The United Church of Canada Bathurst Pastoral Charge First United Church, Bathurst www.firstunited-bathurst.ca

November 10, 2024

25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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Lectionary for today	Lectionary for next Sunday
Ruth 1:1-18	1 Samuel 1:4-20
Psalm 146	Psalm 16
Hebrews 9:11-14	Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 10-25
Mark 12: 28-34	Mark 13:1-8

We welcome and thank *Linda Knowles MacPherson* for sharing her gift of music with us this morning

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.

Today's bulletins have been placed in loving memory of:

Cleveland & Alice Jagoe and Scott family members (Eldon [Dad], James and Rodney)

from the Jagoe family

&

Husband, **Jim MacLaggan**, cousin, **Ken Shirley**, Uncle, **Jim Archibald** & **Allan Spear** representing the Air Force, Navy and Army, World War II from Isabel MacLaggan & family Also, in loving memory of: **Norman R. Young** 1944-1945 Royal Canadian Navy from wife Edith & family. His father, **Robert M. Young** First World War 1914-1918 brothers – **Robert H. Young** 1942-1945 (RCAF) **Ernest & Arthur Young** (Korean War) & Edith's father, **Thomas A. Knowles** World War I, 1914-1918 & World War II 1940-1945 brothers – **Earl** (Army 1940-1945) **Hewlett** (RCAF), **Gerald** (RCAF), **Russell** (Army)

The asterisk \* identifies those times in the service where you are invited to present yourselves, body, mind, and spirit, as is comfortable for you today...

GATHERING

### **MUSIC AS WE GATHER**

### WELCOME

# \*TERRITORY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (in unison)

As we gather to worship, let's respectfully pause to remember we live and work and worship on lands that are, by law, the unceded territory of the original peoples, the Mi'kmaq. May we live with respect on this land, and live in peace and in friendship with its people.

### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

My own dear land, where'er my footsteps wander, always to you my heart returns again; To you my love grows ever stronger, fonder, Till in its might it is akin to pain. To you I'm bound by love and duty; dear land that gave me birth.

#### \*NATIONAL ANTHEM - "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** [2 minutes]

#### \*ROUSE

#### **\*ACT OF REMEMBRANCE**

Ian Oliver

VU # 524

They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old; age shall not weary them. Nor years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, We will remember them.

#### LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE (in unison)

God refuses to allow the Light to die. Through war and worry, through fear and famine, through death and disaster, the Light of God's Presence is never extinguished. We light this candle to remember that the light shines in the darkness and the darkness cannot extinguish it. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone.

The Christ Candle is lit...

\* **CENTERING FOR WORSHIP** "This is the Day" MV #122

This is the day that God has made; we will rejoice and be glad! This is the day that God has made; we will rejoice and be glad! Singing hal-le-lu, singing hal-le-lu, singing hal-le-lu! We will rejoice and be glad! Singing hal-le-lu! We will rejoice and be glad!

#### **RECOGNITION OF THE POPPY CROSSES**

*In loving memory of:* WW II North Shore Regiment Veterans Burns Branch

Tracy Branch & Thomas Scott Robert Carmichael Sanford Cormier Fenton Daley Keith Dobson Clarence (Nib) & Betty Gammon, & F.F. (Frank) Cameron Clinton C. L. Gammon Clinton C. L. Gammon Guy & Winifred Hierlihy Vivian Howatt Cleveland A. Jagoe Robert L. (Bob) Knowles Harold A. MacKay Placed by:

North Shore Regiment Association Sharon, Beverley, Catherine & families Lester & Shirley Bill, Linda & family Wayne, Phyllis & family John & Isabel The family The family The family His grandchildren Blake, Kathy & family The family The family Helen & family

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Jack & Emma

# George Watt & Lorne Fraser Charles Knowles Harold Payne James C. (Jim) Knowles Robert Keswick McLaren Keswick Walter T. Fournier Clair Gosnell Duncan Gosnell Thomas Jamieson Everard MacLean Patrick McLaughlin & Austin Wiseman Alansan K. Schryer Thomas Scott Burnham Logan

**Deceased Family Members** 

Percy Scott

In loving memory of:

Hugh & Laura Parrott

James Stanton Vibert

Sprague Wiseman

Norman R. Young

Howard Pettigrew

C. Norman Scott

Tom Sullivan

Rodney Scott

Jim MacLaggan & Ken Shirley

Placed by: Isabel & family The family Ina & family Emma & Jack Sullivan family Randy & Holly Vibert & family The family Elna & family Edith & family Neal & Jini Palmer Wendy, Stanley & families The family Joyce, Bill & families Lynn & family Lynn & family Daughter, Helené Ron, Peggy & family Ron, Peggy & family Joan, Andy, Allan, Peter & their families Archie Fowlie & family Patrick, Jill & family Schryer family The family Karen, Don & family

Daughters, Dawn, Brenda

Michael & Anne Marie

Unknown Soldier Leonard Imbeault John A Watling - WW II Ed, Sandra, Jeff & Meaghan H. H. (Bud) Williamson Harry, Joan & family Leigh & Thomas Wiseman The family Bruce Harvey & George Edward Earnest Brooks & family Brooks SGT Emile Frenette Denise Ross Winston Knowles Wanda Miller Donald J. McLean The family Bernard (Bun) Keenan Patricia MacIntosh Donald Murray Linda Knowles MacPherson **IN FLANDERS FIELDS** \*GATHERING HYMN – "Be Still, My Soul" **PRAYER OF HUMILITY** (in unison) God of the living and the dead, those who have gone before us, those who surround us, and those who will come after us, give us courage to confront evil, challenge hatred and search of solutions that bring about a just peace between nations, between groups, and between friends. May right relationships be nurtured and friendships formed, for Your Glory and for our good, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

In loving memory of:

Alcide & Hector Roy

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND FORGIVENESS

& Ellen

Ramsay

Placed by:

Rose Marie David

Sherry Mitton

VU #652

MV #101

VU #585

Jesus, you fill our hearts with your love, our minds with your peace, and our lives with your joy.

#### SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

.... Peace be with you.

#### And also with you.

#### SHARING A STORY (with those of all ages)

In peace, dear God, I come to You through Jesus Christ who makes me new And while I run or play or rest be with those whom I love best, guide me in your Holy Way, as You walk with me each day, Amen.

#### \*SINGING A SONG – "Jesus Bids Us Shine"

Jesus bids us shine with a pure, clear light, Like a little candle burning in the night. In this world of darkness, so let us shine You in your small corner, and I in mine.

Jesus bids us shine, first of all for him; well he sees and knows it if our light grows dim: Jesus walks beside us to help us shine, you in your small corner, and I in mine.

Jesus bids us shine, then, for all around; many kinds of darkness in the world are found: sin, and want and sorrow; so we must shine, you in your small corner, and I in mine.

#### ENGAGING

#### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** (in unison)

Help us hear what is not read, Help us hear what is not said, Help us hear your Voice today, Echo in this place we pray. Amen.

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Linda Young

Mark 13: 1-8

#### REFLECTION

#### **MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION**

**GIFT OF MUSIC** – "Brighten the Corner Where You Are!"

RESPONDING

YOUR GENEROSITY MATTERS (formerly Minute for Mission) Ronalds Family

#### **INVITATION TO MAKE AN OFFERING**

\*OFFERING HYMN – "These Gifts We Bring"

These gifts we bring with grateful hearts, to reconcile, make new. Gather us in grace, show us the way, to live our lives in Truth to share Your love in all we do.

#### **\* THE OFFERING IS BROUGHT FORWARD**

\*OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)

We present to You our gifts of time, treasure, and talents. Together use them and us for You Glory and the good of others, in Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.

#### **COMMUNAL PRAYERS**

Pastoral Prayers for each other, for our city, for our world, for the Church Universal and for our own needs and concerns.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER - NOTRE PÈRE

GOING OUT

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CLOSING HYMN - "O for a World"

VU#697

O for a world where everyone respects each other's ways, where love is lived and all is done with justice and with praise.

O for a world where goods are shared and misery relieved, where truth is spoken, children spared, equality achieved.

We welcome one world family and struggle with each choice that opens us to unity and gives our vision voice.

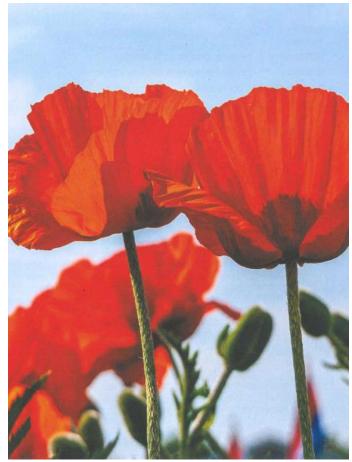
The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the foolish ones are wise. Tell all who mourn: outcasts belong, who perishes will rise.

O for a world preparing for God's glorious reign of peace, where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease. The Christ Candle is extinguished.

#### \*GOD SAVE OUR GRACIOUS KING"

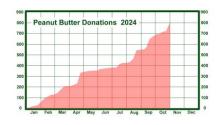
God save our gracious King, Long live our noble King, God save the King: Send him victorious, happy and glorious, Long to reign over us; God save the King.

#### POSTLUDE



# Church News

This Week at First United Church				
Offi	ce Hours: 9:00 AM t	to 3:00 PM Monday to Friday		
The office will be closed on Monday, Remembrance Day				
Tuesday	1:00 – 3:00 PM	Knitting Group - RMR		
Wednesday	9:00 – 11:00 AM	Badminton – DEMH Gym		
	6:30 PM	Choir Practice		
	7:00 PM	Christmas Choir Practice		
Saturday	8:00 AM-1:00 PM	Bathurst Community Market		



**Peanut Butter** – Once again this year we have set a goal of 900 jars of peanut butter to donate to the Bathurst Volunteer Center. Up to November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 we have collected 837 jars. We will be purchasing an additional 100+ jars with the next sale.

# If you are aware of **anyone in the hospital or needing a visit**,

please let the office know (506-546-3532) and the message will be forwarded to the Pastoral Care Team.

# Sunday, December 1st at 2 PM - Christmas Hymn Sing



The choirs of First United Church in Bathurst and Central United Church in Clifton will once again be offering an afternoon of Christmas music on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent! A reception will follow. Tickets now available from choir members. \$10 per ticket.

# Mark your calendars, tell your friends & family to come and join us for this musical event!

**Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> is called Children's Sunday**. Cindy Doucet will be leading us in worship that day. We are encouraging families and children to gather for this special Sunday celebration.

**Ways and Means Team meeting** is scheduled for Monday, **November 18**<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM in the Ruth Morrison Room.

# Church News

Notice is hereby provided of a **Congregational Meeting** which has been called for **Sunday November 17, 2024 immediately following the morning service.** The purpose of this meeting is to receive the final report and recommendations of the First United Search Committee. This meeting will not take very long so if you have plans (Scottish Feast of Saint Andrew) you will not be late for the event.

#### Turkey Supper will be held on Thursday, November 21st

Take out will be from 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM Eat in will be from 4:30 PM to 6:00 PM Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$6 for children. As there are a limited number of tickets, they will be sold on a first come-first served basis. Please contact a member of the *Ways & Means Team* or drop by the church office from 9 AM to 3 PM Monday to Friday.

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#### HELP!

- When the Peanut Butter project was initiated, 900 jars was sufficient for an annual quota but the number of needy families has increased so that the quota gets used in 4-5 months. Thus, we encourage donors to continue donating peanut butter as able.
- Extra requests for food has caused our pantry to be in need ..... most required items include cereals, soup & luncheon meat, along with products suitable for the homeless.
- As we prepare for White Gift Sunday & envelopes for monetary donations, the Volunteer Center is preparing for Christmas giving too. Their most needed items include canned milk, Kraft dinner, pasta & sauces, along with canned beans.

#### Thank you from your Community Outreach Team

# Community News

The Anglican Parish of New Bandon is holding its annual **Christmas Craft & Bake Sale** on **Saturday, November 16, 2024.** It will be held at Christ Church Hall in Clifton from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM. A continental style breakfast will be served with tea and coffee at a cost of \$10 per person. We hope you can join us once again for this event.

The Annual **Scottish Feast of Saint Andrew** will be held on **Sunday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 PM** at Gowan Brae Golf and Country Club. The afternoon event will include a roast beef dinner, entertainment and prizes. <u>Everyone is welcome!!</u> Call Isabel MacLaggan (506-546-5521) for tickets or more information.



#### SHRINERS - Give help and hope for kids

Shriners are a brotherhood of men committed to family, engaged into ongoing personal growth, and dedicated to providing care for children and families in need. Our backgrounds and interests are diverse, but we are bound together by our shared values and a desire to have fun, do good and build relationships that can last a lifetime.

Once again, this year you can help the Shriners with their fundraiser. Purchase a calendar for \$20 and have a chance to win prizes every day of the year. The fruitcakes are delicious and you can get a box of three for \$25. All the money from this fundraiser goes to help the children in our area. Contact Harvey Spence at 506-546-2742 for reservation.

Saturday November 16<sup>th</sup> <u>St. Lukes Presbyterian Church</u>, 395 Murray Avenue, will hold it's annual *"All Things Christmas" Bazaar and Soup and Biscuit Lunch*" 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Free admission - Free will offering. In addition to lunch, Bazaar includes sale of a wide array of Christmas decorations, ornaments, gifts, cards, music etc.

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

# MARK 13:1-8

# The Destruction of the Temple Foretold

**1** As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!"

**2** Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

**3** When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately,

**4** "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?"

**5** Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray.

**6** Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he! and they will lead many astray.

**7** When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come.

**8** For nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.