

Welcome to *First-St Andrew's* **UNITED CHURCH**

Where liberal theology meets the best of tradition



March 11, 2018

Lent 4 - Partnering with Beth Emanuel Church

10:30 am



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Welcome



Together we all make up the family of First-St. Andrew's. If you are new to the family, please know that you are always welcome here. It would be our blessing to meet you after worship for Coffee and Conversation, and to share with you some of the many exciting things that are happening here at FSA. Rev. Michelle Down wants to hear from you! Please contact her at revmichelledown@fsaunited.com or on her cell at 519-709-9554 anytime.

Bold type indicates congregational response. * indicates to stand, if able.

Music to Enter into God's Presence:

Ich ruf zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ
(I call to You, Lord Jesus Christ)

J.P. Sweelinck

Ich ruf zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ is a chorale that has been set by many composers. This setting by Jan Pieter Sweelinck (1562-1621) is in four variants with the chorale tune coming in different parts. The setting is reflective of the lamenting theme of the text but always with glimmers of hope and longing for faith in life.

Welcome & Announcements:

Second invitation to FSA Annual General Meeting - Tuesday March 20, 2018
Dinner at 6pm - sponsored by your FSA staff, meeting will start at 7pm

Acknowledging the Traditional Territory

Lighting the Christ Candle and Memorial Candle:

Cara Bulmer

Today we light a candle in memory of Marion Veronica Jones (mother of Doug Jones) who passed away this week.

Music: MV #16 Confitemini Domino (Come and Fill Our Hearts) – Choir

Meditation Call to Worship and Lord's Prayer:

David Pederson



***Hymn:** VU #112 O God, How We Have Wandered

LANCASHIRE

Warming Up the World - Lenten Mission Moment: Beth Emanuel Church

Collecting pantry items, grocery gift cards &
tasty edible items for children's food crafts



Next week: Camp Kee-Mo-Kee - Cookies for Camp

***Hymn:** VU#603 In Loving Partnership We Come – verse 3

PARTNERSHIP

Loving community we seek; your hope and strength within us move.
The poor and rich, the strong and weak are brought together in your love.
(Children leave for Sunday School)

Anthem: God So Loved the World

Bob Chilcott

Scripture: Numbers 21:4-9

David Girvan

Message: A Covenant, A Confession, A Commitment.

Prayer of Confession:

David Pederson

Assurance of Pardon:

David Pederson

***Hymn:** VU #258 O World of God

JERUSALEM

Offering

Offertory Music: When We Are in Deepest Need

J.S. Bach

***Offertory Refrain:** VU #120 O Jesus, I Have Promised - verse 1

DAY OF REST

O Jesus, I have promised to serve you to the end;
remain for ever near me, my Saviour and my friend:
I shall not fear the journey if you are by my side,
nor wander from the pathway if you will be my guide.

***Prayers of Dedication**

Stewardship Seconds:

Stewardship practices all God's love to act in our lives, bringing us out of our wilderness experiences.

***Hymn:** VU #274 Your Hand, O God, Has Guided

THORNBURY

***Blessing and Benediction:** Our Covenant of Commitment

***Benediction Response:** VU #121 Tree of Life and Awesome Mystery - verse 4

Give us eyes to see you clearly,
make us children of your light;
give us hearts to live more nearly
as your gospel shining bright,
as your gospel shining bright.

Music to Commission Us Into Service and Witness:

Ricercar brevis

J.P. Sweelinck



The Leadership in Today's Service Includes:

Welcoming Ushers: Jane Westmorland, Barb Williamson, Liz Mignotte, Kay Hillier

Narthex Co-ordinator: Jean Knowles

Coffee & Conversation: UCW

Service Support Staff: Ron Bradley

We thank God for all those who share their gifts and talents.

First-St. Andrew's United Church Staff

Rev. Michelle Down Minister of Worship and Congregational Life

Rev. Dr David McKane Visitation Minister, Minister Emeritus

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Kathryn Skelly Administrative Assistant

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