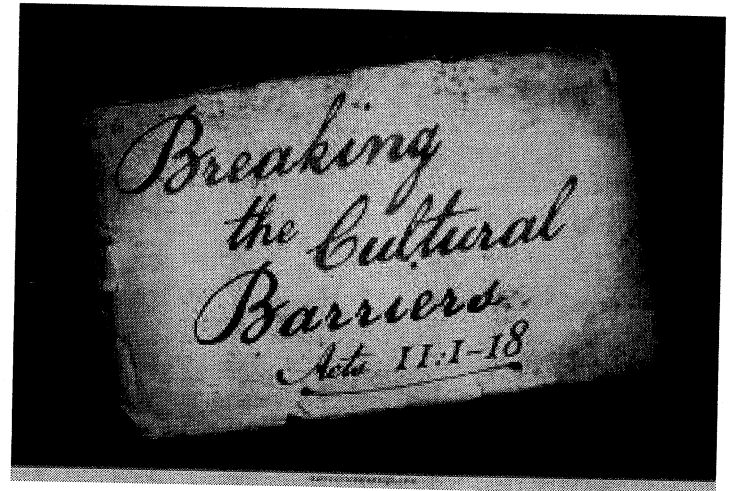


*Selby / Empey Hill
Pastoral Charge*



May 19, 2019

Selby Pastoral Charge
The United Church of Canada at Selby & Empey Hill
May 19th, 2019

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#526 – COME, NOW IS
THE TIME TO WORSHIP**

Lighting the Christ Candle

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsively) (Psalm 99)

Praise the Lord, all you people!

**Praise the Lord, all you men, women, and
children!**

Praise the Lord, all you citizens of God!

Praise the Lord, all you young and old alike!

Praise the Lord, all you creatures!

Praise the Lord, all you creatures of the sea!

Praise the Lord, all you lands!

**Praise the Lord, all you mountains, forests, and
meadows!**

Let everything that is praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord!

Opening Prayer: (Unison)

**O God, who is the beginning and the end, you
make your home with us, you dry our tears and
quench our thirst, you are the tender love that
welcomes all people. Come now and dwell
among us, and make all things new. Amen.**

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

Theme Time with the Kids

Prayer of Confession:

**God of all people, our hearts are too narrow,
our perspectives are too small. We reject those
who are not like us—those with different
political opinions, those who struggle with
mental illness, those who disagree with us. We
forget that all are your beloved children and
neglect your call to love one another. Forgive
us, O God, for the many ways we have failed
to be a people known by our love. Show us how
to be your people. Teach us how to love one
another and make us your faithful disciples.
Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

**GREAT HYMN OF THE FAITH: ON THE WINGS OF
A DOVE**

The Word Among Us

Our Sacred Scripture:

Acts 11:1-18

Sermon: "Borders, Barriers and Identity"

Music for Reflection

THEME HYMN: VU#508 – JUST AS I AM

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offering Hymn (VU#542)

**We give you but your own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is yours alone,
we give it gratefully.**

Prayer of the People and The Lord's Prayer

CLOSING HYMN: GIVE ME OIL IN MY LAMP

Benediction

Choral Blessing

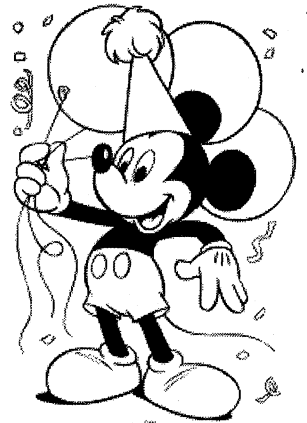
**He Lives! He Lives! He Lives!
I know that my redeemer lives!
He Lives! He Lives!
He lives within my heart. (2x)**

Announcements

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

Annette Uens – May 19th
Andrea Sutton – May 19th
Bernice Thompson – May 23rd
Harold Robinson – May 24th
Chiara Pavone – May 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 to Friday (9:30 am to 11:30 pm). Please feel free to drop by or call ahead for an appointment. Rev. Mike is available for pastoral visits most afternoons. If you or someone you know would like a visit please call him directly on his cell phone (613-539-9324).

Upcoming Worship Services

Sunday June 16th – Father's Day Service – Special Father's Day breakfast at 9:00 am at Selby

Deseronto United Church

Is hosting a Smorgasbord Supper Saturday, May 25th 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm. The cost is \$15.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children 10 and under. Tickets are available by calling the church office at 613-354-4373 or Marilyn Cole at 613-354-7634

SELBY

Property & Finance Committee

Will meet on Tuesday, May 21st at 7:00 pm

The Reasons

A group featuring 50's and 60's music will be in concert at Selby on Sunday, May 26th 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$20.00/person and available from members of the Property & Finance Committee. Proceeds to go toward our basement floor project.

UCW

The executives of the U.C.W.'s will be meeting at Thursday, May 23rd 1:00 pm at Centreville United Church regarding planning for Four Winds. Cheryl Monk is the new president.

Dinner out

The ladies of the UCW will be going out for dinner on Thursday, June 13th 6:00 pm to Ellena's Café in Napanee. If you are interested in going please let Donna Jackson or Jane Hughes know by June 02nd.

SMILE

Each Friday night after work, Bubba would fire up his outdoor grill and cook venison steak. But all of Bubba's neighbors were Catholic, and were forbidden from eating red meat on Friday.

The delicious aroma from the grilled venison steaks was causing such a problem for the Catholic faithful that they finally talked to their priest.

The priest came to visit Bubba and suggested that he become a Catholic.

After several classes and much study, Bubba attended Mass. The priest sprinkled holy water over him and said, "You were born a Baptist and raised a Baptist, but now you are Catholic."

Bubba's neighbors were greatly relieved, until Friday night arrived and the wonderful aroma of grilled venison filled the neighborhood. The priest was called immediately by the neighbors.

As the priest rushed into Bubba's yard, clutching a rosary and prepared to scold him, he stopped and watched in amazement.

There stood Bubba, clutching a small bottle of holly water, which he carefully sprinkled over the grilling meat while chanting, "You wuz born a deer, you wuz raised a deer, but now you are a catfish."

OUR MISSION

**Our purpose is to
come together
as a community
to worship and celebrate
our faith in God,
as seen in Jesus Christ
and the Holy Spirit.**

**In the future
we will grow and change,
but keep our
core value of faith and
our commitment
to supporting each other,
the wider community
and providing
opportunities for people
of all ages
to learn and engage
in Christian fellowship.**