



Sunday February 20, 2022

We Prepare For Worship

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Praise Band

Organ Prelude

Silent Reflection

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Welcome and Community Life News

Sheila Gault

We Worship God

The Call to Worship

Grace Girard

L: Take delight in the Lord;

P: For God will give us the desires of our hearts.

L: Trust in the Lord;

P: For God will give us security and strength.

L: Come, let us commit our ways to the Lord.

P: Let us worship the One who is our refuge in any time of trouble.

L: Let us worship God.

Opening Hymn

Oh for a thousand tongues to sing #374

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Lord's Prayer (*debts*)

The Assurance of Pardon

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Minister: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Praise Time

(please see insert)

We Listen for God's Word

Children's Time

Prayer for Illumination

Jessica Chapman

Scripture Reading Psalm 37:1-9

OT p.#510

Luke 6:27-38

NT p.#64

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: Love my what?!

Rev. Dr. H. Vais

Hymn

Christ, your words of love confound us

(see insert)

We Respond to God's Word

Prayers of Dedication, Thanksgiving & Intercession

Closing Hymn *All my hope on God is founded*

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We are Sent Out as God's People

Charge and Benediction

Musical Benediction

**Go now in peace, never be afraid,
God will go with you each hour of every day.**

**Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,
Know He will guide you in all you do.**

**Go now in love, and show you believe,
Reach out to others so all the world can see.**

God will be there, watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen

Organ Postlude

Welcome

We welcome everyone here today. We hope that you feel comforted in our fellowship and that you leave here refreshed and inspired in your personal life.

Due to Covid restrictions, we ask that masks be worn at all times.

Singing is permitted in a speaking volume.

Thank you and welcome once again to Garth Low who is our guest organist today.

Thank you to those who are assisting in today's service.

COVID Restrictions and Mandates

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we ask that masks be worn at all times.
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Building Use During COVID

Due to COVID requirements mandated by the provincial government, Polka Dot Preschool must fully sanitize the washrooms and classrooms each day prior to start of operations. The daycare facilities are fully sanitized on Friday evening in preparation for Monday. Please do not use the washrooms or any other rooms in the daycare area on Sunday so that we do not compromise the cleanliness. This will really help the daycare maintain a safe space for their children.

Thank you for your help and understanding.

Board of Managers

Bible Time with Rev Heather!

Hey Kids and Parents!

You are invited to

Bible Time with Rev. Heather

When: Sunday February 27th & Sunday March 6th

Time: 6:45 – 7:15 p.m.

How: On ZOOM (link to be sent)!

What: Rev. Heather will share a Bible Story with the kids and it will be so much fun!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you have a gift you can share with your church? TPC is in need of individuals who can offer assistance in ushering and greeting, offering counters, readers, participants in Sunday worship services and committee membership.

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Weekly Offerings and Gifts

To continue to support the church through your regular offerings during this pandemic there are several options available to do so.

Offerings can be mailed (address below) or dropped off at the church mail slot in the old wooden doors to the right of the entryway any time.

You may also donate on-line at Canada Helps through our web site at www.tpchurch.net or directly to Canada Helps.Org at <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/thornhill-presbyterian-church/>

Pre-Authorized Debit (PAR) If you are interested in joining the PAR program contact Nadine at the church.

Thank you for your support!

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DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY

Garth Low, convener of the Director of Music Ministry Search Committee has announced that our new organist, Paul Townshend, will start on March 13th.

We thank the committee for their great work.

Members of the committee include Garth Low, Deborah Kerner, Abel Pandey, Diana Cooper with Rev Dr. Heather as an ex-officio member.

LIVESTREAM UPDATE

Our livestream improvements are completed and both audio and video improvements should be noticeable.

Our thanks go out to our Livestream Dream Team: Abel Pandey, Brian Solheim, Duane Girard, Alireza Taghizadeh, and a consultant friend of Abel's who helped out with improvements.

Can you help? Volunteers are much needed to help us run this system going forward. Training will be provided.

No rocket science degree is necessary!!

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

100 thousand million stars just in our Milky Way Galaxy

That's a lot!

And that's what God promised Abraham

Can you count the days until Family Church?

Next Family Church is Sunday March 6th at 11am in the Fellowship Hall

Parents, if your children would be more comfortable on a blanket than at a table, please bring a large blanket for your family 'pod'.

TAX RECEIPTS ARE READY!

Tax receipts will be available for pick-up at church on Sunday. Alternatively, please call the church office to arrange pick-up or drop-off.

Receipts have been mailed for those living out of town.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

The 2022 Offering envelopes are available from the church office. Please contact the church office to pick up your envelopes or arrange to have them delivered to you.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The AGM will take place after worship on Sunday February 27 right after worship at 12:10.

The meeting will be live in-person as well as on Zoom.

More information will follow.

The logo for 'The Open Door' newsletter, featuring the words 'The Open Door' in a stylized, handwritten font.

The deadline for the next issue of our congregational newsletter, "The Open Door" is Monday February 28th. Please forward your articles to Garth Low at garth.low@garthlow.com. Written submissions can be put in the Open Door newsletter mail box located by the Chapel.

LENT AT TPC

The Season of Lent will begin with an Ash Wednesday service on Ash Wednesday, March 2, 2022,

in-person at the church.

ECUMENICAL LENTEN SERIES 2022

Our 2022 Lenten Series for Churches of the Thornhill Ministerial will be held on March 6, March 20, and April 3.

The theme for the series is The Isolated Jesus.

Services will be held on Zoom.

Our church will "host" the ecumenical service on March 20.

We are looking for volunteers to read scriptures and do the call to worship and prayers which will be provided to you.

Please speak with Rev. Heather if you wish to help.

More information will be provided at a later date.



Praise Time



Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
 There is no more for heaven now to give
 He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
 My steadfast love my deep and boundless peace

*To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
 For my life is wholly bound to His
 Oh how strange and divine I can sing all is mine
 Yet not I but through Christ in me*

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
 For by my side the Saviour He will stay
 I labour on in weakness and rejoicing
 For in my need His power is displayed

*To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
 Through the deepest valley He will lead
 Oh the night has been won and I shall overcome
 Yet not I but through Christ in me*

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
 The future sure the price it has been paid
 For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
 And He was raised to overthrow the grave

*To this I hold my sin has been defeated
 Jesus now and ever is my plea
 Oh the chains are released I can sing I am free
 Yet not I but through Christ in me*

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
 For He has said that he will bring me home
 And day by day I know he will renew me
 Until I stand with joy before the throne

*To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
 All the glory evermore to Him
 When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
 Yet not I but through Christ in me*

When the race is complete still my lips shall repeat
 Yet not I but through Christ in me
 Yet not I but through Christ in me

Hymns

Oh for a thousand tongues to sing

Oh for a thousand tongues to sing
 my great Redeemer's praise,
 the glories of my God and King,
 the triumphs of God's grace.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears,
 and bids our sorrows cease:
 'tis music in the sinner's ears;
 'tis life and health and peace.

He speaks, and listening to his voice
 new life the dead receive;
 the mournful, broken hearts rejoice;
 the humble poor believe.

Hear him, you deaf; you voiceless ones,
 your tongues again employ;
 you blind, behold your Saviour comes,
 and leap, you lame, for joy.

My gracious Master and my God,
 assist me to proclaim,
 and spread through all the earth abroad
 the honours of thy name.

Hymns

Christ Your Words of Love Confound Us

Christ, your words of love confound us,
even as we give you praise,
for the lessons that you teach us
seem so far from this world's ways.

How can we love those who hate us?

How can we love enemies?

What of people who abuse us?

How can we love even these?

Make us mindful: love is action,
not a feeling that uplifts.

In each daily situation,
love's the greatest of all gifts.

It's the wiser, stronger person
who will break the chain of hate.

Love can usher in redemption;
love can make a people great.

Faced with those who seek to hurt us,
make us confident and free:
you don't call us to be helpless
but to stand with dignity.

Lord, when others are demanding,
may we know they matter more
than our money or possessions.

May we share, not keeping score.

If we love just those who love us,
where's the giving? Where's the grace?

Even sinners try to do this;
they have friends that they embrace.

May we do, Lord, unto others
as we'd have them also do.

You have shown us: Love is action.

May we love, and make things new.

Hymns

All my hope on God is founded

All my hope on God is founded
who does still my trust renew;
through all change and chance God guides me,
only good and only true.

Love unknown, God's alone,
calls my heart to be God's own.

Human pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown, betray all trust;
what our care and toil establish,
tower and temple, fall to dust,
but God's power, hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness reigns eternal,
deep in wisdom, passing thought;
light and life are all God's splendour
bringing beauty out of naught.

Evermore from God's store
newborn worlds rise and adore.

Daily does Almighty Giver
bounteous gifts on us bestow,
God's desire our soul delighting,
pleasure leading where we go.
Love will stand at God's hand;
joy will wait on God's command.

Still from earth to God eternal
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ, the Son.
Hear Christ call one and all:
you that follow shall not fall.