



St. Mark's Presbyterian Church
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November 17, 2019
Planned Giving/Legacy Sunday

** Please stand for these moments during the service if you are able to.*

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Prelude: Evening Prayer from "Hansel and Gretel" –
Engelbert Humperdinck
Introit: Since Jesus Came into My Heart –
Vv. 1 and 2 sung by the Senior choir

Congregational Chorus: Since Jesus came into my heart (x2)
Floods of joy o'er my soul like the sea billows roll
Since Jesus came into my heart.

I Saw the Rich Ones - Pat Mayberry / Margaret Stubington –
sung by the Intermediate Choir

*Responsive Call to Worship (*based on Psalm 96*)

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;
Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.
Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.
Let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord,
who will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.
Let us join with all creation to praise the Lord! Let us worship God.

Hymn of Praise: Come We That Love The Lord **# 475 Red**

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD'S GRACE

Our Prayer of Confession

God of majesty and mercy,
As people seeking your new heaven and new earth,
we come to you confessing all the ways we have stood in the way of
your new creation.

**You have called us to a life of joy, yet we remain caught up in
traps of anger and mistrust. We hold on to past hurts.**

We forgive all too slowly but expect others to let bygones be bygones.
We forget that all your children are called into your kingdom,
preferring to invite in only those like us.

Forgive us our old ways of thinking and acting.

**Create in us hearts made new by your mercy and love
so that we may bring your joy and delight into the world. Amen.**

Welcome and Announcements

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GOD'S WORD IS PROCLAIMED

*Youth Hymn: I Surrender All

451 Red

Children's Story:

Psalms: 96 Refrain 2

The Scriptures:

2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 (pages 962)

Anthem: Give of your Best to the Master - Howard B. Grose /
Charlotte A. Barnard

Sermon: Blessed to be a Blessing

Hymn of Response: I The Lord Of Sea And Sky

592 Blue

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

The giving of our Gifts in Tithes and Offering: Give Them All to Jesus –
Bob Benson Sr. and Phil Johnson

*Offertory Hymn:

*We bring the sacrifice of praise, Into the house of the Lord.
We bring the sacrifice of praise, Into the house of the Lord.
And we offer up to You, The sacrifices of thanksgiving;
And we offer up to You, The sacrifices of joy. Amen.*

GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSINGS

*Offertory Prayer

*Closing Hymn: Victory In Jesus

526 Red

*Benediction:

*Choral Praise God, Praise God.

Postlude: Take Time to Be Holy -William D.Longstaff/George C. Stebbins

Welcome to St. Mark's

Today is Planned Giving Sunday and the 23rd Sunday after Pentecost. We welcome everyone to this worship service as we give joyful praise to God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We wish for everyone a tremendous blessing as we worship and fellowship together by God's grace. We extend special welcome to anyone who is worshipping with us for the first time.

If you are new to St. Mark's, we pray that your time with us this morning will be a blessing to you, and we invite you to fill in the blue Welcome Card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate so that we have a record of your time with us.

Infants, toddlers, and children are welcome as part of our worship in the sanctuary! Following the first part of the service each Sunday, many of our children and youth go with their teachers to Sunday School. Children who are visiting are invited to join in!

Nursery: The Service can be heard from the Nursery downstairs for the convenience of parents with babies and toddlers

Thank You for Helping with Today's Service:

Greeters: Judy and Les Irvine

Duty Elder: Pat Richards

Sound Technicians: Edward Forsyth & Bryan Pradeepson

Bulletin: Sheba & Anthony Sampras



If you require pastoral services please fill out one of the cards in the pew and place it in the offering plate, contact Rev. Germaine Lovelace at 204-297-3950 or 905-677-4514. His email address is: lovemarlon2000@yahoo.com.

Rev. Lovelace is also available here at the church office every Tuesday – Friday 10:30 am to 4:00 pm.

Upcoming Worship & Church Events



- **Planned Giving Sunday:** Today we observe Planned Giving/Legacy Sunday across the Presbyterian Church in Canada as we thank God for people who have given of their financial resources toward the work of the Church through their wills and endowments. **All are invited to share in a time of fellowship in the Lower Hall following this worship service. We are also seeking volunteers to provide or prepare refreshment for our fellowship time. Please speak with Velda Walkes if you would love to volunteer in this ministry.**

- **Board of Managers:** The Board of Managers will meet in the All-Purpose Room following today's worship service.
- **Bible Study:** All are invited to share in a study on the Epistle to the Ephesians on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. We will meet again on Wednesday November 20th as we, "Put on the whole armour of God," in Ephesians chapter 6. A blessing awaits you.
- **Holly Tea and Bazaar:** All are invited to our annual Holly Tea and Bazaar, hosted by Food Friends, on Saturday November 23, 2019 right here At St Mark's from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Come and get your crafts, baked goodies and see what is available at the "White Elephant Table." You will also have an opportunity to win something from the raffle. Tickets are available: Adults \$ 6.00, Children 10 years and under \$ 4.00.
- **Memorial Service:** We note the passing of Hazel Humeniuk who made her transition into the nearer presence of God on Sunday October 13. A Memorial service will be held for her in March 2020. Please continue to keep her family in your prayers.
- **Need a Lift?** Do you want to attend church but do not have regular transportation to get here? Please speak with Rev. Germaine if you require a ride to get to church on Sundays and we will help you get here.
- **Scriptures Readers:** If you would love to participate in our worship services through reading scripture please write your name on the scripture reading list on the table in the narthex.
- **Music Ministry:** The Senior choir will begin evening practices on Thursday, November 21 at 7:00 p.m.
- Both the Five Alive Singers and the Intermediate choir will rehearse following the service of worship.

If you are interested in volunteering to help with the greeting and welcoming ministry or if you have notices for the bulletin, please talk with the Duty Elder for that Sunday or contact Sam Alfred at 416-258-4435 or sla1302@sympatico.ca (A Duty Elder's list is on the notice board in the narthex.)

Flowers in the sanctuary today were donated by Susan Ramnares in memory of her mother.

A Flower Chart is posted in the Narthex kindly fill in the Sunday or month you would like to donate flowers for the Sanctuary or Contact Cynthia Gooden at 905-673-7246 or Ivy Jones at 416-878-6620

Offering Envelopes: If you need 2020 Offering Envelopes please contact Shirley Sumere @ 905-676-9850 or an Elder.

Website:

Our Technology committee has updated our website. Please visit our website at: <http://stmarksmalton.ca>. Give us your feedback!

Especially in our prayers

“ Please be in prayer for members of our church family who are sick, or who are homebound:

- “ Nashwill Gordon
- “ Lee Younger
- “ Muriel Bennett
- “ Helen Forsyth
- “ Sandra & James Moravek
- “ Edna Hazel
- “ Verna Dockendorff
- “ Sarwar Paul Hussain, (Azar Paul’s Father)
- “ Greg Somar & Joseph Seecharran (Susan Ramneres’ nephew and 1st Cousin who are both recovering from illness)



“ Abhijit Ghosh is recovering well at home after his recent bypass surgery. Abhijit sends thanks to his church family for all the prayers on his behalf.

“ Mr. Devaprasad Martin (Father of Charles Martin who is faithfully going through chemotherapy as he battles cancer)

“ Cordaleen Hinds who had surgery on and is recovering well so far.

“ Members of our church family and community who are facing health issues and mobility challenges.

“ Each week we join millions of Christians who pray for one another. Let us hold in our hearts Christians in parts of Asia & the Middle East, Africa and other parts of the world who are being persecuted because of their faith.

Please also hold these concerns in your prayers, today and throughout the week:

“ For refugee families and individuals seeking shelter and safety, and for all who are working to provide it: May God magnify their efforts.

“ For all discerning the way forward in difficult circumstances, may God’s light lead and guide them forward.

Prayer Chain: If you would like the prayer chain to pray for you or for a particular concern please contact Rev. Germaine Lovelace at 905-677-4514 or stmarkschurchmalton@gmail.com.

Please contact the church office if you would like to hear more about St Mark’s at 905-677-4514 or stmarkschurchmalton@gmail.com

Planned Giving

We are called to live a generous life and to be faithful stewards of the gifts that God has given to us. Over time, generosity becomes a habit—and then a lifestyle.

Planned gifts are one way you can help to ensure the long-term viability of St Mark’s and its ministry.

You don’t have to be rich to leave a gift. A gift of any size, entrusted to God, is a seed that grows.

Planned Gifts

- Are a statement about your faith and life values
- Usually fund long-term mission and ministry
- Often have tax benefits
- Are usually given from accumulated assets rather than current income
- Tend to be larger than gifts given regularly from current income

Planned gifts can be made through:

- Gifts of cash
- Wills and bequests
- Publicly traded securities
- Charitable gift annuities
- Life beneficiary gifts
- Life insurance
- Gifts of residual interest
- Charitable remainder trusts
- Donor advised funds

St Mark’s Financial Update

	2019	Budgeted	variance
Received as of Oct 31	76,965	111,338	-34,373
Disbursed as of Oct 31	112,584	117,617	5,033
Shortfall			-29,340

Excluding building funds .