

GIBSON MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH
FREDERICTON, N.B.

January 20, 2019 11:00a.m. Second Sunday after Epiphany

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

*denotes standing for those who are able

PRELUDE WELCOME ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE APPROACH GOD

“All we have to decide is what to do with the time that is given us.”

...J.R.R. Tolkien, The Fellowship of the Ring

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP: (inspired by the hymn “Take Time to Be Holy”

One: Take time to be holy,

All: to live in the moment.

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All: to live each day as if it was the full final day of our extraordinary ordinary lives.

Together: We’re all travelling through time together and all we can do is relish this remarkable ride. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN: “Morning Has Broken” 409

OPENING PRAYER: God of endless ages, we thank you that you are there to cheer us on and to guide us through the dark of night. Inspire us to slow down—to turn off our televisions, iPads, computers and phones—to make time to spend with those we love. Many of us live as if there is no tomorrow, thinking that there will always be that second chance for a family dinner, school concert or hockey game. Help us to love now. Help us to be there for others now. Help us to enjoy our loved ones and this day now and forever more. Amen.

CHILDREN’S HYMN: “Come, Children, Join to Sing” 345

CONVERSATION TIME



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Potluck Lunch
January 27th
All are welcome!

Reverend Kelly's Hours in 2019: Kelly is in the office Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings. She can be reached at 457-1735. Her email address is revkellygibson@nb.aibn.com. Her day off is Monday. The community outreach program where food and vouchers are given out to those in need happens on Tuesday mornings. Home visits including nursing homes happens in the afternoons on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. Friday is reserved for sermon writing and emergency pastoral care. **If you have not had a visit yet and would like one please let her know.** She wants to visit with everyone. ☺

Reminder: If you go into the hospital through the Emergency Department and **are admitted your name will not appear** on the United Church Clergy Visitor's list. So please remember if you want a hospital visit from Kelly to please let her know. If you do not let her know that you have been admitted she cannot visit you. Your name will not be on the list. Thank you. ☺

MISSION & OUTREACH NEWS:

The cupboard is in need of **peanut butter, bread & eggs!** Thanks so very much for the pasta and sauce. THANKS for your continued support!

Your 2018 Tax Receipts are available in the Narthex.

Upcoming Community Events:

Jan. 31 – Feb. 1 Collective Theatrics presents THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME at the Tom Morrison Theatre: 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$25.
Musical Director: **Heather Fyffe**

Notice from Greenwood Drive Baptist Church: We are in need of good, warm blankets for our Clothing Bank (free clothing bank every Wednesday morning, 9-11am). We have approximately 100 visitors every week that are in need. If people would like to donate there is an orange donation box beside the building they can drop off at any time. If there are any questions, they can call the office at 452-8593. Thank you.

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

RESPONSIVE PSALM: Psalm 71 Part One (1-6) 789

HEBREW LESSON: Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8

SERMON: "It is Time..."

MINISTRY OF MUSIC Heather Fyffe

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF AND FOR THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung) 959

**OFFERTORY and PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS
*THE DOXOLOGY: 541**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures high and low;
give thanks to God in love made known:
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.**

***OFFERTORY PRAYER: God of a gentle spirit, inspire us to reach out in gentleness to the wounded of this world. Your prophets remind us that you need us to continue doing justice and loving kindness every day. Inspire us to speak gently, give graciously and live passionately. We pray in the name of the itinerant Jewish Rabbi who spoke of welcoming strangers and loving enemies. Amen.**

***CLOSING HYMN: "In the Bulb There Is a Flower" 703**

***COMMISSIONING and BENECTION**

