

December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent  
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Organ Prelude

Announcements

Lisa MacKenzie

Reader

Donna Lyle

**We Gather Together – Our Approach to God**

Call to Worship

Prayer of Adoration and Approach (The Lord's Prayer)

Hymn # 115                      Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Prayer of Confession

**We Hear God's Word**

O.T. Lesson                      Zephaniah 3:14-20                      (p. 667)

Responsive Reading      Isaiah 12:2-6                      (p. 492)

Hymn #168                      See amid the winter's snow

Lighting of the Third Candle of Advent: The Candle of Joy  
(Lighting Litany led by Todd Gouthro and Dennis MacIntyre  
representing the Board of Managers. Thank you for your  
participation in this part of our worship service.)

**Christ be our light**

**Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we  
turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, light for the  
world to see. Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine  
through the darkness. Christ be our light! Shine in your church  
gathered today.**

**Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope,  
many despair. Your word alone has pow'r to save us.  
Make us your living voice. Christ be our light! Shine in our  
hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ be our light! Shine  
in your church gathered today.**



People, look South and sing today  
Christ's own caravan's on the way.  
Mary and Joseph, Jesus too;  
ran for their lives, in scriptures' view;  
Hiding from Herod's fear and hate.  
Refugee family in Egypt did wait.  
People, look South and sing today  
Christ's own caravan's on the way.

Christmastime's a few weeks away,  
Christians' call is lived ev'ry day;  
love of God, of neighbour like self,  
isn't just something we put on the shelf!  
People, look South and sing today  
Christ's own caravan's on the way.  
Benediction & Choral Amen  
Postlude

**WELCOME** We welcome everyone to our service today and pray that this will be a time of blessing for all. Everyone is invited to a time of fellowship in the hall following the service. On duty this morning are Gwen Shepard, Pat Munroe and Nancy MacDonald.

### **Nursery**

**Today:** Joan Richardson and Heather MacQueen

**Next Sunday** Susan Jessen and Linda Greaves

**Sunday School Shepherd**

Roy MacDonald

**Greeter at the South Door**

Jean MacQueen

**Greeter at the Choir Room Door**

Ben Furey

## **Visiting the Hospital this week**

Duncan MacLeod 564-4306

Walter Letcher 539-0720

## **Readings for next week**

Zephaniah 3:14-20; Isaiah 12:2-6; Philippians 4:4-7; Luke 3:7-18

**Please pick up your Church offering envelopes for 2019 in the church lobby.**

## **To the Current Fund**

- In memory of Mary Mader from Malcolm, Amanda & Brittany Morrison, Dartmouth, NS
- In memory of William Sneddon from Brad & Brenda George
- In memory of Vivian Shaw and William Sneddon from The Shaw family, Ottawa, ON

## **To Camp MacLeod**

- In loving memory of all who passed on and in honor of the many who are still on earth. May we always remember that those who are gone are still with us in the Spirit as the Spirit of Christ is with us always. May the peace of Christ be with us and we with the Spirit. From a friend in Christ the Spirit

## **To the Benevolent Fund**

- In memory of Mary Mader from Eileen MacLean

## **Advance Notice**

Tickets are now available for this fabulous concert on **Friday, December 28<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 p.m. at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Sydney Mines. This year we have a great lineup for you with Bob and Jennifer (Whalen) Quinn with their daughter Kate and husband Matt McIsaac. Also, we have Stewart MacNeil, Lucy MacNeil & daughters Kenna and Amelia and Tony Quinn with his daughter Shannon. That's not all we also have Grant Eisan, MacKenzie and Cameron Clarke. So this is one concert you won't want to miss this Christmas. Tickets are \$28 and are available at Shoppers Drug Mart at the Post office desk, or at Sexton's Pharmasave at the Pharmacy counter or RESERVE YOURS by calling 902-736-2508. That's Friday, December 28th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Sydney Mines.

## **Mission Moments - A learning experience in rural Ontario**

In the book of Acts, the disciples traveled far and wide to share the good news of Christ. Through the Rural and Remote Ministry Grant, seminary students are able to gain ministry experience in a rural and remote congregation during the summer. Emily Webb, a Master of Divinity student, participated in a recent placement opportunity at Knox Presbyterian Church in Bayfield, ON. Through this opportunity, Emily was able to develop skills in leading Sunday worship, preaching and pastoral care. Emily's enthusiasm for mission and worship was a blessing to Knox Bayfield and, in turn, the congregation provided a supporting and encouraging summer placement for Emily.

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