

WILMOT UNITED CHURCH

January 29, 2017

Portions of the service printed in **bold** are spoken by the whole congregation.

At the points marked * - those who are able are invited to stand.

Presider: The Reverend Rose-Hannah Gaskin

THE PEOPLE GATHER

Organ Prelude: Trio & Fughetta on "Dundee" (Lovelace)

Welcome to the Church

Call to Worship:

Jesus said: Love one another.

**We come to worship God who is love,
that we may learn to love one another.**

Jesus said: No longer do I call you servants;
now I call you my friends.

**We come to worship God,
whose friends we are in Christ.**

Let us sing praise to God,
and live in love and friendship;
through Jesus Christ.

Amen.

We Light the Christ Candle

* **Hymn:** Jesus Shall Reign VU #330

Opening Prayer:

Come to us, Holy God,
as we gather before you;
encircle us with your love.

Bless us with your sustaining presence;
surround us with your grace.

Draw us 'round your living Word,
and bind us to one another as disciples of Christ,
whose Spirit is in our midst. Amen.

Time for the Young and Young at Heart

Rev. Ellen Beirsto

* **Hymn:** Go, Make a Diff'rence

MV #209

Connecting to Our Hearts' Longing: Psalm 15

VU #736

Silent Prayer

Assurance of God's Love:

To all who turn from sin in sorrow,
to all who turn to God in hope,
this is God's word of grace:
we are accepted, we are forgiven, we are loved.
This gift we have from God.
Thanks be to God.

* **Hymn:** Come Touch Our Hearts

MV #12

LISTENING FOR TRUTH

Prayer of Preparation:

Elizabeth Savoie

**God of startling revelation,
open us to your message this day.
Get our attention; show us the way to abundant life
for all of creation. Amen.**

Scripture Reading: Micah 6: 1-8

Second Reading: Matthew 5: 1 - 12

Congregational Response:

One: This is the witness of God's people.

All: Thanks be to God!

Anthem: Here in the House of the Lord (Besig)
Sermon: Living a Christian Life Rev. R-H Gaskin
*** Hymn:** Blest Are They VU #896

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Announcements

Invitation to The Offering

Offertory Music

*** Doxology:** VU #541

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures high and low;
give thanks to God in love made known:
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.**

*** Prayer of Dedication:**

We bring our gifts to you, God.
Here is the work of our hands,
and here is the love of our hearts.
Accept them and use them,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (Sung) VU #959

*** Closing Hymn:** For the Healing of the Nations VU #678

*** Commissioning & Benediction**

*** Choral Benediction** VU #963

Postlude: Jig Fugue (Buxtehude)

If you wish, you are invited to remain for the Postlude as it is part of our Worship Service.

WELCOME to this service of worship and thank you for being with us today. You are invited to join us for **COFFEE & CONVERSATION** in the Dr. G. M. Young Memorial Hall following the worship service.

CONDOLENCES: Our thoughts and prayers go out to Donna Wheaton and her family on the death of her father, **Marshall Smith**, this past week. A service will be held at York Funeral Home on Wednesday, Feb 1st at 2 p.m., with visitation on Tuesday evening from 6 to 8 p.m. Our condolences also go out to the family and friends of the late **Earline Cassidy** who passed away on Wednesday. Our thoughts and prayers will be with both of these families over the coming days.

THE PRAYER CIRCLE offers confidential prayer support for those with physical, emotional, family and spiritual needs. To have your concerns added to the Wilmot prayer list contact Guy Vezina (455-6174) or Raday Brown (454-3001).

SUNDAY OFFERING: When making a donation to the church other than in your envelopes, please remember to put your envelope or your PAR number on the donation envelope. It is so much easier for our tellers. If you do not know your PAR number, please contact Marlene in the church office. THANK YOU.

LOOKING AHEAD: Annual meeting has been scheduled for Sunday, February 19th immediately following the worship service.

ANNUAL REPORTS should be submitted to Marlene no later than **Feb. 7th**. Sooner is better.

COMMITTEES SEEKING VOLUNTEERS! - Various Church committees are in the process of seeking volunteers to help fulfill the role and ministry of their committees beginning at the AGM in February 2017. If you are interested -- or know someone else who might be -- in the following roles, please contact Derek Ness - Acting Chair of Council (999-6554 / Derek.Ness@unb.ca), Rose-Hannah Gaskin, or Ellen Beairsto for more information:

- Council Chair
- Secretary, Wilmot Church Council
- Chair, Board of Trustees
- 2 M& P
- co-ordinator of ushers and greeters for Sunday worship

PLEASE NOTE: For the remainder of the winter of 2017, we will not use the large blue doors on Carleton Street. Instead, we ask you to enter via the other Carleton Street double doors from the parking lot. We do this to conserve heat and thereby lower operating costs. Thank you for your understanding.

CANCELLATION POLICY: In the event of a bad snow storm, you can check either the Wilmot website or the office voicemail to see if the building is open, or a service of worship has been cancelled. You can also call either Ellen (206-1943) or Rose-Hannah (292-1680).

SUNDAY TRANSPORTATION TO CHURCH: Winter is a difficult time to navigate sidewalks and streets. Many of our senior members no longer drive. If you would like a ride to/from church or can offer rides to someone that may be on your route, please contact Judy Coates 454-5631. She would like to create a list of drivers in various areas of the city who would be willing to transport someone occasionally to church.

NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH... contact Judy Coates 454-5631 judycoates@rogers.com transportation coordinator.

WILMOT SENIORS: Why don't you join us on Tuesday, Feb. 21st at 1:30 p.m. in the parlour for a fun afternoon of Bingo! As usual, there will be prizes and a delicious refreshment time which will be provided this month by Group 3. All seniors and retirees are warmly welcome!

*Shrove Tuesday
Pancake Dinner*



SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER! Shrove Tuesday (**Feb. 28**) is the day that Pancake Suppers will be held around the world. So mark the date and plan on joining us for a Delicious Pancake Supper (**5:00 – 6:30**). This has been successfully held many times here at Wilmot over the years and so we once again look forward to hosting it. Stay tuned for more details and feel free to call **Derek Ness (999-6554)**, **Judy Luton (459-1099)** or **Ellen (206-1943)** if you have any questions.

Ministers:

Rev. Rose-Hannah Gaskin
292-1680

Rev. Ellen Beairsto
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Ministers Emeriti:

Rev. Cliff Moase, Rev. Bob Jones

Organist: Virginia Leiter

Music Director: Steven Peacock

Office Administrator: Marlene Phillips

Sexton: Randy Randall

Church Office: 458-1066

Hours: Tues - Friday 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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THIS WEEK AT WILMOT

Jan. 29th - Feb. 5th

TODAY:

- 9:30 am ADULT BIBLE CONVERSATION - Board Room
11:00 am WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL
12:00 pm COFFEE & CONVERSATION
12:00 p.m. MEETING - REMITS - Parlour

Monday, Jan 30:

- 1:30 p.m. SPANISH CLASS - Parlour
6:30 p.m. LEGAL ADVICE CLINIC - various rooms
6:45 p.m. TOASTMASTERS CLUB - Board Room

Tuesday, Jan. 31:

- 7:00 p.m. MARTIAL ARTS - Gym

Wednesday, Feb. 1:

- 9:00 a.m. QUILTERS - Parlour
10:00 a.m. TOY LIBRARY
1:00 p.m. WEDNESDAY @ WILMOT
7:00 p.m. PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - Parlour
7:00 p.m. OUTREACH COMMITTEE - Board Room
7:00 p.m. NA GROUP - Fireside Room

Thursday, Feb. 2:

- 9:30 a.m. QUILTING and FELLOWSHIP (learn to quilt) - Parlour
6:30 p.m. HANDBELL CHOIR PRACTICE
7:00 p.m. MARTIAL ARTS -Gym
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Friday, Feb. 3:

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Saturday, Feb.4:

- 10:00 a.m. TOY LIBRARY
6:00 p.m. DROP-IN CENTRE

Sunday, Feb. 5 :

- 9:30 a.m. ADULT BIBLE CONVERSATION - Board Room
11:00 a.m. WORSHIP & S.S.
12:00 p.m. COFFEE & CONVERSATION