

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2008

Liturgical Colour: Green

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(* Those who are able are invited to stand)

We would like to welcome all those who are worshipping with us today. We hope that you will find this service meaningful for you on your faith journey. If you are new to our congregation, please sign our guest book in the entrance to this sanctuary.

Gathering Music

Informal Greeting and Announcements: Kristen Bell

WE GATHER BEFORE OUR GOD

Anthem: "Hymn To Freedom"

Call To Worship:

One: When the call came, they answered the call

All: The call goes out to all to remember them always

One: They left all that they knew for the cause of freedom

All: We know what they gave, and what they risked, and why

One: They were parents and children, brothers and sisters

All: We are the children of their legacy, and the brothers and sisters of their hope

Prayer of Approach:

We come into your sanctuary today, O God, to sing and pray and give thanks. We come to sing out our joy because we live in a nation that is free, tolerant, and rich. We come to pray for a world that is hurt, and broken, and violent. We come to give thanks for the sacrifice of those who gave their lives, and those who risked their lives in the name of freedom. As we worship today, help us to remember those who have gone before, and those who put their lives on the line today, so that others may live in peace and freedom. We ask it in Jesus' name. Amen.

***Hymn:** "O God Of All The Many Lands" #523

Prayer of Confession:

This world of ours is a violent and angry world, O God. So many are willing to do anything to gain power, or to increase their wealth. They are willing to hurt anyone, steal anything, or betray anybody in order to get what they want. It takes courage to stand up to those who only know how to tear down and destroy. It takes sacrifice to be willing to stop them from their pursuit of power. We have been blessed, O God, with people willing to take up the cause of freedom, and to risk their lives for peace. Forgive us when we choose safety over sacrifice, and comfort over courage. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

First Lesson: Micah 4:1-5 - Moira McGuigan

Second Lesson: John 15:9-17 - Selena Joshua

***Hymn:** "God as With Silent Hearts" #527

Recitation: "In Flander's Fields"
Cortney Brennan and Michelle Lepine

Reflections on War

***Hymn:** "Let There Be Peace On Earth" *SFGP #128*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Invitation to Share

***Doxology: All that I am, all that I do, all that I ever have, I offer now to you. Take and sanctify these gifts for your honour Lord, knowing that to love and serve you is enough reward. Repeat Refrain**

***Prayer of Dedication:**

So many have sacrificed so much so that we could live in peace and comfort. What we offer here is a kind of sacrifice of our own. In this giving we acknowledge what we have received, and we say thanks for the sacrifice of others. Bless our offering for we ask it in Jesus' name. Amen

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Presentation of the Wreath: Robin Pederson and Spencer Cook

***Last Post**

***Two Minutes of Silence**

***Reveille**

***O Canada**

WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD

***Words to Love By:**

One: What they have done for us we can never forget

All: What we can do for them is to remember their sacrifice

One: War is not something to be celebrated or praised

All: Sacrifice is something to be cherished

One: Go into the world in peace and let all that you do be done in love

All: Do not say, "God is on our side" but seek to always be on God's side

***The Blessing**

Musical Postlude

Never has so much been
Owed to so few by so many.
- Winston Churchill

At the going down of the sun,
And in the morning,
We will remember them
- Laurence Binyon



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Our Mission is:

***To be a community of faith serving God
as exemplified in the life of Jesus Christ***

Sunday, November 9, 2008 10:00 a.m.

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TRUMPETER: Greg Dwiewierz

OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS

ARTHRITIS SOCIETY: presents its 8th Annual "More than just Desserts" on Thurs, Nov 6th at 7pm, at the Casablanca Winery Inn (on 4 Windward Drive, Grimsby). Tickets are \$55, call 905-946-7284, ext.224 to register.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER: On Wed, Dec 3rd at 8:15am, there will be a coach tour to Niagara Falls to "Celebrate the End of 2008 with David Hoy." Trip costs \$80 and includes lunch, entertainment, and more. See poster in Atrium or call Molly Boden at 662-8814.

DERMODY'S FUNERAL HOMES: presents "Painful Realities: How to Manage Grief following Significant Loss or Separation" presented by Bill Bates, on Thurs. Nov 13th from 7-10pm and Fri, Nov 14th 9am-12pm. Call 905-572-7900 to register.

PIONEER MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH: presents its "Christmas Shopping Basket 2008" with a tea room, diner and other Bazaar Items on Sat, Nov 15th from 11am to 2:30pm, 1974 King St E, Hamilton.

RYERSON UNITED CHURCH: is having its annual "Bids 'n Bites" Roast Beef Dinner and Silent Auction on Saturday, November 15th at 4:30pm. Tickets are \$15/adult, and \$7.00/ children 10 and under. Please call 544-3120 to reserve a dinner ticket or bid number.

SPIRIT OF RED HILL VALLEY: the 4th Annual lecture is on Mon, Nov 10th at 7:30pm at the First Unitarian Church, 179 Dundurn St S. This event is co-sponsored by Kairos, and is titled "Tar Sands Mania", with Tony Clarke of the Polaris Institute.

TEENAGE BRAIN: A free event for parents on Tuesday, November 18th at 6:30pm at Sir Winston Churchill Secondary School, 1715 Main Street East. For more info, see poster on bulletin board, or call 540-5018.



A message of thanks from the Stafford family, for the cards, the kind words of support and the countless hugs after the death of Blaine's Dad. We are truly blessed to have a "Church" family in addition to our friends and family to share our sorrow and offer their concern. It was a difficult time and we thank you for everything. Blaine and Debbie

COMING SOON AT SCUC

Sunday, November 9th at 7pm: John Sands Concert in Sanctuary

Tuesday, November 11th at 7pm: Council meeting

Wednesday, November 12th at 1:30pm: Busy Fingers in Room 6

Friday, November 14th at 12pm: Senior's Luncheon in Auditorium

Sunday, November 16th at 6pm: Choir Concert in Auditorium

Tuesday, November 18th at 7pm: Ministry to Others team meetings in Rooms 4 and 6.

Wednesday, November 19th at 2:30pm: Blood Donor Clinic

Saturday, November 22nd at 11am: Cookie Walk in Auditorium

CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

ART FOR GOWN'S SAKE! Our artist's cards will be on sale Sunday, November 16th and 23rd. Cards are suitable for Thank You, Christmas, Birthday, Sympathy, and also as a small gift. Cards will be sold for \$2.00 each, and 6 cards for \$10.00. Visit our display and help boost the Choir Gown Fund – submitted by Dave Friesen.

BOOKING FORMS: a reminder that booking forms are required for all meetings or events. Please CHECK the booking board located across from the offices prior to booking events. If there is a need to negotiate time and space please contact Colleen at extension 224.

CALENDARS: We are now selling the 2009 United Church Calendars in the Church Office. These calendars are filled with gorgeous photography featuring spectacular Canadian landscapes and United Churches from all over our country, as well as the complete Lectionary

schedule for the year. They would make a wonderful Christmas gift and are only \$7.00 each! All proceeds will be donated to the Benevolent Fund, which helps to support those in urgent need in our immediate community.

CHOIR: We will be presenting "Your Old Favourites" each week.

Please print the title of your favourite hymn on a piece of paper and give it to any choir member after the service. We will find the words and music for a sing-along prior to a Sunday Service. We request that you make a donation to our "Choir Gown Fund".

On Sunday, November 16th, 2008 7:00pm Join your Choir for a Special Concert with St. John Bosco Chorale. We are pleased to present this world acclaimed choir right here in our sanctuary. Refreshments will be served following the concert with an opportunity to meet the performers. CD's will be available for purchase. Bring your friends and family. A free will offering is requested, and proceeds will go to the Stoney Creek United Church "Choir Gown Fund."

CPR: The team would like to thank you for supporting "The Last Supper" last Sunday night. We served a bit over ninety people and were very pleased with the comments we heard from those who obviously enjoyed their dinner. There are a several people we need to thank as these events require help and would not have gone so smoothly without them. Doug Macdonald for designing and printing the tickets and posters. Janice Garden for making and rolling all of our pie crusts. Elaine Fawcett for helping to make and bake the pies we served. Jean Greenough for donating the apples for the apple crumble pie. The following people are the members of the CPR team John Barry, Margaret & Joe Bosnyak, Kelly Drombolis, Sharon Roduck, Jeanne Willis, Blaine & Debbie Stafford as well as a few honorary members that offer their help when needed, Larry Archer, Cathy MacDougall, Joanne Lewis and Kathryn Sterling, and Gene Murphy. All in all we made just under \$1000.00. None of it would be possible without the teamwork of those mentioned that gave their time and talent over the weekend. **CPR's last event will be "Christmas in the Creek" on Sunday, December 7, 2008 at 7:30pm** and we hope to fill

the Chapel. Please come and enjoy an evening of Christmas Entertainment.

HOSPITALITY PLUS: The John Sands concert is TONIGHT at 7pm.

Bring your friends, families and neighbours, and join us afterwards for a reception with door prizes. Tickets are \$10.00 at Coffee Hour.

MEDICAL MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL: the Warehouse facility at 455 Barton Street, Stoney Creek will now be open for volunteers to assist in eyeglass sorting on Wed afternoons from 1-3pm, as well as Fri, Nov 28th from 7-9pm. Please call Janet Cumming at 573-7695.

NOMINATIONS: The Nominations team is now looking for a new Treasurer. Please speak with Colleen Cavanaugh.

PASTORAL CARE: the team meeting will be on Tues, Nov 18th at 7pm in the Fireside Room, with Ruth Ferguson as the chair.

2008 FOOD DRIVE: All donations are gratefully accepted. Our goal is 4,000 items. To date 2969 items have been collected.

RESOURCE CENTRE: The annual visit from The Hamilton Presbytery Resource Centre will be on Sun, Nov 23rd during coffee hour. This is an excellent time to purchase books or gifts for yourself or someone special. Cash, Visa, MasterCard or Cheque are accepted.

SCRIPTURE READERS: *We are now recruiting! If you are a confident public speaker and have (or would like to) read scripture at a Sunday morning worship service, please "Sign-Up" on the sheet posted in the Auditorium. We would love to hear from you!*

SENIOR'S LUNCHEON: *is on Fri, Nov 14th at 12pm with Colleen presenting on SCUC WRAP. Register: Ruth Ferguson 643-3175.*

UCW: HELP WANTED! *In preparation for the UCW Cookie Walk on Sat, Nov 22nd...Cookie making continues at 9:30am on Mon, Nov 10th and 17th. If you care to make a cookie donation, please sign the flip*

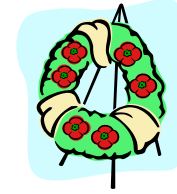
chart in the Atrium. We would greatly appreciate your assistance in helping in any way you can.

UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA: Launches Its Own YouTube Channel.

While it may not be a traditional pulpit, for The United Church of Canada, it is a communication platform like no other. This week, the church is launching its own YouTube channel, featuring a play list of more than 20 videos with more to be added in the weeks ahead. "Many people think the church is just a collection of buildings with steeples, but by using YouTube, we can show how active the church is, whether in a downtown mission like First United in Vancouver or through overseas partners working on water issues in Kenya," says Catherine Rodd, the church's Multi-Media Producer. "Our audience is the world and we want to add our faces and voices to the tapestry of people working for just change, wherever they are." The United Church's YouTube play list includes videos of some of the United Church's hundreds of community projects, both in Canada and overseas, as well as video messages from the church's current spiritual leader, Moderator David Giuliano. Rodd explains that while this YouTube venture is a first for the church as a national body, many local congregations and youth groups have been posting videos independently for some time. She hopes to integrate the best of those videos into the channel in the coming months. "For 20 years the United Church had a weekly television show on VisionTV. When it ended, we needed a new window. YouTube offers us that," says Rodd. "YouTube also gives us a chance to showcase videos produced by our overseas partners that people wouldn't normally get a chance to see," adds Rodd. "We are very excited about the possibilities to show local, regional, and international stories that make people think about the world from new and different points of view." It can be found at:

www.youtube.ca/unitedchurchofcanada.

YOUTH TIME: Please be sure to come and view the Children's artwork depicting "Animals in War" in the C.E. Auditorium during coffee hour. We are still accepting pennies, and they can be brought to the C.E. Auditorium at Coffee Hour.



In honour of the Veterans from the Congregation of Stoney Creek United Church who served in the Canadian Armed Forces during the Second World War.

Jack Anderson *

Helen Armstrong

Harvey Batten *

Andy Bell

William Bellingham

William Best

Marsh Capel

Ben Davies *

Ernest Davies

Valerie Davies *

Doris Dawson *

Len Dawson *

Douglas Dent *

Edward Duncan

Wib Duncan *

Dorie Elliott

Doug Elliott *

Dave Friesen

Arnold Greenough *

Charles Henry *

Norman Hore *

Ralph Hyslop

Eldon Jacobs *

Lillian Jacobsen

Grant Kaulback *

Dr. Bob Kemp

Charlie Kring *

Ivan Merritt

Bob Mccoll

Bernard Mudge

Gene Murphy

Jim Reid *

John Robinson

Stewart Salmond *

Sidney Snell

Frank Tamblyn *

Hal Willis *

On behalf of our congregation, the Worship Team would like to express sincere appreciation to Veterans Dave Friesen and Bill Best For placing our Memorial Wreath at the Cenotaph for Tuesday's Remembrance Day Service