# Selby / Empey Hill United Churches



March 15, 2020

# Selby Pastoral Charge The United Church of Canada at Selby & Empey Hill Pastoral Charge Worship March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**Guest Minister: Rev. Frank Hamper Music Leader: Marg Winter** 

GATHERING SONG: LUYH#526 - COME, NOW IS THE TIME TO WORSHIP

Lighting the Christ Candle

Welcome and Announcements

<u>Call to Worship</u> (Responsive)

O come let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to God with songs and praise.

O Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Creator. For the Lord is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture.

Let us worship, for there is no better place to be.

Opening Prayer: (Unison)

You are our God, and we seek your face. Our souls thirst for your presence, and we long to gather on the banks of your river. When the

land is dry and we find ourselves in the Lenten wilderness, we call for you; we turn to you in worship. For from you will come our living water, from you will come the refreshing streams, from you will come the life we long for, the hope we so desperately need. We pray in your name. Amen

HYMN FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART: MV#138 - MY LOVE COLOURS OUTSIDE THE LINES

Theme Time with the Kids

Prayer of Confession:

O God, Fount of the living waters, we come seeking your forgiveness this day. Too often when we should turn to you in our need, we turn away. Too often when we should reach out to others in their need, we walk away. Too often when we feel that what we have to give is not enough, we hide it away. Forgive us for our neglect of you, of others, of ourselves. Open our hearts to receive your saving love, through the ultimate gift of love, your son, Jesus Christ. Amen

**Assurance of Pardon** 

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

Our Sacred Scripture:

John 4:5-42

Sermon: "Woman of Samaria"

#### Music for Reflection

THEME HYMN - VU 626 I Heard the Voice of Jesus

## 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#575 - I'M GONNA LIVE SO GOD CAN USE ME

**Benediction** 

#### Going Out Song

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.

#### **Announcements**

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

Owen Cammaart – March 16<sup>th</sup> Jeff Cammaart – March 20<sup>th</sup>

Happy birthday to you! Happy birthday to you! May God's richest blessings abide upon you.



#### **Office Hours**

Rev. Mike is away on vacation this week, returning March 22<sup>nd</sup>. If you or someone you know is in need of emergency pastoral care, Rev. Mark Arnill from Trinity United Church is providing coverage. He can be reached at (613) 354-3858.

Church Website – www.selbyunited.ca Every week the bulletin (with announcements) and the sermon (both audio and text format) are posted for your convenience. If you miss a week or are teaching at the Rock, you can keep up with the latest news and sermon series!

### **Upcoming Worship Services:**

March 22<sup>nd</sup> – Celtic Worship with Guest Celtic Musicians "From Away"

**April 5**<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday – Family Service – The story of Palm Sunday and Maundy Thursday brought to life. 9:45 am at Selby and 11:15 am at Empey Hill.

**April 10<sup>th</sup>** – Good Friday – Joint service with Selby, Empey Hill, Newburgh and Centreville United Churches! – Featuring a massed choir! 10:00 am at Selby United Church

**April 12<sup>th</sup>** – Easter Sunday! – 9:45 am at Selby and 11:15 am at Empey Hill.

#### **CELTIC SUNDAY**

Next Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, we are celebrating Celtic Sunday with special music and worship on the theme of Celtic Christianity. Join us, bring a friend and wear something green!



#### Selby / Empey Hill Men's Club

Will meet on Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm at Selby Church. The program will be putting together Golden Lake Camp registration packages.

Please note date and time change.

#### St. Patrick's Day Supper

Deseronto United Church is hosting a stew dinner on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm. A free will offering. The menu includes stew, homemade bread, dessert and tea/coffee. Limited seating. To reserve call Marilyn Cole at 613-354-7634. Musical program to follow.

#### **Mark Your Calendar**

The Selby/Empey Hill Men's Group will be holding their pancake supper on Friday, April 03<sup>rd</sup> at Selby Church from 5pm until 7 pm. The cost is \$10.00 per person; children under 12 - \$5.00. Tickets available at the door.

#### **EMPEY HILL**

#### **Soup and Sandwich Luncheon**

Our monthly soup and sandwich luncheon scheduled for Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup> has been changed to next Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

#### **Property & Finance Committee**

Will meet on Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> 2:30 pm at 2263 Deseronto Road.

#### **Broadview**

Our United Church magazine 'Broadview' (formerly called the Observer) subscriptions are due. The cost is \$25.00 per year. Please contact Sylvia Chadwick at 613-396-5215 to sign up or to renew your subscription.

#### **SELBY**

#### **Property & Finance**

The P & F Committee will meet on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

# **SMILE**

"My memory is gone" exclaimed Mildred, so I changed my password to 'Incorrect'. That way when I log into my computer with the wrong password, the computer will tell me...."Your password in incorrect."

