



SERVING TODAY

Children's Ministry - Cathy Choi (Sophie Choi and Amy Ramella at craft table)
Chair Life - Ephraim Francisco
Coffee Fellowship - Wendy Lee and Aimee Alindayo
Counting - Gord Dickie and Ben Jensen
Greeting - Dianne Cabral
Ushering - Marissa Francisco



LAST WEEK - Attendance Zoom / in person = 114
 Offering = \$3,680.00

For e-transfer offerings - offerings@bridlewoodpc.org

The Week @ Bridlewood PC

BRIDLEWOOD PRESBYTERIAN

Sun. 24 4th Sunday of Advent Christmas Eve
 Worship Service - via ZOOM and in-person
 Candlelight Service 10:30 am

Wed. 27 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 7:00 pm
 ALL DAY

Thur. 28 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED ALL DAY

Sun. 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE WORSHIP &
 COMMUNION SERVICE 10:30am

PRAY FOR OUR FRIENDS

AMICA (Toronto) Hazel Quan	Giah Purificacion Bill van Zyl
Centenary Hospital Wilma Castle	Oshawa, ON June Macaulay
Home Margaret D'Aguiar Linda Giles David Leggett Bev Money	Shepherd Village "Lodge" Velma Bricker / Marva Khan
	Sunnybrook Hospital Richard Hosein

**OFFICE HOURS: 9:00 A.M. TO 12:00 NOON
 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29 ONLY**

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**CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICE
 DECEMBER 24, 2023**



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ORDER OF SERVICE

GATHERING

Prelude
Welcome and Call To Worship
Candle Lighting and Litany

*Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne
Your Love O Lord*

Prayer of Confession
Good News and Passing of Peace

Hark The Herald Angels Sing

Ministry of Music: - Choir
"Silent Night (God's Great Love)"

WORD

Scripture – Luke 1:26-38
Sermon – **"Love"**

TABLE/RESPONSE

Offering
Ministry Update
Prayer of Intercession

SENDING

Once In Royal David's City
Benediction
Postlude

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THOU DIDST LEAVE THY THRONE

W&C #127 (vs 1,2,4,5)

Thou didst leave Thy throne
and Thy kingly crown
When Thou camest to earth for me;
But in Bethlehem's home was there
found no room
For Thy holy nativity.

Chorus

***O come to my heart, Lord Jesus
There is room in my heart for Thee!***

Heaven's arches rang when the angels sang,
Proclaiming Thy royal decree;
But of lowly birth didst Thou come to earth,
And in great humility.

Thou camest, O Lord, with the living word
That should set Thy people free;
But with mocking scorn and with
crown of thorn
They bore Thee to Calvary.

When the heav'ns shall ring
and the angels sing
At Thy coming to victory,
Let Thy voice call me home, saying,
"Yet there is room
There is room at My side for thee."

YOUR LOVE O LORD

Mac Powell et al

Your love O Lord reaches to the heavens
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky
Your righteousness is like the mighty
mountains
Your justice flows like the ocean's tide

Chorus

***I will lift my voice to worship
You my King
I will find my strength in the shadow
of Your wings***

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

W&C # 133

Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies;
With th' angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"

***Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King."***

Christ, by highest heav'n adored;
Christ, the Everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of the Virgin's womb:
Veiled in flesh the God-head see;
Hail th'incarnate Deity,
Pleased as Man with men to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Ris'n with healing in His wings.
Mild, He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.

ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY

W&C # 155 (vs 1,2, 4)

Once in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her Baby
In a manger for His bed:
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little Child.

He came down to earth from heaven
Who is God and Lord of all,
And His shelter was a stable,
And His cradle was a stall:
With the poor and mean and lowly
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

Not in that poor lowly stable,
With the oxen standing by,
We shall see Him; but in heaven,
Set at God's right hand on high;
When, like stars, His children crowned
All in white shall wait around.

WHAT IS "LEADING WITH CARE"?

"Leading with Care is a Policy for Ensuring a Climate of Safety for Children, Youth and Vulnerable Adults in The Presbyterian Church in Canada"

The Leading with Care policy is not about us as individuals. It is about us as a body of Christ—a denomination—trying to ensure the highest quality of ministry by offering our best to Christ and working to make sure that the worst does not happen. It is a time for entering the age of lost innocence, whether real or imagined.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada is committed to providing safe environments for all persons, including children, youth, vulnerable adults, and those who minister to and with them. The church's ministry includes times of worship, service, study and play in all milieus (e.g. church courts, congregations, camps) that fall under the jurisdiction of The Presbyterian Church in Canada. All staff, both volunteer and paid, must support this policy.

For more information about "Leading with Care" in the Presbyterian Church in Canada, visit the [PCC website](#) or speak to David Townsend.

MISSION MOMENTS

Sunday, DECEMBER 24, 2023

Through Presbyterians Sharing we shine Christ's light in Canada and around the world. We are there when a prisoner in Malawi discovers Christ's love through Bible study, and when an Indigenous woman in Taiwan reads the Bible in her own language for the first time. We are there when a congregation adapts to meet community needs in new ways and when a theological student in Canada, Malawi, Nigeria, Ghana or Beirut graduates, ready to serve God. We are there when a child receives a healthy snack and after-school support from an inner-city ministry, and when a refugee claimant needs a friend. We are also there for one another as we pray, serve and share the gifts God has given us. When we put our gifts in God's hands, God does remarkable things!

DONATIONS TO THE COMMUNITY

48 pairs of mittens were delivered this past week to **Highland Heights PS** for which they were extremely grateful.

Agincourt Community Services also received numerous food gift cards, non-perishable food items and several bags of hats, scarves and mittens for the less fortunate clientele.

Thank you everyone who contributed and expressed your love, care and concern in the various ways you have done, and may God's blessings rest on those receiving these items as, no doubt, you were also blessed in giving.

DAILY PRAYER TOPICS

Sunday, December 24 – Advent IV – Christmas Eve – As we light the candle of love, pray that we may all know how to show love to those in our church community, and that God may open our eyes to recognize new people in our sanctuaries today and to welcome them warmly.

Monday, December 25 – Christmas Day – Pray for those who are celebrating Christmas alone, and especially those who have lost a loved one in this past year.

Tuesday, December 26 – Pray for the Ghanaian Presbyterian Church, Toronto, Ontario, as they seek unity in song, dance, praise, and adoration of the Lord. Pray for their pastor, the Rev. George Agyei Kwabi.

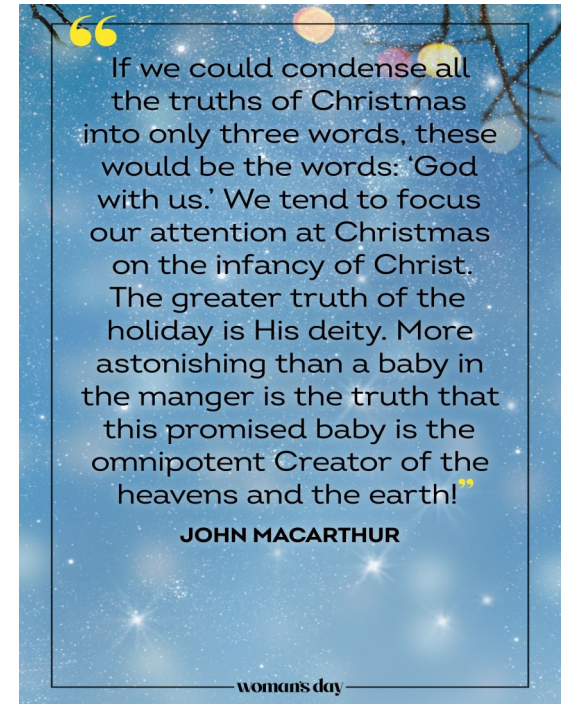
Wednesday, December 27 – Remember Christians living in many nations around the world who are threatened because of their faith.

Thursday, December 28 – Give thanks for the new members of the *Renewal Fellowship* who are supporting the ministry with prayers and donations, and for the Rev. Robin Ross, who continues to share our ministry on the website – renewal-fellowship.ca

Friday, December 29 – Pray for safety for a team of teens from St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Leaskdale, Ontario, as they travel tomorrow to Dominican Republic to support a partner church by hosting a Christmas Camp for 300 Dominican children. Pray that our Lord may grow a missionary heart within the youth that will shape their whole lives.

Saturday, December 30 – Pray that pastors within the Presbyterian Church in Canada may be strong in their faith and lifted up by the Holy Spirit, and that their work may bear fruit through lives saved, hearts changed, and minds renewed by the God revealed in the Bible.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT **“LOVE”**



POINSETTIAS IN MEMORY OF:

Cec and Kay Adams = grandson, Mark.

Peter and Jean Friberg = daughter-in-law, Janine Friberg.

Flo and Ted Sanford = parents, Hugh and Luella Thompson
Pat Hayman - her mother.

Margaret Millius = parents Rev. Bert and Lorna van Mossel .

A list of those being remembered is included in this week's bulletin.

The plants can be sent to the Shut-in folk on Christmas Eve to bring them some cheer for the Season or you can take them home to decorate your own place. ***Please do not leave them at the church after Christmas Eve as there will be no one here to water them.***

