

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Thunder Bay

September 1st, 2019

12th Sunday after Pentecost

*indicates please stand if you are able

Bolded passages are to be spoken in unison by the congregation

Minister: Rev. Joyce Yanishewski

We Prepare for Worship

Prelude *Fantasia in G (Part 2)* JS Bach

Lighting of Christ Candle

Words of Welcome

We Worship God

Call to Worship

Jesus said, "Love one another, even as I have loved you."

Love is more powerful than fear; it is mightier than hatred.

Let the love which God has lavished upon us be poured out to those in need.

Help us, O Lord, to witness to you by the ways in which we care for others.

Remind us, Lord, that we are called to be your disciples.

As we worship this morning, heal our hearts and spirits and prepare us for service.

<https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/4125/worship-connection-september-1-2019>

***Hymn** *The love of God comes close* **474**

Opening Prayer

Call to Confession

Generous God, we confess often fall short of the kindness and compassion we meet in Jesus.

Prayer of Confession

You have blessed us in so many ways and yet we want more. You have welcomed us like guests to a banquet, yet we find it hard to welcome a stranger in church. You have shown us what matters most in life, but we are distracted by our worries, busy with things that do not matter. Forgive us, O God, and teach us to honour you in all that we do and say, for the sake of Christ, our Saviour and our Friend. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

We Listen for God's Word

***Hymn** *Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love* **229**

Children's Time

Sharing a sign of peace

Peace be with you. **And also with you**

Community Life Announcements

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

❖ Proverbs 25:6-7

❖ Luke 14:1, 7-14

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Message

We Respond to God's Word

***Hymn** *Blest are they* **624**

Offering

Organist's Offering of Music *Picardy (French Folk Tune) arr.* Charles Callahan

Doxology *Praise God from whom all blessings flow* **79**

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

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Prayer of Dedication

O God, bless the offerings we make today, as well as the time, talent, and concern we will offer you this week. Keep our hearts free of worry so that we can give what we have freely, trusting your Spirit to accomplish more than we can ask or imagine in Christ's name. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Please respond to the words, “God, in your mercy” with
“**Hear our prayer**”.

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 heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

We are Sent out as God’s People

***Hymn** *How firm a foundation* **685**

Benediction

Postlude *Fantasia in G (Part 1)* JS Bach

