

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

Sunday, June 18, 2017 – Aboriginal Sunday; Father’s Day

## Prelude

## Welcome and greetings

## Acknowledging the land

For thousands of years, First Nations peoples have walked on this land; their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and spirituality. We are gathered on the traditional territory of the Abenaki and acknowledge their stewardship of this land throughout the ages.

<b>* Introit</b>	<b>Fresh as the morning</b>	MV 28.1
God of the Bible, God in the Gospel, hope seen in Jesus, hope yet to come, you are our centre, daylight or darkness, freedom or prison, you are our home.		
Fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise, } x2 God always faithful, you do not change. }		

## \* Call to worship / Opening prayer

We gather to share in God’s dream of abundant life for all.

**We gather to give and receive gifts of deep emotion, deep wisdom, and deep love.**

With gratitude, we gather as a community to praise God, to seek transformation, **and to celebrate the power of the Spirit who is always moving.**

God, we know that we are surrounded by a legacy of pain.

**We acknowledge the pain, grief, and sorrow caused by not living respectfully with all people,** and we are sorry for the ways that we have dishonoured the depths of this pain.

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OT: Old Testament    NT: New Testament    VU: Voices United    MV: More Voices

\* the congregation standing, as able    NVU : Nos voix unies



**Scriptures**      Genesis 18:1-15 and 21:1-7                      OT 14 & 16

                         Matthew 9:35–10:8    NT 34

The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**            Is anything too difficult for God?

**Personal reflection**

**\* Hymn**            Hey ney yana    MV 217

**Minute for mission**

**Offering**

**\* Offertory**      **What can I do?**                                      MV 191

What can I do? What can I bring?

What can I say? What can I sing?

I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.

I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

**Announcements and sharing in the life of the community**

**Prayers of the people followed by the Lord's Prayer**

**\* Hymn**            Blest be the tie that binds                              VU 602

**\* Benediction**

**\* Closing**        **Asithi: Amen**    VU 431

Asithi: Amen, siyakudumisa. (x2)

Asithi: Amen, Baba, amen, Baba,  
amen, siyakudumisa.

Sing amen: Amen, we praise your name, O God. (x2)

Sing amen: Amen, amen, amen, amen,  
amen, we praise your name, O God.

**Postlude**

# News

**Welcome** to all who are worshipping with us today. In this Season of Pentecost, the gentle winds of the Holy Spirit, the Paraclet, continue to blow on us, inspiring, empowering and leading ordinary people like us into extraordinary works of reconciliation, justice and love.

**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 or a cold drink after the service and take a peace candle back to your congregation.

**We thank our volunteers:**

**Reader:** Carol Smith

**Ushers:** Val Rawlings and Carol Smith

**Sexton:** Robert Stratton

**Happy 97<sup>th</sup> birthday** to Lois Ogilvie Blanchette (June 24). There will be an Open House celebration at Uplands in Lennoxville that afternoon at 1:30 p.m-3:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

**Happy anniversary** to Bonnie Juby & Gary Smith (June 21).

**Birth:** We welcome the newest member of the Marshall family: Rylan Patrick was born last Monday, weighing 10lb. 12oz. and measuring 22 inches long! He is the son of Sean and his fiancé Stephanie, little brother of Hope and Isaac and the third grandson of Cathy and Allan.

**Update:** The Spring/Summer edition of the congregational newsletter will be distributed next Sunday in order to include the result of the vote at the congregational meeting.

**Special congregational meeting:** after the 10:30 service, there will be a brief meeting of the congregation for the purpose of approving an amended version of the motion passed at our last congregational meeting regarding the future of the church building. The United Church requires that should the sale of the church building be one of the options we are considering, a specific motion approving that action must be passed. This will be the substance of the motion.

## *This week*

**Expanded Conference Executive** meeting at Lachine on Tuesday, June 20, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Worship team** meeting on Tuesday, June 20 at 7:30 p.m.

**Conference Staff Committee** meeting at Lachine on Friday, June 23, from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

## *Next week*

**Sunday, June 25** – Third after Pentecost

### **Lectionary readings**

Genesis 21:8-21

Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17

Romans 6:1b-11

Matthew 10:24-39

*Culte en français à 9 h dans la chapelle; entrez par la porte donnant sur l'aire de stationnement (rue Terrill).*

**English service** at 10:30 in the sanctuary.

**Monday, June 26: Funeral of Andy Swan:** Long-time member of Plymouth, then Plymouth-Trinity, Andy, widow of Grace and father of Bob, Marjorie and the late Gordon, died just a few weeks short of his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. Following his wishes, his funeral will be held at Plymouth-Trinity on Monday, June 26 at 3 p.m., preceded by visitation with the family beginning at 2 p.m. During the reception following the service, Andy will be remembered by family and friends and his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday (June 24) will be highlighted.

## Outreach

**Famine relief:** Most of you will have heard the government is matching donations for famine relief in Nigeria, Somalia, South Sudan and Yemen until June 30, i.e. in less than two weeks. Donations to the United Church's Extreme Hunger Appeal are helping long-term Mission & Service partners ACT Alliance and the Canadian Foodgrains Bank provide much-needed assistance on the ground in Africa and the Middle East.

Our treasurers will accept donations made to Plymouth-Trinity, marked "Extreme Hunger Appeal" by the middle of next week. However, donations may be sent a bit later if made directly the United Church website:

<http://www.united-church.ca/hunger-appeal>

**Moisson Estrie:** The local food bank announced their reserves are low, as they are each year in spring and summer. They especially need basic items such as pasta, rice, flour, sugar... Moisson Estrie 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 the community

**Quebec Sherbrooke Presbytery Camp,** June 25 to July 1. Registrations are still welcome for campers aged 8-17. (Four of our young people, plus a friend, are registered.) Supplies needed: we are looking for donations of binoculars, compasses, knitting and embroidery supplies and large, clean, empty jars (glass or plastic). To donate supplies, or for further information about camp, contact Presbytery Youth Worker, our own Shanna Bernier ([shanna.bernier@gmail.com](mailto:shanna.bernier@gmail.com))

**Summer Event 2017, Dance with the spirit:** August 25-27, Ramada Hotel, Cornwall, Ontario. Theme speaker: the Rev. Takouhi Demirdjian-Petro (formerly in the Ayer's Cliff-Magog pastoral charge). Sponsored by Montreal & Ottawa Conference UCW. For more information contact Kim Baird at 613 933-5851 or [bairdjk@cogeco.ca](mailto:bairdjk@cogeco.ca).

**UCW annual fund-raiser at The Piggery,** Friday, July 28 at 8 p.m.: The Fixer-Upper, written by Lorne Elliott and starring Karen Cromer. Come see this comedy in 7 phone calls about summer in the Maritimes, cottage renovations and family manipulation. Tickets are \$20 and available by contacting Janet McBurney at 819 565-9716 after 6 p.m. A portion of each ticket will go to benefit Plymouth-Trinity's UCW.

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