Selby / Empey Hill Pastoral Charge



September 22, 2019

Selby Pastoral Charge The United Church of Canada at Selby & Empey Hill September 22nd, 2019

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

GATHERING SONG: LUYH#567 - HERE I AM TO WORSHIP

Lighting the Christ Candle

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsive)

O God, we come into your courts with praise and thanksgiving!

We come in celebration and song.

We come in gratitude of your inheritance.

We come as those who have received blessing upon blessing.

We hear the cry of the poor in the land, and ache to offer them relief.

We come to bring them blessing upon blessing, in Jesus' name.

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Opening Prayer: (Unison)

Gracious God, we come today from a variety of realities. Where there is woundedness, bring healing. Where there is discouragement, bring support and comfort. Where there is dismay and mourning, bring the power of new life and new opportunities. Heal us, O God, for you are our help and our hope, the One we turn to in times of trouble. In the name of our Great Physician, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Special Music: - Jennifer Thomlison

HYMN FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART: MV#26 – YOUR LOVE IS AMAZING (HALLELUJAH)

Theme Time with the Kids

Prayer of Confession

Lord, we confess that we find your medicine hard to swallow. We'd prefer the quick fixes of this world. But your medicine is powerful. And if we take it, it will remake and renew our lives. It will reorient us to you and to you alone. Turn us toward your love for justice and true worship. Forgive our sins, for which you weep. Forgive our hesitation. Grant us courage to choose you as our physician, and to serve you and you alone. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

GREAT HYMN OF THE FAITH: LAS#19 - COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

The Word Among Us

Our Sacred Scripture:

1 Samuel 17:12-37

Sermon: "Work It: Just Right"

Music for Reflection

THEME HYMN: VU#560 - O MASTER, LET ME

WALK WITH THEE

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.

Prayer of the People and The Lord's Prayer

CLOSING HYMN: VU#468 - LET US TALENTS AND TONGUES EMPLOY

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.

Announcements

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

Joan Jerome – Sept. 22nd Caleb Doupe – Sept. 22nd Jim Jarmin – Sept. 24th Jessica Peeters-Morris– Sept. 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 am to noon. 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 Sermon Series: "Work It"

September 29th – "Slogging it out" – Luke 16:1-15

Upcoming Worship Services:

October 13th – Thanksgiving Service with Communion – 9:45 am at Selby and 11:15 am at Empey Hill.

October 20th – 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 be held this Wednesday, September 25th, 1:30 pm at Selby.

P. A. Day Program

For another session of P. A. Day Program on Friday, September 27th at Grace U.C. in Napanee! Our program is for kids ages 4 to 12 years old. The cost is \$10 per child, and includes snacks and lunch! Drop off can begin at 8:00 a.m. with pick up no later than 5:00 p.m. Please visit our website (www.graceuc.ca) or contact the office (613-354-4373, ext. 1) to register.

Newburgh United Church

Will be holding a concert featuring "Trilogy" on this afternoon. Doors open at 2:00 pm. Free will offering with all proceeds going to outreach locally.

Yard Sale

Hosted by Deseronto United Church on Saturday, September 28th 9:00 am - 2:00 pm. Homemade soup and bread lunch served from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. Freewill offering for lunch. All monies for the work of the church.

Annual Gideon Banquet

Monday September 30th, 2019 at 6:30 pm. Strathcona Paper Centre. Full roast beef dinner with all the trimmings catered by Linda Lain. The cost is \$18.00. Deadline for ticket sales Monday, September 23rd. Tickets may be purchased from Desmond French (613-354-2384) or any Gideon member Special Music by Vocal Legacy and the program will be The Samson Project Documentary.

A History of Canadian Fiddle Music

Hosted by Deseronto United Church with tunes and songs performed by Mary's Merry Minstrels on Saturday, October 19^{th} at 2:00 pm. The cost is adults \$10.00; youth 13-18-\$5.00 and children 12 and under free. Tickets available at the door or by calling 613-354-4373 ext. 1.

Faithful Friends Country Gospel Concert

Will be held at Glenburnie United Church, 1028 Unity Road, on Sunday, October 20^{th} – 2:30 pm. A freewill offering in lieu of admission. Money raised will support the church's benevolence fund. Light refreshments will be served.

SMILE

Teacher: "If I gave you 2 cats and another 2 cats and

another 2, how many would you have?"

Johnny: "Seven."

Teacher: "No, listen carefully... If I gave you two cats, and another two cats and another two, how many

would you have?" Johnny: "Seven."

Teacher: "Let me put it to you differently. If I gave you two apples, and another two apples and another

two, how many would you have?"

Johnny: "Six."

Teacher: "Good. Now if I gave you two cats, and another two cats and another two, how many would you have?"

Johnny: "Seven!"

Teacher: "Johnny, where in the heck do you get seven

from?!"

Johnny: "Because I've already got a cat!"