

Plymouth-Trinity United Church

Order of Worship

November 11, 2018
Remembrance Sunday

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 we acknowledge their stewardship of this land throughout the ages.

Call to worship

In silent fields, poppies blow.

In empty streets, silence dwells.

In vacant rooms, photos sit.

War does not end with a pen or a parade.

Into the silence, the emptiness, the sorrow,

**let us bring the peace, the song,
the hope of Holy Love.**

Let us worship. (Written by: Robin Wardlaw, Glen Rhodes U.C., Toronto, Ont.
Gathering, PENTECOST 2 2017, p. 47. Used by permission.)

Gathering poem

(by John McRae)

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
between the crosses, row on row,
that mark our place; and in the sky
the larks, still bravely singing, fly
scarce heard amid the guns below.

OT: Old Testament

NT: New Testament

VU: Voices United

MV: More Voices

* the congregation standing, as able

Prayer of illumination
You embrace all peoples

VU 525

Scriptures

Ruth 3:1-5, 4:13-17

(OT 243)

Psalm 127

(VU p 851)

Mark 12:38-44

(NT 49)

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

Message Remembering, who, what... and what for?

Personal reflection

***Hymn**

VU 527

God! As with silent hearts

Offering

***Response**

VU 544

In gratitude and humble trust

Announcements and sharing in the life of the community

Prayers of the people followed by the Lord's Prayer

***Hymn**

VU 686

God of grace and God of glory

***Benediction**

***Choral Response** Amen!

Solo Maude Fréchette

For the beauty of the Earth
(by John Rutter)

Announcements

Welcome to all who are worshipping with us today. On this Remembrance Sunday, the gentle winds of the Holy Spirit continue to blow on us. They inspire, empower and lead ordinary people like us into extraordinary works of Peace-Shalom-Salaam, with 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. You will find the candles on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

We thank our volunteers:

Reader: Kristi Roht

Ushers: Inge Lunkenbein & Val Rawlings

Sexton: Jim Innes

We welcome Maude Fréchette, enhancing our worship with music today courtesy of the Fred Sangster Memorial Music Fund. She will sing three compositions, *Pie Jesu* and *In paradisum* by Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924) and, instead of our postlude, she will sing *For the beauty of the Earth*, by John Rutter.

Happy birthday to Bryan Marshall today.

The trees in the parking lot running along the fence that separates us from the CJE building next door were scheduled for pruning the morning of Nov. 8. The tree trimmer was hired following the windstorm that downed a tree in our parking lot a few weeks ago.

Bulletin covers: Inge Lunkenbein (819-346-7750) is collecting donations for the 2019 bulletin covers: \$10 a Sunday in memory of a loved one. Several people can be sponsors on the same Sunday. Signup sheets are on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

The Worship Team is still looking for new members. If you are interested in joining, please speak to Janet, Kristi, Gordon, Leslie or Samuel.

This week

Tuesday, November 13: UCW meets at 7 p.m. (location to be confirmed). This will be our horror auction.

Wednesday, November 14: The Worship Team meets to review survey results at 7:30 p.m. in the parlour.

Friday, November 16: Education & Outreach meets at 1 p.m. in the parlour.

Saturday, November 17: Samuel participates in a General Council Executive meeting.

Next week

Sunday, November 18

Lectionary readings: 1 Samuel 1:4-20; 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25; Mark 13:1-8

English service at 10:30 a.m., with Communion. Culte en français à 13 h dans la chapelle.

Next Sunday we will share in the Lord's Supper. Please let the minister know if somebody would like to receive Communion at home or in hospital.

The wooden Benevolent Fund box will be on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Each time we share in Holy Communion

we have the opportunity to donate to this fund which is used to purchase food vouchers for the minister to distribute to people in need, including our own members.

Upcoming

Come celebrate Advent with us, here at Plymouth-Trinity! There will be crafts, music, storytelling and cookie making. Light refreshments will be offered. Consider this your invitation! This is a family-friendly event, but children need to be supervised. It's from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, November Nov 24. Please RSVP to Shanna by email at shanna.bernier@gmail.com or telephone at 819-674-7532. See you there!

United Church of Canada

United Church Women in Quebec are invited to a day-long Advent event on Wednesday, November 28, "Our Role in the future?", held at Southwest United Church in Verdun. \$10 preregistration (before Nov. 17), or \$12 after, covers lunch and handouts, includes carol singing, fellowship, a special Christmas litany and agape meal. Register with Valerie Nickson, 514-268-0228 or vepps_nickson@hotmail.com. See the poster in the church hall for more details.

The **new Gifts with Vision** catalogue is here – to help us celebrate special occasions throughout the year—no wrapping paper necessary! There are gifts of food for people near and far, solar power gifts, gifts for beekeepers, gifts for reconciliation, and more at giftswithvision.ca . You will also find paper copies of the new catalogue at the back of the sanctuary and opposite the coffee table. \$25 helps train an organic farmer on the Philippine island of Palawan.

Outreach

Moisson Estrie: There are boxes marked for the Moisson Estrie food bank at the front and back of the sanctuary. Hunger still helps define poverty.

While donations of food are always welcome, cheques are transformed into economic miracles by food banks. Please remember Moisson Estrie and those who depend on it, as you buy your weekly groceries and open your cheque-book.

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