

The United Church of Canada
Bathurst Pastoral Charge
First United Church, Bathurst
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Nov. 4, 2018
Remembrance Sunday

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<u>Lectionary for today</u>	<u>Lectionary for next Sunday</u>
<i>Ruth 1:1-18</i>	<i>Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-25</i>
<i>Psalm 119</i>	<i>Psalm 70</i>
<i>Hebrews 9:11-14</i>	<i>II Thessalonians 4:13-18</i>
<i>Mark 12:28-34</i>	<i>Matthew 25:1-13</i>

*We welcome this morning
the Members and Auxiliary Members of the
Herman J. Good (V.C.) Branch #18
Royal Canadian Legion
who join with us in this time of remembrance.*

THE COMMUNITY REMEMBERS

*The asterisk * identifies those times in the service where the congregation is invited to stand as able.*

Organ Prelude:

***Procession of Flags by the Colour Party:**

'The Maple Leaf Forever'

***O Canada:**

O Canada!
Our home and native land!
True patriot love in all of us command.
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
The True North strong and free!
From far and wide,
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
God keep our land glorious and free!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

***Last Post:**

***Silence:**

***Act of Remembrance:**

Ron Melvin

One: They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them nor do the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
we will remember them.

All: We will remember them.

***Reveille:**

***Depositing the Colours:**

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

One: We light this candle to remember
all those who died in the service of our nation
in time of war.

All: We will remember them.

One: We light this candle because we believe
Jesus is the Light of the world
and his Light shines in the darkness
and the darkness will never put it out.

All: Lord, let your light shine.

In Flanders Fields:

Ron Melvin

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

Welcoming One Another:

One: The Lord be with you!

All: And also with you!

One: Welcome to this time of reflection and remembrance.
Jesus said in John 15 verse 13:
*"Greater love has no one than this:
to lay down one's life for one's friends."*

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you!

**Welcoming Friends Worshipping by CD:
Announcements:**

Call To Worship:

One: In times of trouble and war we called to the Lord,
and the Lord rescued us and gave us peace.

**All: We will proclaim God's faithfulness now
and to all generations.**

One: Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God. (*Mt. 5:9*)

**All: We will share the peace of Christ,
that passes all understanding,
with this and with all generations.**

Prayer of Approach: (in unison)

**Loving God, Compassionate Son, Healing Spirit,
You approach us with such
kindness and tenderness,
You look kindly on us
no matter our state or condition...
Your care for this world and for us
is greater than we could know or imagine
And so in adoration of you
we come and we pause,
we rest from our work and responsibilities
to enjoy you and to seek your peace.**

***Opening Hymn:** *'Draw the Circle Wide'* #145 MV

Refrain:

Draw the circle wide.
Draw it wider still.
Let this be our song,
No one stands alone,
Standing side by side
Draw the circle wide

God the still-point of the circle,
'round whom all creation turns;
nothing lost, but held forever,
in God's gracious arms.

Refrain:

Let our hearts touch far horizons,
so encompass great and small;
let our loving know no borders,
faithful to God's call.

Refrain:

Let the dreams we dream be larger,
than we've ever dreamed before;
let the dream of Christ be in us,
open every door.

Refrain:

Children of All Ages:

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

Prayer for Understanding: (in unison)

**Source of understanding and grace,
In the midst of our distractions,
let us experience stillness.
In the midst of so many voices,
let us hear your word.
In the midst of competing desires,
let us follow your will.
In the name of Jesus our friend,
teacher, and guide,
Amen**

Scripture Readings: Joyce Spence
(Past President Ladies Auxiliary)

New Testament Reading: Hebrews 9:11-14

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 146 #868 VU

Gospel Lesson: Mark 12:28-34

***Hymn:** *'Though I May Speak'* #372 VU

Meditation: "Remembering"

Anthem: *'As the Deer Pants for Water'*

THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS

Presentation of Gifts and Self to God:

Choral Response:

*We bring our gifts to share,
and lift our grateful prayer
That with our faithful care,
Our world will grow.
Through work of minds and hands
in gestures small or grand,
Let willing hearts expand the love You sow.*

*Prayer of Dedication: (in unison)

**O God, you call us to love you
with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength.
We seek to focus on you as our highest priority.
Help us to make lifestyle decisions
based on your commandments.
We, your kingdom-seekers,
offer you this money as a means
of placing you first in our lives.
May these gifts provide
ministries of love and compassion
to our neighbors. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

Mark 12:28-34

Prayer Of Confession: (in unison)

**We confess, O God,
that we do not always follow the way of peace.
We seek revenge when someone hurts us.
We get angry when someone criticizes us.
We put down the people
who don't live up to our expectations.
We are quick to try to solve
our problems with violence.
O God, forgive us and show us the way
of love, forgiveness and peace.
We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,
the Prince of Peace. Amen**

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Choral Response: *'How Deep the Peace'* #95 MV

***How deep the peace, the confidence,
Of those whose wrongs are forgiven.
How deep the peace, the confidence
Of those whose hearts are healed.***

Words of Assurance:

The day is coming where the home of God
will be among mortals.
God will dwell with us and we be God's people.
God will wipe every tear from our eyes,
death will be no more,
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things will have passed away.
Accept the newness you are offered in Christ
and share that promise with others.

Silent Prayer:

Reflective Music:

Pastoral Prayer:

One: Loving God, we come to you with prayers
for the men and women of the armed services
who died in war,
each one remembered by and known to God;
Lord in your mercy, give us peace

All: Hear our prayer

One: for those who are bereaved, distressed,
and filled with grief;
Lord in your mercy, give us peace

All: Hear our prayer

One: for all members of the armed forces
who are serving in conflicts and dangerous places today;
Lord in your mercy, give us peace

All: Hear our prayer

One: for the friends and family
who pray and look for their safe return;
Lord in your mercy, give us peace

All: Hear our prayer

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One: for those who work to keep peace,
and who work for justice and fairness;
Lord in your mercy, give us peace

All: Hear our prayer

One: As we remember and honour what is past,
may we put our trust in you for the future;
for you are the rock and surety of life
and we give you our praise.

All: Amen.

One: Now we pray together with your people
of all time and places in the words that Jesus taught:
Our Father...

THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH

***Closing Hymn:** *'For the Healing of the Nations'* #678 VU

***Commissioning:**

One: Let us go from this place to commit ourselves
to the building up of God's reign in the world through
responsible living, faithful prayer,
and courageous speech.
Will you work for peace in the world
and in your relationships?

All: We will

One: Will you seek healing for the world and its people?

All: We will

One: Will you work for justice?

All: We will

Blessing:

God grant peace to the living,
rest to the dead,
and unity to us all.
And may the blessing of God Almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit
be with you all this day
and always.

***Color Party Receives Flags:**

***God Save the Queen:**

God save our gracious Queen,
Long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen:
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us;
God save the Queen.

***Recessional:**

Organ Postlude:

*We often take for granted
the very things that most
deserve our gratitude.
~Cynthia Ozick~*

The Poppy Crosses
in our sanctuary are placed

in loving memory of:

- Arthur Bond
- Burns Branch
- Tracy Branch & Thomas Scott
- Robert Carmichael
- Cecil Cook
- Sanford Cormier
- Fenton Daley
- Keith Dobson
- Clarence (Nib) & Betty Gammon
- F.F. (Frank) Cameron
- Clinton C. L. Gammon
- Guy and Winifred Hierlihy
- Vivian Howatt
- Cleveland A. Jagoe
- Thomas Jamieson
- B.D.(Bun) & Gerard Keenan
- E.P. (Pete) Boucher
- Garfield Leaman
- Robert Keswick
- Charles Knowles
- James C. (Jim) Knowles
- Robert L. (Bob) Knowles
- Harold A. MacKay
- Jim MacLaggan
- Ernest William O'Donnell
- Max McLean
- Harold Payne
- Hugh & Laura Parrott
- Howard Pettigrew
- C. Norman Scott
- Tom Sullivan
- S. Keith Wilcox
- H.H. (Bud) Williamson
- Ralph Willis

by:

- Dot, Cora and Helen
- Sharon, Beverley, Catherine and Families
- Lester and Shirley
- Joyce and Family
- Gladys J. Chamberlain
- Wayne, Phyllis and Family
- John & Isabel
- The Family
- The Family
- The Family
- Blake, Kathy & Family
- The Family
- Alice & Family
- Joan, Andy, Allan, Peter and their Families
- Pat & Glendon
- Lynn and Family
- Wendy, Stanley & Family
- Joyce, Bill and Family
- Helen and Family
- Jack and Emma
- Isabel and Family
- Jessie Horsley and Family
- Byron & Marion McLean
- The Family
- The Family
- Ina and Family
- Emma & Jack
- Sullivan Family
- The Family
- Mildred, Hayden, Harry, Joan and Families
- Dot, Cora and Helen

Community Events

Dinner Theatre 2018 – Politically Incorrect

Mark your calendar for another great adventure at St. Georges Church! We are back! November 21, 23 at 6pm with a full turkey dinner and November 24 at 12 noon featuring a sandwich luncheon. The evening performances are \$30.00 each and the Saturday show is \$20.00. Tickets go on sale in the church Hall on Tuesday, October 16. Tickets are still available for the Wednesday and Saturday performances.

Family & Community Breakfast

Saturday, November 10, 2018 8:00 – 10:00 am
 Saint George's Church Hall 432 King Avenue

A Remembrance Day Concert will be held on Saturday, Nov. 10th, 2.p.m at Central United Church Hall. The theme of the afternoon is "War or Peace". A variety of entertainers will be taking part. Tickets at the door are \$10.00. Children, 12 and under, free. Come one, come all, for an afternoon of entertainment. Cookies & refreshments will be served at intermission.

The Ladies Auxiliary to Herman J. Good VC Branch 18

Royal Canadian Legion Meal of the Month
 Roast Pork Lemon Dessert – Tea & Coffee
 Sunday November 4, 2018 5 p.m. Tickets \$15.00.
 Take-Outs are available Tickets are available at the Legion office.

The Anglican Parish of New Bandon would like to invite you to join us in worship at 5 PM Christ Church, Clifton. Sunday November 11th for a Service commemorating the 100th armistice. The service will conclude at 6PM with the ringing of the church bell 100 times, **Bells of Peace in collaboration with the Royal Canadian Legion imitative**

Church News

This Week at First United –Nov 5 - Nov. 10

Monday	9-11am	Badminton
	1:30	UCW - Eddy Rm
	6:15	Beavers – Rooms 1,2 &3
Tuesday	2pm	Bible Study – Eddy Rm
	3pm	Office Closed
	6:15	Scouts – DEMH Gym
Wednesday	9am – 12pm	TAB - Rooms 1,2 & 3
	9-11am	Badminton
	6:30	Choir Practice

The bulletin today has been placed
in loving memory of

Charles, Dorothy & Scott Knowles

by Wendy, Stanley & families

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Jim MacLaggan

by Isabel and family

Church Service Time Change:

Sunday, Nov. 11 our service of worship will be held at 9 am.
That will allow any who wish to attend the Remembrance Day ceremony at the KC Irving arena at 11 am.

Peanut Butter for Volunteer Centre

Commitment December 31, 2018 **900**

Total to Date **641**

To meet our obligation, we will need to collect
27-28 jars of peanut butter per week.

The Volunteer Center supplies, on average,
500 households monthly.



The Upper Room for Nov. and Dec. are in the Narthex. Please feel free to take one. A container for donations is located with the publication.

Turkey Harvest Supper

Sponsored by

Kenny's Trucking LTD.

and

Shine House

(A Division of Bathurst Automotive)

Thursday, **November 29, 2018**

Donald Eddy Memorial Hall

Adults \$ 15 – Children (12 and under) \$ 6

5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Takeouts available 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

All tickets sold in advance.

For information call 546-3532



"Bells of Peace" is a project being co-ordinated by The

Royal Canadian Legion, Herman J. Good VC Branch # 18 .This project consists of ringing of bells one hundred times at the setting of the sun on November 11, 2018 in honour of Armistice 100. Join with us at the bell tower outside of First United. The bells will start to be rung at 6pm. Hot chocolate and cookies will be served. We would like to thank the Mullin family for insuring our bell was able to be rung for this event and Beth Sullivan for providing the refreshments.

Notice from the Property Management Team For security reasons, all doors to the sanctuary will be kept locked except the one closest to the office. To enter the church during business hours, please use the St. Patrick Street entrance.

Notice from the Pastoral Care Team: Please notify the church office with regard to congregants requiring hospital or home visits, greeting cards, sympathy cards or other remembrances.

Thank You The members of our Church School for lighting the Christ Candle, Pat Thibideau, Gary Branch, Dave & Cheryl Brewster and Bob & Beth Sullivan for being our greeters and David Cumming & Haines Scott for being the counters for the month of October.

Honor Our Military

*Let's honor our military,
The men and women who serve,
Whose dedication to our country
Does not falter, halt or swerve.*

*Let's respect them for their courage;
They're ready to do what's right
To keep us all safe,
So we can sleep better at night.*

*Let's support and defend our soldiers,
Whose hardships are brutal and cruel,
Whose discipline we can't imagine,
Who follow each order and rule.*

*Here's to those who choose to be warriors
And their helpers good and true;
They're fighting for our values;
They're fighting for me and you.*

By Joanna Fuchs

Hebrews 9:11-14 New International Version (NIV)

The Blood of Christ

¹¹ But when Christ came as high priest of the good things that are now already here,^[a] he went through the greater and more perfect tabernacle that is not made with human hands, that is to say, is not a part of this creation.

¹² He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but he entered the Most Holy Place once for all by his own blood, thus obtaining^[b] eternal redemption.

¹³ The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean.

¹⁴ How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death,^[c] so that we may serve the living God!

Mark 12:28-34 New International Version (NIV)

The Greatest Commandment

²⁸ One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?"

²⁹ "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one.'^[a]

³⁰ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.'^[b]

³¹ The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'^[c] There is no commandment greater than these."

³² "Well said, teacher," the man replied. "You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him.

³³ To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."

³⁴ When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions.