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> Minister: Rev. Germaine Lovelace Music Director: Jo-Ann Bischoff

June 16, 2019

* Please stand for these moments during the service.

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

Prelude: Flow Gently, Sweet Afton - Robert Burns / James E. Spilman

*Responsive Call to Worship:

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 of praise!

Come, let us bow before the Lord our maker; with humble hearts let us worship God.

The Lord is God and we are the Shepherd's very own flock.

Introit: Oh look and wonder - Psalm 133 / Pablo Sosa, arr. Darryl Nixon Vv. 1, 2 & 3 Senior Choir

Congregational chorus: Oh look and wonder, how good it is! (x2)

Prayer of Praise and Adoration (In Unison)

Holy One, as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we experience you, the blessed Trinity, ever three and ever one. As God the Parent, you bless us with creative hope and new possibility. As God the Son, you open the doors of your realm for us and welcome us into abundant life.

As God the Holy Spirit, your pour your gifts upon us so that we might know your love in deep and transformative ways. We praise you for the many ways you touch our lives and draw us closer to you.

As we gather here in your mystery and majesty, fill us with the vision of your glory, that we may always serve and honour your holy name, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, creating, redeeming and renewing us as one God, ow and forever. Amen.

Prayer of Confession:

Hymn of Praise: All Hail The Power of Jesus Name #363 Blue Book

Welcome and Announcements

A special tribute: The Five Alive Singers

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

A Scottish Ballad: The Intermediate Choir

*Children's Hymn: All Things Bright and Beautiful #435 Blue Book

Children's Story:

Psalm: 113 Refrain # 2

The Scriptures:

First Reading: 1 Peter 4: 7-11 (page 985) Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4: 6-8 (page 968)

Anthem: How Great Thou Art - Stuart K. Hine, arr. Robert J. Hughes

Message: Engaged in the Good Fight

Hymn of Response: The Lord's My Shepherd #11 Blue Book

WE GO OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Offertory: A Scottish medley - Jean Heathcote

*Offertory Hymn: (Hallelujah refrain – Caribbean Traditional)

Halle, halle, halle- lujah! Halle, halle, halle-lujah! Halle, halle, halle-lujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

*Closing Hymn: Eternal Father Strong To Save #325 Blue Book

*Benediction:

*Choral Praise God, Praise God.

Postlude: Scotland the Brave - Marion McClurg

Welcome to St. Mark's

Today is the 2nd Sunday after Pentecost and we welcome everyone to this worship service as we give joyful praise to the God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. 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: Mavis Thomas & Anthony Miller
Duty Elder: Murna Creighton
Sound Technicians: Edward Forsyth & Bryan Pradeepson
Bulletin: Sheba & Anthony Sampras

If you wish 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

• Today is the 2nd Sunday after Pentecost— We share in worship as we give joyful praise to God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We thank God for the gift of salvation and for the gift of the Holy Spirit in our lives and in our church.

 Board of Managers: The Board of Managers will meet following today's worship service.

Music Ministry

The Senior choir will practise on Thursday, September 5 at 1:00 p.m. No practices will be held during July and August.

Following today's service, the youth choirs are asked to meet briefly with Mrs. Bischoff. New members who are joining in September are invited as well.

<u>Church Directory</u>: We are in the process of updating the Church directory which contains the phone numbers and addresses of members of the St Mark's Church family. We are also hoping to include email addresses so we can develop an email database of our members for future communication. *Please fill out the slip of paper in your bulletins and place them in the offering plates or return them to Rev. Germaine.*

<u>Luncheon:</u> On behalf of the Kirk/Session we extend sincere thanks to everyone gave of their time and energy to make last week's luncheon for Pat & Marvin Richards a success. Your support was greatly appreciated.

Bus Trip: The Bus Trip to Port Dover will take place on July 27, 2019. The bus leaves St Mark's at 8:00 a.m. and returns at 6:00 p.m. Cost: \$ 95, children under 12, \$ 45. Cost includes: Bus ticket, cruise and lunch. Reserve your tickets early by contacting Velda at: 905-678-2677.

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.)

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.

Some of the flowers this week were donated by Annette Ramdhanie and some are in honour of Pat & Dick Richards who are two of the only surviving founding members of St Mark's. Today Dick also celebrates his 90th birthday. We give God thanks for their dedication over these many years of worship and witness at St Mark's.

These Days for the months of **July**, **August and September** are in the Narthex at a cost of \$2.25.

Offering Envelopes: If you need 2019 Offering Envelopes please contact Shirley Sumere @ 905-676-9850 or an Elder.

Especially in our prayers

- "Please be in prayer for members of our church family who are sick, or who are homebound:
- " Hazel Humeniuk
- "Nashwill & Advira Gordon
- " Helen Forsyth
- " Edna Hazel
- " Verna Dockendorff
- " Members of our church family who are recovering from surgeries.
- " 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:

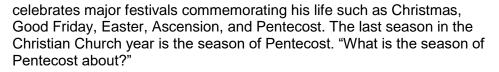
- "For refugee families and individuals seeking shelter and safety, and for all who are working to provide it: May God magnify their efforts.
- "For all discerning the way forward in difficult circumstances, may God's light lead and guide them forward.

Prayer Chain: If you would like the prayer chain to pray for you or for a particular concern please contact Hazel Humeniuk at 905-677-6828 or hazelandwilliamhumeniuk12@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

The Season of Pentecost

Over the last several months, we have learned about some of the seasons in the Christian Church year. These seasons, in addition to the Day of Pentecost, make up the festival half of the church year. During this time, the Christian Church focuses on the life of Jesus and



The season of Pentecost is the longest season in the Christian Church year. It begins the Monday following the Day of Pentecost and lasts until the season of Advent begins. It lasts anywhere between 22 and 27 weeks, depending on when Easter takes place. The season of Pentecost is often referred to as the non-festival half of the church year because during this time the Christian Church does not celebrate a major festival commemorating the life of Jesus. It is also referred to as Ordinary Time. The word "ordinal" simply means counted time.

During the season of Pentecost, the Christian Church focuses on the teachings of Jesus. Christian Churches also celebrate other special festivals such as Mission Sunday, Reformation Sunday, All Saints Day, Reign of Christ, Thanksgiving, and others. The color of the paraments for season of Pentecost is green to symbolize how Christians grow in their faith through God's Word.