

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Stratford

Minister: The Rev. Mark Wolfe Music Director: Earl Clark

Sunday, January 19, 2020- 10:30 am

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

WE APPROACH GOD

Prelude : "When in Our Music God is Glorified"
Utterbach

Welcoming and Sharing (10:25 am)

***Entry of The Word** (please rise)

***Call to Worship:**

Leader: Worship God, who is ready to speak to us.
Open your lives to God's steadfast love.

All: We are disciples of Jesus Christ.

We have been commissioned and blessed.

Leader: Trust in God at all times and in all places.
Pour out your heart to the One who hears.

All: We will trust in God at all times.

We will speak God's truth in love.

Leader: The reign of God is drawing near to us.
It can be realized in our lives here and now.

All: We accept God's rule amongst us.

We will follow Christ when he calls us.

***Hymn # 290:** "Immortal, invisible, God only wise"

Prayer of Adoration and Confession:

These things we pray through him who taught us to pray
saying...

The Lord's Prayer (Trespases)

Assurance of Pardon

The Passing of the Peace

***Hymn # 753:** "You walk along our shoreline"

Children's Message:

Anthem: "Psalm 126 (when the Lord Restored the Fortunes
of Zion)

N. Fairbanks

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Stewardship Thought for today:

Self-care is never a selfish act - it is only good stewardship of
the only gift I have, the gift I was put on earth to offer others.
Parker J. Palmer (1939 -), writer, speaker, activist

This Week at St. Andrew's

Monday, Jan. 27	9:30 am Flower Guild
Wednesday	5:30 pm Community Meals
Thursday	7:00 p.m. Choir
Sunday	10:25 am Announcements
	10:30 am Worship
	Coffee Time: <i>Hosted by Foundation</i>

The **Easy Worship** screens are not working this week. We had
to order new cords and unfortunately they will not arrive until
next week.

Please submit written and financial reports required for
the Annual Report by January 26.
Thank You.

Knox is hosting a Spaghetti dinner, February 7 from
5:30—7:00pm to fundraise for **Knox cancer/Wig Room**. The
Cancer Care Mission/Wig Room offers a selection of wigs, hats
and scarves for cancer patients. Tickets are Adults \$15, Chil-
dren 6-10 \$5, and Children 5 and under free.

Thought for Today

*Consider how great is the love which the Father has bestowed
on us in calling us his children!*

1 John 3:1

Welcome, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to the worship of God. May God give us a special blessing by being together to share the life-giving Word. Following worship, join in fellowship downstairs. The notices on this sheet will keep you informed of the life of the congregation from day to day, as well as offer prayers for your daily devotions. Thanks for being part of the church family!

Opportunity Sheet

Prayer and praise opportunities

- For Chris, Susan, Margaret, Marilyn, Eva, Dorothy, Carol, Ernie and those known to us who are in need of prayer for any reason, that prayer lifted will be prayer heard, and that prayer heard is answered by almighty God

Pray for the Moderator, Rev. Amanda Currie, as she brings the message to Richmond PC, Richmond BC. May she be a blessing to them.

Worship and Pastoral care opportunities

Prayer or visit request cards are available in the narthex.

Want to Ride the Bus to Church! Call the Church Office, 519-271-5668 by Thursday! Arrangements will then be made for you.

Mission and Stewardship Opportunities

Mission Moment:

Cooperatives combat effects of climate change

Ever since the devastating Hurricane Matthew struck Haiti in 2016, Lucsius faced his share of challenges. His community in northern Haiti sustained weeks of heavy rains that washed away his vegetable crop and caused his soil to become degraded. The farmer wondered if he would ever harvest a good crop again. Lucsius's circumstances changed when his farming cooperative started receiving support from PWS&D partners. Along with 2,308 farmers in the region, Lucsius participated in workshops where he was taught to use sustainable, organic farming techniques—like using mulch and planting trees—to restore his soil's fertility and grow enough food, despite the effects of climate change. Lucsius has been thrilled with the fruits of these newly discovered agricultural techniques.

PWS&D helps farmers improve lives and livelihoods

Prayer for Illumination:

God of Life and Light,
through your Son Jesus Christ
you have called us to repent of our sin,
to believe the good news,
and to celebrate the coming of your Kingdom.
Like the first apostles,
may we hear Christ's call to discipleship and,
forsaking old ways,
proclaim the Gospel of Life to a hurting world.
We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

Scriptures Readings: Jonah 3:1-10
Psalm 27:1-6 (Refrain 1)
Matthew 4:12-23

Sermon : "Gone Fishin'
-The Rev. Mark Wolfe—

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

***Hymn # 672:** "Jesus calls us, o'er the tumult"

Prayers of the People

Offertory: "Redhead" (Rock of Ages)

Alec Rowly

***Doxology #661** "We give Thee but Thine own"
We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

Ushers come forward with offering at the beginning of singing this verse.

***Offertory Prayer**

Ushers then present the offering to speaker.

***Hymn # 650:** "He leadeth me"

***Benediction**

***Parting Hymn**

"Go In Love"

Go in love; have no fear.
God will guide you, He is always near.
Go in Love; take His hand.
God will hear you, He will understand.
May His light forever shine upon you;
may His peace be always in your heart.
Go in love; face each day, God will lead you,
He will show the way, Go in love and live in faith,
Amen

Postlude: "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

Paul Manz
