38 - THERE IS A REDEEMER

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offering Hymn (VU#537)

**Your work O God, needs many hands to help you everywhere,
and some there are who cannot serve unless our gifts we share.
Because we love you and your work,
our offering now we make:
be pleased to use it as your own,
we ask for Jesus sake.**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

CLOSING HYMN: VU#337 - BLESSED ASSURANCE

Benediction

Choral Blessing (VU#424)

**May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace,
singing, share our joy with all,
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We extend happy birthday wishes to the following people, who have celebrated birthdays over the past week(s) or are celebrating in the upcoming week:

- Cole Miller – September 09th
- Emma Boese – September 09th
- Gabby Cammaart – September 13th
- Warren Boese – September 14th



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 am to 11:30 am. Please feel free to call, drop in or make an appointment. He can be reached on his cell phone at 613-539-9324. His email is pastor.mike.putnam@gmail.com.

Upcoming Worship Services:

September 16th – Anniversary Service - 10:30 am at Selby (no service at Empey Hill this Sunday). Potluck lunch of sandwiches, fruit and sweets following the service.

October 9th – Thanksgiving Family Service – 9:45 am at Selby and 11:15 am at Empey Hill.

October 14th – Empey Hill's Anniversary Service – 10:30 am at Empey Hill (no service at Selby this Sunday). A lunch will be served by the EH UCW following the service.

Ministry & Personnel Committee Meeting

Will meet on Wednesday, September 12th at 1:00 pm in Selby. This is your committee that provides consultation and support as they oversee our relationship with staff of the Pastoral Charge. In other words, if you have any complaints or recommendations as they relate to our staff, please advise one of your representatives before their meeting. Your representatives are John Williams, Margaret Nugent, Shirley Jackson, Sylvia Chadwick, and David Stapley.

Session

The joint session will meet on Thursday, September 13 at 7:00 pm at Empey Hill

Helping COPE Through HOPE

14TH Annual Charity Auction – on Saturday September 22nd at 5:45 pm at the Strathcona Paper Centre. Many items from Africa as well as local business. Help bring HOPE to Uganda, Zambia and Peru. Adults \$7 and children under 12 \$3. Auctioneer Tim Nimigan.

Grace United Church

Will be holding an afternoon of music on Sunday, September 23rd – 2:00 pm featuring Joe Ramsay in concert. The cost is \$10.00 for adults and children 12 and under free. For advance tickets contact the office at Grace. All proceeds to go to Grace United Church.

Annual Gideon Banquet

Will be held on Monday, September 24th 6:30 pm at the Strathcona Paper Centre, Napanee, Roast Beef Dinner. Tickets \$18.00 (may be purchased from Jonathon Moore 613-354-4494, Desmond French 613-354-2384 or any Gideon member. Deadline for ticket sales is September 21st. Guest speaker – Giorgio Gori Vice President Gideon Global Development and Special Music – Phillip, Cody and Jessica Frizzell.

EMPEY HILL

U.C.W.

Will meet on Monday, September 10th at 12:15 pm. Judy McCullough is the hostess; Bernice Thompson has the devotions and Phyllis Mastin the program. Lunch is provided by Leona Tucker (sandwiches) and Carmel Bell (cake). The roll call is a favourite summertime memory.

SELBY

Volunteers

We are looking for people to help with the Sunday morning breakfast program and also coffee time after church. Sign up sheets are on the counter downstairs.

Anniversary

Next Sunday we will celebrate our church's anniversary with Rev. Patsy Henry as our guest speaker. Vince Lasher will be our musical guest. Lunch will be served following the service. North side of the church please provide sandwiches and south side dessert.

SMILE

A teacher asked one of the boys in her class, "Can people predict the future with cards?"

His response is, "My mother can."

The teacher replies in disbelief, "Really?"

The young boy is quick to explain, "Yes, she takes one look at my report card and tells me what will happen when my father gets home."