

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, April 2, 2017 – Fifth in Lent

Prelude

Welcome and greetings

* Introit MV 161	I have called you by your name, you are mine I have gifted you and ask you now to shine. I will not abandon you; all my promises are true. You are gifted, called and chosen; you are mine. <i>Je t'ap-pren-drai mon nom à cha-que pas. Lis-le en tous ceux que tu ren-con-tre-ras. En ver-sant l'eau en mon nom, pro-cla-me la com-mu-nion; et de Jé-sus, qui s'est don-né, suis les pas.</i>
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* Call to worship

We come to this place of worship, O God, to learn how to live.

Thank you for sending your instruction book.

In the Bible we learn of the life and teachings of Jesus.

Jesus summed up his teachings as loving others as we love ourselves.

It sounds so simple but it is the hardest thing we will ever do.

May our hearts and minds be ready to hear your word, O God.

* Opening prayer

O God, as we walk through our own valley of dry bones may we remember the promises that were given: that you will walk with us always. Thank you for the promise of hope, the promise of new life in Christ and the joy that comes from that promise. Amen.

*** Hymn As comes the breath of Spring VU 373**

Children's time

Prayer of confession and affirmation of grace

* Response VU 382	Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do. <i>Souffle du Dieu vivant, viens purifier ma foi; que ce soit ton vouloir puissant qui s'accomplisse en moi.</i>
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OT: Old Testament NT: New Testament VU: Voices United MV: More Voices

* the congregation standing, as able

*** Affirmation of faith**

*** Hymn Spirit divine VU 385**

Prayer for illumination

Readings Ezekiel 37:1-14 OT 806

Psalm 130 VU 852

John 11:1-45 NT 104

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Uncharted Territory

Personal reflection

*** Hymn Homeless people, will you listen VU 696**

Minute for mission

Offering

*** Offertory / Prayer of dedication**

MV 85 Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

Oh! Prends-moi tel que je suis; fais-moi vivre que pour toi.

Viens, mets ton sceau sur mon cœur; viens vivre en moi.

Announcements & sharing in the life of the community

Prayer of the people & the Lord's Prayer

*** Hymn We shall go out with hope of resurrection VU 586**

*** Benediction**

*** Response** *Tu au-ras be-soin de moi en che-min.*

MV 161 *En tous lieux, sens ma pré-sence et mon sou-tien.*

*Com-me cet-te femme en pleurs qui a sur-mon-té ses peurs,
touche et laisse aller Jé-sus sur son chemin.*

I have given you a name, it is mine;

I have given you my Spirit as a sign.

With my wonder in your soul,

make my wounded children whole;

go and tell my precious people they are mine.

Postlude

News

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us today. In this Season of Lent, may the gentle winds of the Holy Spirit blow on us all along our journey with Jesus to the Cross and beyond.

This week, we pray for those in prison with untreated mental illness.

Bienvenue à l'Église Unie Plymouth-Trinity! Des **Bibles en français** se trouvent à l'arrière.

If you are a visitor, please join us for fair-trade coffee, water or juice after the service and take a peace candle back to your congregation.

We thank our volunteers:

Reader: Selma Chipenda-Dansokho

Ushers: Val Rawlings & Carol Smith

Sexton: Jim Innes

Worship leader: We are thankful to Shirley Knutson for leading our worship today.

Happy birthday to Serge Nenkam (April 6) and Sasa Cloutier-Young (April 8).

Daffodils for the Canadian Cancer Society campaign are available for pickup today: see Pam or Jack.

Flowers this morning are given by Janet McBurney in memory of her grandmother Mabel (Forgrave) McBurney who was born April 2, 1888.

For information regarding **baptism** or **church membership**, speak to Samuel.

Lenten booklet, *The sanctuary for Lent 2017*: Copies of this Lenten booklet for daily devotions are available at the back and front of our sanctuary. Please take one, and if you can, leave a toonie (\$2) to cover the cost.

This week

Organ Concert in St. Mark's: Today, April 2 at 3 p.m. Jacques Boucher, organist at Église St Jean-Baptiste in Montreal, will be joined by a frequent recital partner, Anne Robert, violinist. \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and FREE for students. Tickets available at the door.

A Board of Trustees meeting will be held Monday, April 3 at 7:30 at the home of the chair.

Human rights in Morocco and the history of women in the Arab-Muslim world: Dr. Osire Glacier of the Departments of History, Religion, and Politics and International Studies at Bishop's University, will be taking part in this knowledge mobilization activity that aims to share the results of her research on the progressive voices of the Arab-Muslim world with a broad audience.

This talk will address and challenge certain myths that endure today with regards to Muslim communities, myths that are unfortunately all too present in the media: how have Arab-Muslim countries contributed to the development of universal human rights? How is feminism manifested in these communities? What are some of the common elements that unite, rather than divide, immigrant Muslim communities and the host community in Canada?

Please note that the event will take place in French, but that comments and questions in English will be welcome.

The talk will be taking place on **April 5 at 7 p.m.**, Salle 3 at the Bibliothèque municipale Éva-Sénécal. The event is free.

Children's choir rehearsal on Saturday, April 8 at 9 a.m.

Furniture re-use: The Bishop's/Champlain Refugee Student Sponsorship Committee will be holding a Furniture Pre-Sale on Saturday, April 8 from 8 a.m. – noon in the old arena on the Bishop's University campus. We have already received substantial donations of furniture that we need to sell in order to make room to set up for our regular Garage Sale which will take place on Saturday May 13th.

Next week

Sunday, April 9 – Palm Sunday

Lectionary readings:

Matthew 21:1-11

Isaiah 50:4-9a

Le service en français aura lieu à 9 h dans la chapelle.

English service at 10:30.

UCW meeting on Tuesday, April 11 at 7 p.m.

Ecumenical service on Good Friday, April 14 at 10:30 a.m. See next week's bulletin for the place.

Concert of sacred vocal music at Plymouth-Trinity on Holy Saturday, April 15 at 8 p.m. Maude Fréchette-Gagné, Amélie Rheault, Jean-Yves St-Pierre and Leslie Young will interpret Renaissance music and repertoire by Purcell. Voluntary contribution.

Outreach

Lenten share calendar: If you don't have a copy of the 2017 Lenten share calendar, please pick one up for these last two weeks of Lent. This year, we're focussing on mental illness and raising money for Mental Health Estrie.

For example: **Monday, April 3:** If you've never been treated for a mental illness, give a generous \$1.

Mitten tree: Last chance to contribute to our mitten tree for HUGS (hats, underwear, gloves/mittens, socks/scarves for the homeless) – it will be “disappeared” by Palm Sunday. HUGS is a project of Mental Health Estrie, the organisation to which we will be giving our Lenten donation.

Moisson Estrie: The food bank thanks Plymouth-Trinity for making a difference and reminds us cash is as appreciated as food. Our treasurers will credit all donations clearly marked “Moisson Estrie”.

In March, we gave 47 kg of food.

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