

# Stewardship Is...



## Love in Action

## October 21, 2018 Stewardship Sunday 10:30 am



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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: Voluntary in d minor

Voluntary in G major

William Boyce John Stanley

**Welcome & Announcements** 

Minute for Stewardship: Kerry Hill

**Acknowledging the Traditional Territory:** 

Stacey Sheldrick-Fonseca

One: Please join our voices and our Spirits together with those of our Ancestors and

Elders as we acknowledge the traditional territories of our forbearers.

ALL: Long before those of us who are settlers, and those of us who are

descendants of settlers, came to this land, there were people here.

One: Many nations of people lived—and live—on the land we call Canada, given

responsibility by the Creator to be stewards of this land and all that lives on it.

ALL: Today, as we remember what it means to live thankfully, let us give

thanks for the First Nations of this land—and let us remember that we worship God on the historic territory of the Anishinaabe,

Attawandaron, Huron and Wendat Peoples.

One: As Christ's people, let us be people of Love, of Truth, and of Reconciliation.

**Lighting the Christ Candle:** 

Harrison, Thompson & Max Silcox

Music MV #154 Deep in Our Hearts - choir

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#### **Stewardship Seconds:**

The place God calls you is the place where your deep gladness and the world's hunger meet.

--Fredrick Buechner

#### **Call to Worship:**

Stacey Sheldrick-Fonseca

One: Our journey has taken us on many roads.

ALL: First, the unnamed road between Jerusalem and Jericho, where we

found both the victim and the Good Samaritan.

One: Then the road through the pasture where we saw both Sheep and Goats. **ALL:** Then the road through James, where the GPS pointed us to the

"Perfect Law. The Law of Love."

One: Then we traveled together with Gratitude, Grace and Generosity, as we learned

of the upcoming famine.

ALL: We have traveled with Wonder and Hope as God's people, and Christ's

disciples on the road that travels through the heart of our

relationships.

One: Today we gather as Stewards of Legacy, Stewards of Opportunity.

ALL: May we offer our best selves, and overflow like that waters of

Baptism, in response to Christ's call.

#### **Opening Prayer and Lord's Prayer:**

Stacey Sheldrick-Fonseca

\*Hymn: VU #706 Give Thanks for Life

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Forming Young Faith: Stewardship is: Sharing God's Gifts that are in Us. Let's Watch

them Overflow!

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.

Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.

Exultemus, et in ipso iucundemur.

Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.

Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen.

Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him. Let us fear, and let us love the living God.

And may we love each other with a sincere heart. Amen.

Anthem: Ubi Caritas Maurice Duruflé

**Scripture:** 2 Corinthians 9:10-15 Gerry Meacham

**Sermon:** When Stewardship Comes In...Our Heart Goes Out.

\*Hymn: VU #584 Through the Heart of Every City

**Pledge Cards** 

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### Offering

Offertory Music: Trinitas – II

Eleanor Daley

based on the text: "To the thirsty I will give water without price from the fountain of life" - Revelation 21:6

\*Offertory Response: VU#581 When We Are Living – verses 1 & 4 SOMOS DEL SENOR

When we are living, it is in Christ Jesus, and when we're dying, it is in the Lord. Both in our living and in our dying, we belong to God, we belong to God.

Across this wide world, we shall always find those who are crying with no peace of mind,

but when we help them, or when we feed them, we belong to God, we belong to God.

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#### **Prayers of Dedication**

\*Hymn: VU#412 This Is the Day THIS IS THE DAY

\*Blessing and Benediction

\*Benediction Response: VU#420 Go to the World - verse 4 SINE NOMINE

Go to the world! Go as the ones I send, for I am with you 'til the age shall end, when all the hosts of glory cry "Amen!". Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Words; First Line: Go to the world! Go into all the earth; Contributors: Sylvia G. Dunstan; Text: © 1991 GIA Publications, Inc.; Reprinted under ONE LICENSE #A-729129

**Music to Commission Us Into Service and Witness:** 

Festive Postlude

James Pethel

#### **The Leadership in Today's Service Includes:**

Welcoming Ushers: Russ Knight, Gerry Meacham, Ardath Finnbogason-Hill, Kerry Hill

Narthex Co-ordinator: Joan Bancroft

Coffee and Conversation: Jim & Jan Hendry and Mason Robichaud

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