

*Selby / Empey Hill  
United Churches*



*October 27, 2019*

**Selby Pastoral Charge**  
The United Church of Canada at Selby & Empey Hill  
**Empey Hill Anniversary Sunday**  
October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Minister: Rev. Mike Putnam  
Guest Minister: Rev. Caroline Giesbrecht  
Empey Hill Music Leader: Marg Winter  
Special Music: Vince Lasher

**We Gather Together**

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Gathering Song - **And all the People Said Amen**

Lighting the Christ Candle

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsive)

How good and pleasant it is when we live together in  
Unity;

**Adults and children, parents and teens,  
grandparents and infants;**

It is like laughter at a family reunion where everyone  
celebrates their family ties;

**In family we see yesterday's vision unfolding  
and tomorrow's promise revealed;**

We celebrate at this moment with all people in this  
room, in this nation and in this world.

**We worship now as a Family of God.**

Opening Prayer

**Heavenly Father, our provider, our maker and  
our protector. Your children have gathered to  
worship in your presence and sing your praises.  
Bless us so that we may leave here today with  
your spiritual blessings and allow us to glorify  
your name through Jesus' name. Amen.**

**HYMN FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART - JESUS  
LOVES ME - VU365**

Theme Time with the Kids

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all  
desires known, and from you no secrets hidden.  
We are often quick to doubt and slow to pray.  
We are tempted to let go of faith when we need  
to hang on. We are thankful for the strength  
you give us to trust in you all the days of our  
lives. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

**GREAT HYMN OF THE FAITH -WHAT A FRIEND  
WE HAVE IN JESUS - VU664**

**The Word Among Us**

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Our Sacred Scriptures:

Isaiah 11: 1-6

Sermon

What I've Learned in the Church Nursery

Music for Reflection

**THEME HYMN I'M GONNA LIVE SO GOD CAN USE ME - VU575**

**We Respond to God's Word**

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Invitation to the Offering

Offering Hymn

**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 - I'VE GOT PEACE LIKE A RIVER - VU577**

Choral Blessing

**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:

Foster Cammaat - Oct. 29th  
Willy Perry - Oct. 31st

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 Wednesday 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](mailto:pastor.mike.putnam@gmail.com).

**Faithful Friends Country Gospel Concert**

Will be held at Glenburnie United Church, 1028 Unity Road, this afternoon at 2:30 pm. A freewill offering in lieu of admission. Money raised will support the church's benevolence fund. Light refreshments will be served.

**Seventh Town**

Come hear this acoustic Celtic/Folk Group perform traditional and contemporary folk songs, reels and jigs on Friday, November 08<sup>th</sup> 7 pm - 9 pm at Moscow United Church. Tickets are \$10.00 at the door.

### **Ladies Night**

Sponsored by the Men's Club will be held on Thursday November 28, 2019 starting at 6:00 pm in Selby. The dinner will be catered by Dianna Lloyd followed by a presentation from Duncan & Ruth Hough, on their Iceland Adventure. Everyone is welcome! Admission will be \$20. per person. To confirm your attendance, Selby folks should advise Clarke, and Empey Hill folks should advise Dave.

### **The Men's Club**

Will be arranging a "guys night out" by attending a Belleville Senators hockey game on Wednesday. November 20th. Obviously all guys are welcome and to confirm your ticket(s) at \$21.50 each, please call or email Wayne Chadwick.

### **Photo Directory**

It is time we updated our church photo directory. If you have a photo of your family you want printed in the directory, please email it to the church or put it in an envelope marked accordingly and leave at the back of the church. We also will need your address, phone number and email address. If you do not have a photo and would like one taken, Brian Hudgins will set aside a date and time to take pictures. We are hoping to have all pictures in by December 15<sup>th</sup>.

To facilitate this process, sections of the existing contact & photo sheets have been placed at the entrance to each church. Please refer to these sheets with instructions on how to confirm any changes or additions for your family.

### Selby

#### **Selby Youth Group Fish Fry!**

Back by popular demand, our Mike Mundell's Fish Fry will be held at the Selby Community Hall on Friday **November 15<sup>th</sup>** from 5-7 pm. There'll be delicious crispy fish, homemade coleslaw, french fries, tartar sauce, fresh buns and of course pie! We're hoping to sell as many tickets in advance as possible. Adults \$15, Children (Ages 6-12) \$7.50. See Gary Jackson for tickets! All funds raised go to support the Selby Youth Group!

#### **Spirit of Christmas Bake & Craft Sale**

Is being held on Saturday, November 09<sup>th</sup> at Selby Community Hall from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm. Come, browse, shop, enjoy a cup of coffee and a muffin (\$2.00) or our chili luncheon (\$8.00).

#### **Cookie and Square Tray**

We are doing our cookie trays again this year. Donations of goodies are much appreciated. The trays will be made up on Friday, November 08<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:00 am. Items can be dropped off at the church Thursday evening from 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm or by 9:00 am Friday morning. If anyone is able to help with making the trays up, please let Glenda know.

## SMILE

Roger was visiting the cemetery near Portchester Castle in England and he couldn't help noticing a man kneeling in front of a gravestone, clasping his hands and sobbing. Roger went a bit closer and could hear what the man was saying. 'Why did you have to die?' he was repeating, 'Why did you have to die?'

Feeling he ought to do something to alleviate the man's obvious distress Roger laid his hand on the man's shoulder saying gently, 'Was it someone you loved very much?'

The man looked up at him and said, 'No, I never met him, he was my wife's first husband.'