



## **Kirk News**

### **Welcome!**

We would like to welcome you to our service today. We are happy to have you and we hope that you will find our worship engaging and our community welcoming. We hope to see you again in the coming weeks.

### **Large Print Bulletins**

Large print bulletins are available at the main doors.

### **Nursery**



Nursery is available for children from birth to age four.

Please feel free to make use of this area for whatever needs you have and if there is anything you require please ask our nursery attendants who will be happy to help you.

### **Children's Worship**

There is a children's worship class available downstairs for children ages 4 and up.

### **Receivers and Headphones Available**

We have an assisted hearing device installed and receivers and headphones are available for use during the Service. If you would like to use them, please speak to the person at the sound system.

### **Fellowship Time**

Please join us for fellowship time today in the upper hall following the morning service with Kay Diviney and Tanner Burns as our hosts.



### **This Week's Music**

Caleb Simper (1856-1942), a prolific composer of Victorian church music, Caleb Simper was a humble musician whose choral works sold in vast quantities, rightly deserving their publisher's accolade as being sung throughout the civilised world. Born in Wiltshire in 1857, Simper was largely self-taught. He attempted a number of professions, including piano tuning, before finding his vocation as an organist. His organ music is considered appropriate for those with limited ability.

The anthem is a particularly cheerful view of the world, appropriate for this time of year!

### **200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Kirk**

From the time of its founding in 1825, our congregation has been a beacon of Christian worship and service in the Charlottetown community. In 2025 we will celebrate our past and look to the future with a series of activities to mark the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Kirk - more on this as the year unfolds. Designed by David Robinson, the Kirk 200 logo on the bulletin cover shows distinctive features of the first Kirk building, as well as the Kirk we know and love today.

### **Livestream Videos**

There have been difficulties recently with the quality of the livestream and YouTube videos of our worship service. We ask our online viewers to bear with us as we upgrade our equipment over the next few weeks to provide more consistent and higher quality audio and video.

### **Pastoral Care**

If any pastoral care concerns arise then please contact Rev. Amanda at 902-894-5382.

### **Free Counselling Services**

Sonder Wellness & Consulting has two RCT counselling interns offering free counselling services until August 2025. Brenda Cowell is based in Halifax and will be offering virtual appointments serving adolescent, adults and senior populations. Valerie Acorn is based in PEI and will be offering both virtual and in person serving children (7+), adolescent, adults and senior populations. More information can be found at <https://www.sonderwellness.ca>.

### **Annual Report**

The annual meeting will be held on Sunday, March 9. Just a reminder to all Chairs of each Committee, that a report from your committee will be needed for the Annual Report. They need to be passed in to the office by Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **Join us for our first ever Souper Sunday!**

On Sunday February 16<sup>th</sup> we will be kicking off our first ever soup competition. Folks are invited to take a crock pot of their favourite homemade soup and the congregation will be invited to test out the selections and vote for their favourite entry. The winner will receive bragging rights for the year! Entrants are invited to send the name of their soup and list of ingredients to be printed ahead of time. If anyone has a crock pot that can be used for the event please let the office now. Join us for this fun, light hearted event as we warm up our bellies with soup, and our hearts with community.



### **Worship Committee Volunteers**

The worship committee is seeking a few people to be part of an altar guild. This guild would be responsible for being on top of some of the moving pieces of worship, like making sure the hymn numbers are changed, the altar falls are the right colour for the season, flowers are freshened up, for example. We are grateful to those who are already seeing to these tasks, but we would like a list of people who will be responsible for them, so nothing falls through the cracks. If interested, please see Jocelyne Lloyd or let the office know.