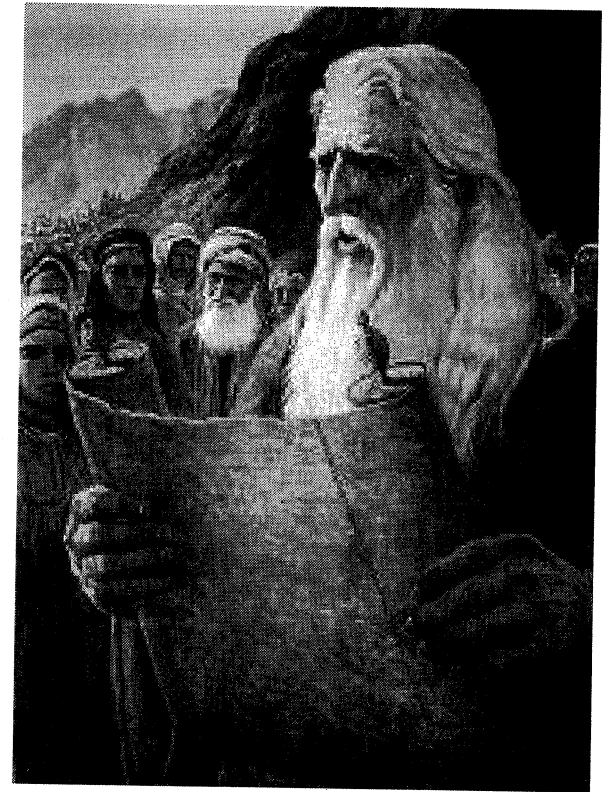


Selby / Empey Hill
Pastoral Charge



March 31, 2019

Selby Pastoral Charge
The United Church of Canada at Selby & Empey Hill
March 31st, 2019

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

We Gather Together

GATHERING SONG: LUYH#559 – TEN THOUSAND REASONS

Lighting the Christ Candle

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsively)

Be glad in God and rejoice!

Everything old has passed away!

Be glad in God and rejoice!

Everything has become new!

Be glad in God and rejoice!

Each and every day we are given a new beginning!

Let us worship God!

Opening Prayer: (Unison)

Loving God, as we worship today, remind us that in Jesus Christ everything has become new. For far too often, things seem as they have always been: old habits die hard, difficult situations linger, we dwell on our failures from the past. We look for your promised newness

but cannot see it. Open our eyes to its presence in our lives. Call us forth to claim this newness, that we may be healed and made whole. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM: "HOLY IS YOUR NAME"

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

Theme Time with the Kids

Prayer of Confession (Based on Psalm 30)

O God, when we keep silence about our sin, we waste away with regret and guilt; we feel your hand upon us, and our strength dries up. And so we acknowledge our sin to you, holding nothing back, for you are a hiding place for us; we trust in you to preserve us. Forgive us and reclaim us, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

GREAT HYMN OF THE FAITH: GLORY TO HIS NAME

The Word Among Us

Our Sacred Scripture:

Exodus 19:1-9

Sermon: Mission Impossible: "God Wants a Holy People"

Music for Reflection

THEME HYMN: LUYH#762 – ANCIENT WORDS

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.**

Prayer of the People and The Lord's Prayer

CLOSING HYMN: LAS#17 - IN THE SWEET BY AND BY

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

We extended happy birthday wishes to the following
people who are celebrating in the upcoming week:

Marg Nugent – March 31st

Tricia Cammaart – April 01st

Rob Chadwick – April 02nd

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 this week from Tuesday
to Friday 9:30 am to 11:30 am. If you or someone
you know would like a visit please call him directly on
his cell (613-539-9324).

Lenten Study Group – Tuesday Evenings at 7:00pm

What made the first-century Christian's message so compelling, so defensible, so irresistible? Pastor Andy Stanley invites you to embrace a version of faith that resulted in the most significant and extensive cultural transformation the world has ever seen.

April 2nd – "The irresistible Ethic"

April 9th – "What love requires"

April 12th – "A new approach"

Upcoming Scripture Readings

Over the next four weeks we will be looking at God's "Mission Impossible." You can follow along as we uncover the Good News of God's redeeming mission for the whole world, which culminates in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

April 7 – God wants something more – Jonah 1:1-16

April 14 – God wants something new – John 3:1-17

April 21 – God's Mission Accomplished – Luke 24:13-35

Egg Cartons

Our Cornerstone kid's group needs your egg cartons! We're doing an Easter activity with the kids on April 10th, and we need 20 egg cartons. If you have some at home, please bring them in!

Pancake Supper

The Selby / Empey Hill Men's Club will be hosting their annual pancake supper on Friday, April 05th 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm at Selby Church. The cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children.

Ministry and Personnel Committee

Will meet on Wednesday, April 10th 1:30 pm at Selby Church.

Grace United Church - Napanee

Are hosting a feast of Syrian Food prepared by Razan Alahmad on Friday, April 12th at 5:00 pm. Razan is the mother of Napanee's Syrian refugee family. Come and enjoy a delicious meal with a variety of traditional Syrian dishes. The cost is adults \$25.00; youth 12- 7 \$10.00 and children 6 and under free. The deadline for tickets is April 06th and are available from Grace United Church 613-354-4373

Spring Tree Sale

Newburgh United Church is holding a spring tree sale – White Pine; Cedar Norway; Spruce Red Oak. All seedlings are \$2.00 and must be pre-ordered. Pickup of orders is Saturday, April 29th from 9:00 am until noon at Newburgh Church. To place an order call 613-354-3153 or 613-876-3569

EMPEY HILL

U.C.W.

Monday, April 08th at 11:30 am the ladies will meet for lunch out at Tammy's Restaurant in Napanee.

SELBY

U.C.W.

Will meet on Thursday, April 04th at 7:00 pm (note time change). Glenda Hudgins has the worship. For the program Tricia Cammaart will be speaking on the Youth Group

Thank You

The Rock would like to thank Gary and Susan Jackson for generously sponsoring our skating party last Sunday.

SMILE

A priest and a rabbi are in a car crash and it's a bad one. Both of their cars are demolished but amazingly neither one of them is hurt. After they crawl out of their cars, the rabbi says, "So you're a priest. That's interesting; I'm a rabbi. Wow, just look at our cars! There's nothing left, but we're unhurt. This must be a sign from God that we should meet and be friends and live together in peace."

The priest replies, "Oh, yes, I agree. It's a miracle that we survived and are here together."

"And here's another miracle," says the rabbi. "My car is destroyed but this bottle of wine didn't break. Surely God wants us to drink the wine and celebrate our good fortune," he says, handing the bottle to the priest.

The priest nods in agreement, opens the wine, drinks half of it, and hands it back to the rabbi.

The rabbi takes it and puts the cap back on.

"Aren't you going to have any?" asks the priest.

"Not right now," says the rabbi. "I think I'll wait until after the police make their report."