

ST GILES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



March 6, 2022

Greeting and Welcome

Leading in worship is our minister the Rev. Paul Wu.

We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors. Let us together know the joy and wonder of worshipping God.

There are sermon texts and large print bulletins available. Please speak with an usher. The church is fully accessible with an elevator, ramps and a properly-appointed washroom.

A Note on Our Worship

The symbol ** means please stand if you are able

Forward in Faith — Our Vision

St Giles Presbyterian Church seeks to be a welcoming, fully-alive faith community, which shares Christ's vision for the world and responds in a Christ-like manner to the present-day challenges of our society and world in partnership with all who seek to make Christ's vision for the world a present reality.

St Giles Presbyterian Church

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We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Algonquin Anishnaabeg People. The Algonquin peoples have lived on this land since time immemorial. We are grateful to have the opportunity to be present in this territory.

Prelude *Récit de Chromhorne* by François Couperin

Call to Worship

One: We live in the shelter of the Most High,

All: We abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

One: Let us worship God who is our refuge and our strength,

All: For God is the One in whom we trust.

One: The Lord will deliver us from the perils that threaten us.

All: Under God's wings, we will find refuge and not be afraid.

One: So let us praise God, in song and in silence, with thankful hearts!

All: We will worship God with heart, mind, soul and strength, now and always.

****Hymn: Come, let us to the Lord our God**

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**1. Come, let us to the Lord our God
with contrite hearts return;
our God is gracious, nor will leave
the desolate to mourn.**

**2. God's voice commands the tempest forth
and stills the stormy wave;
God's arm is strong and swift to strike,
but also strong to save.**

**3. The night of sorrow long has reigned,
but dawn shall bring us light;
God shall appear, and we shall rise
with gladness in God's sight.**

**4. Then let us know, let us press on
to know our God the Lord,
whose coming is as sure as dawn,
whose name shall be adored.**

**5. As dew upon the tender grass
diffusing fragrance round,
as rain that ushers in the spring
and cheers the thirsty ground,**

**6. so shall God's presence bless our souls
and shed a joyful light,
that hallowed morn shall chase away
the sorrows of the night.**

Children's Story

Prayer of Adoration

Almighty Triune God, we rejoice in your grace which has called creation into being, and makes all life complete. We praise you for Jesus Christ who reveals your loving purposes for all people. We bless you for the Holy Spirit who guides us and strengthens us, drawing us into the embrace of your tender love. And so we praise you, O God, our eternal, creating father who loves us with motherly care, united with Christ, our Saviour, and your Holy Spirit, the breath of life, Three in One, now and always.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty and most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in things we have done, and things we have neglected to do. We have held back from giving, to protect what we have. We have not trusted in your goodness; we let fear dictate our thoughts and actions. Forgive what we have done and direct who we shall become. Help us to serve you by serving your world with generous spirits.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

Hear and believe the good news! Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life is gone. The new life has come. Know that you are forgiven, and so, in Christ, forgive one another.

Scripture

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26: 1–11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling

for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Responsive Reading: 91:1–2, 9–16 (*with refrain 1*)



You who live in the shelter of the Most High,
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
will say to the Lord,
**"My refuge and my fortress;
my God, in whom I trust."**

Because you have made the Lord your refuge,
the Most High your dwelling place,
no evil shall befall you,
no scourge come near your tent.

**For the Lord will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.**

On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.

You will tread on the lion and the adder,
**the young lion and the serpent
you will trample under foot.**

Those who love me, I will deliver;
I will protect those who know my name.

When they call to me, I will answer them;

**I will be with them in trouble,
I will rescue them and honour them.
With long life I will satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.**

Second Reading: Luke 4: 1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.' Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Reader: This is the word of the Lord,
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem: *Laudate Dominum* (Psalm 117) by Wolfgang A. Mozart

Laudate Dominum omnes gentes	Praise the Lord, all nations;
Laudate eum, omnes populi	Praise Him, all people.
Quoniam confirmata est	For He has bestowed
Super nos misericordia eius	His mercy upon us,
Et veritas, veritas Domini manet,	And the truth of the Lord endures
manet in aeternum	forever.

Gloria Patri et Filio,	Glory to the Father and to the Son
Et Spiritui Sancto	and to the Holy Spirit,
Sicut erat in principio	as it was in the beginning,
Et nunc, et semper	is now, and forever,
Et in saecula saeculorum	and for generations of
Amen	generations. Amen

Sermon One Does Not Live By Bread Alone

Prayers of the People

****Hymn: O Master, let me walk with thee**

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1. **O Master, let me walk with thee
in lowly paths of service free;
tell me thy secret; help me bear
the strain of toil, the fret of care.**
2. **Help me the slow of heart to move
by some clear winning word of love;
teach me the wayward feet to stay,
and guide them in the homeward way.**
3. **Teach me thy patience; still with thee
in closer, dearer company,
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
in trust that triumphs over wrong,**
4. **in hope that sends a shining ray
far down the future's broadening way,
in peace that only thou canst give,
with thee, O Master, let me live.**

Passing of the Peace

Announcements

Offering

Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow 830
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Prayer of Dedication

****Hymn: Those who wait on the Lord**

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1. **Those who wait on the Lord**

Refrain

**shall renew their strength;
they shall rise upon wings as eagles;
they shall run and not be weary;
they shall walk and not faint:
help us, Lord; help us, Lord, in your way.**

2. **Those who serve the suffering world** *Refrain*

3. **Those who live the risen life** *Refrain*

4. **Those who love the Mystery** *Refrain*

5. **Those who die on the march** *Refrain*

6. **Those who wait on the Lord** *Refrain*

Benediction

Postlude *Plein Jeu* by François Couperin

We've Got Mail

The Ottawa Mission is very grateful for the gift of \$220, received on December 31, 2021. This donation will touch the lives of many lost and lonely people in our community, and give them gifts of hope and opportunity. On behalf of all those who now have hope for a much better life, we want to thank you for your wonderful gift. We are very grateful for your generosity.

Namrata Goyes, The Ottawa Mission

*This was money received in the open offering
on Christmas Eve, as is our tradition.*

Our Events

Monday, March 7 ~ 11:00 a.m.
Coffee Hour will meet by teleconference.

Thursday, March 10 ~ 3:00p.m.
Choir Practice

Friday, March 11 ~ 10:00 a.m.
Bible Study is continuing the study of Tobit by teleconference

Wednesday, April 6 ~ 7:00 p.m.
Taizé Service - Bring your friends and neighbours.

Tropical Storm Ana – Flooding in Malawi

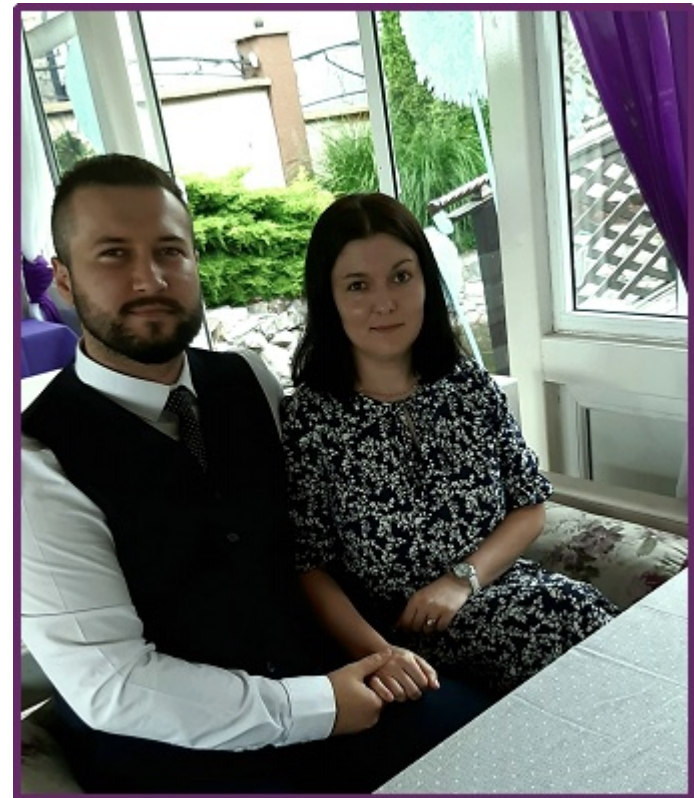
On January 24 and 25, much of southern Malawi was severely hit by heavy rain and strong wind caused by Tropical Storm Ana. The storm made landfall in Malawi, causing devastation so unprecedented that the President of Malawi declared the affected districts a state of disaster. There is a serious risk of water contamination, as most water points in affected areas have been affected. This raises significant concerns about the potential for waterborne disease outbreaks such as cholera.

PWS&D will be responding through our existing partners and networks. Thousands of people are in immediate need of food, shelter, and water and sanitation services. PWS&D is in contact with our partner in the area, Churches Action in Relief and Development (CARD), who are conducting a rapid needs survey to assess how best to respond.

You can donate through your envelope or by going to:
<https://presbyterian.ca/pwsd/2022/02/02/tropical-storm-ana/>

Mission Moment

The Reformed Church in Transcarpathia, Ukraine, has been struggling to recruit and retain pastors to serve in poor, rural churches. To encourage seminary students to return after studying abroad, the church started the Nest Program, which offers pastors a safe place to live. Bishop Zán-Fábián was overjoyed when The Presbyterian Church in Canada offered financial support to renovate a vacant parish house for the Rev. Sándor and his wife Noémi, who have agreed to serve in the small village of Tiszaújhely.



With financial assistance from **Presbyterians Sharing**, Sándor and Noémi have furnished their house with basic appliances and furniture and can now concentrate on their ministry in Tiszaújhely and give thanks to God.