

*Selby / Empey Hill  
United Churches*



*January 19, 2020*

**Selby Pastoral Charge**  
**The United Church of Canada at Selby & Empey Hill**  
**January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**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#743 – OH GOD, YOU  
ARE MY GOD (STEP BY STEP)**

Lighting the Christ Candle

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you people!

**With shouts of joy we celebrate the good news  
of God's love.**

Open your hearts to the warmth of God's redeeming  
love.

**God has poured such wonder into our lives!**

Come, let us worship God with hearts and souls and  
voices!

**Let our praise ring to the rafters and ascend to  
the heavens!**

Opening Prayer: (Unison)

**For the healing love you have offered to us; for  
the patience you have with us; for your  
presence that will never fail, we give you  
thanks, O Lord. Bring our hearts and spirits to**

**you that we may grow in our love for others. We  
ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

**HYMN FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART: YOUR LOVE  
AWAKENS ME**

Theme Time with the Kids

Prayer of Confession:

**Patient Lord, you know how easy it is for us to  
be dissatisfied. We focus on our challenges as  
though they were the only things that ever  
happened to us, forgetting the many blessings  
that you have given to us and the opportunities  
you give us to serve you. We feel alienated--you  
call us beloved. We feel lost--you seek us. We  
feel broken and battered--your love is a healing  
balm. Forgive us when we forget those things.  
We offer this prayer of confession of our failures  
and gratitude for your blessings. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

**GREAT HYMN OF THE FAITH: LAS#9 – LOVE  
LIFTED ME**

**The Word Among Us**

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Our Sacred Scripture:

1 Corinthians 13:1-3

Sermon: "iDisciple – Part 1"

Music for Reflection

**THEME HYMN – MY LOVE COLOURS OUTSIDE  
THE LINES**

**We Respond to God's Word**

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Minute for Mission

Invitation to the Offering

Offering Hymn

**Grant us, God, the grace of giving,  
with a spirit large and free,  
that ourselves and all our living  
we may offer faithfully.**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

**CLOSING HYMN: VU#567 – WILL YOU COME  
AND FOLLOW ME**

Benediction

Going Out Song

**Lord we say, as we go into all of life's promise,  
That each day we will know You are calling us  
onward. Glory to God, may you hear our prayer,  
Lead us forever. So each day we will know You  
are calling us onward.**

Announcements

We extend happy birthday wishes to the following  
people who are celebrating this coming week:

Scott Chadwick – January 16th  
Linda Donovan – January 17th  
Elsie Dowdle – January 18th



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

**Membership**

Perhaps you're new to our faith community, or  
perhaps you've been hanging out here for a while.  
Either way, we're delighted that you're here! If you'd  
like to make your membership official, now's the  
time! On February 9<sup>th</sup> during worship, we will be  
welcoming new members by either "transfer" from  
another United Church or by "profession of faith."

If you are considering taking this step, please speak  
to Rev. Mike. You may have some questions about  
how the church works, and maybe you'd like to talk a  
bit about faith in general. Either way, we would  
welcome the opportunity to take a step forward  
together!

### **Men's Club**

The Men's Club will meet on Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7:30 pm at Empey Hill Church. Please bring your calendar and ideas as we plan the programs for 2020.

### **Upcoming Meetings:**

**Selby Property and Finance Committee** – Tuesday January 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm

**Selby Annual Congregational Meeting** – Tuesday January 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

**Empey Hill Annual Congregational Meeting** – Thursday January 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

**Pastoral Charge Annual Meeting** – Sunday February 9<sup>th</sup> – following worship (Potluck lunch to follow)

### **Sermon Series – "iDisciple"**

What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus in the 21<sup>st</sup> century? Join us over the next four weeks as we consider this important

January 12<sup>th</sup> – 1 Corinthians 13:1-3

January 19<sup>th</sup> – 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

January 26<sup>th</sup> – 1 Corinthians 13:8b-13

February 2<sup>nd</sup> – John 13:31-35

### **EMPEY HILL**

#### **U.C.W.**

Will meet on Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 pm. Sylvia Chadwick is the hostess and Judy McCullough has the devotions. We will be planning the programs for 2020-2021. The roll call is A New Year's Verse. Lunch will be provided by Leona Tucker (sandwiches) and Marg Winter (cake).

### **Lug-A-Mug**

Please remember to bring your mug for coffee time at Empey Hill following the service.

### **SELBY**

#### **Play Group**

Selby United Church will be hosting a playgroup starting in January. Parents and caregivers join us Tuesdays from 9:30-11:30 for free play, snacks, coffee, tea and songs! Our first playgroup will be Tuesday January 14<sup>th</sup>. We would love some volunteers to help out! Please contact Tricia Cammart or Mallory Wionzek if you can spare some time on Tuesday mornings.

## Announcements

We extend happy birthday wishes to the following people who are celebrating this coming week:

Drew Chadwick – January 20th  
Pat Dwyer – January 24th  
Zachary Doupe – January 24th

Happy birthday to you!  
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Abide upon you.



## **ECORC Update**

Throughout 2019 Ed Caton has been representing the Pastoral Charge during the inaugural meetings of the newly formed East Central Ontario Regional Council (ECORC). In this new organizational structure each church (Community of Faith) is entitled to elect one representative to ECORC. It is recommended that each church confirm their representative at their annual congregational meetings during the last week of January, 2020. A big thank you to Ed for representing us throughout 2019.

## **Annual Reports**

Please hand in your year end reports as soon as they are completed. There is a folder at the back of each church to put them in.



SMILE

Kids today don't know how  
easy they have it. When I was  
young, I had to walk 9 feet  
through shag carpet to change  
the TV channel.