

Parkminster United Church
Sunday, June 25, 2017



Reflection: Lisa Hicknell

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Reflection: “True Patriot Love” – Lisa Hicknell

LARGE PRINT Bulletins, Voices United Hymn Books and Bibles are available from the ushers.

BULLETIN NOTATIONS:

★ Signal to stand, for those who are able.

VU~Voices United Hymn book **MV**~More Voices Hymn book

Welcome Visitors! We're glad to have you worshipping with us at Parkminster and would like to make sure you feel connected. Please take a few minutes to fill out one of the white information envelopes found in the pews and place it on the offering plate, or put it in the mail slot outside the office. Whether you'd like more information about Parkminster's programs, want to request offering envelopes, or have a question about becoming a member – or whatever else is important to you, we'd love to hear from you! Welcome!

SEEKING PEACE

Prelude: “There is a Fountain” *arr. by Brad Nix*

★ Introit: “For the Healing of the Nations” 🎵 VU #678

Welcome

One: Today we think back one hundred years to the Battle of Vimy Ridge. We bring the gift of memory to this moment, and consider the sacrifice of many in this key World War 1 battle. We think of the place Vimy has in our nation’s story and try to learn its lessons for our 2017 world.

As well, we remember our relationship with First People. With gratitude and respect, we recognize the Six Nations tribes on whose traditional land we

make our spiritual home. We acknowledge, with regret, that this history has not always been respectful. We commit to just relationship in the present.

All: Seeking true community, we welcome all who have no church home, need strength, and are seeking deep meaning. Welcome to those who have doubts or who do not believe. Welcome to those whose faith is sure, and to those who believe, but who are asking large questions.

One: Welcome to visitors and to familiar friends. Welcome to grandparents, to mothers, fathers, youth and children, couples, and single people.

All: Welcome to people of all colours, gender identities, abilities, and sexual orientations.

One: Welcome to each who is searching for meaning, who is seeking an understanding of community and what it means to accompany one another.

All: As we come together as church, we turn to one another with gratitude and pray that we will be strong together, faithful together, and loving together. We seek blessing as we affirm our faith in the power of love and the gift of the spirit.

Joys and Concerns

Welcoming One Another

★ Children's Song: "Come All You People"  MV #2

Story Time

Following the story time, children and youth will leave for Sunday Morning Activities. Happy Learning!

For babies and toddlers, there is the Family Worship Space at the back of the sanctuary. Each week, there will be an adult present so that the children can play and be cared for while parents worship. Parents are free to come and go from that space, according to the needs of their children.

Opening Our Hearts

Silence

Gratitude for Canada

Hope for Canada

Prayer for Purpose and Peace

♪ Song:

**I am becoming peace.
I am becoming peace,
a well of patience, well of grace,
make my soul a holy place.
I am becoming peace.**

SEEKING UNDERSTANDING

Ministry of Music: “Why We Build a Wall” *by Anais Mitchell*
(*Jamie Hofman, soloist*)

📖 Scripture: Micah 4: 2 - 5 (OT, pg. 864)

About Scripture

Today’s scripture is written by the prophet Micah in the last quarter of the 8th century, BCE. He lived and prophesied in

Offering Prayer, said by all:

Today brings hope and possibility. It brings new life and new beginnings. Today is one more opportunity to affirm our deep faith that in spite of our fears, love is stronger than death.

Our calling is to make this hope live for others. We offer our gifts for the sake of transformation and the promise of new life for all. Amen

Decommissioning of the Transition Team

Prayers for True Patriot Love

★ Hymn: "Let There Be Light"  VU #679

★ Sung Alleluia  MV #52

Postlude "Gavotte in E Minor" *by J.M. Leclair*

Thank you to everyone who has offered their gift of time to volunteer in various ways this Sunday:

Ushers: Jenny & Joe Sheldon; Abbie & Gabriel Hicknell

Greeters:..... Virginia McQuay; Marilyn Hill

Lay Readers: Barb Pryor

Candle Lighter: Poppy Hicknell

Musicians: Jamie Hofman, soloist

Chancel Arrangements: Ruth Farley

Juice Hour: Shirley Elliott

The Ministry of Parkminster: All of us

Ministry of Word, Sacrament & Pastoral Care (Interim):

..... Rev. Meg Grieve (ext. 23)

Music Director:..... Neil Murray (ext. 25)

Office Administrator: Melanie Chisholm (ext. 21)

Custodian: Allen Switzer (ext. 26)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(please refer to the weekly "What's Up" email for a complete listing)

Pastoral Care – Rev. Meg Grieve

If you or anyone in the congregation requires pastoral care support, or you become aware of someone who might be ill, in hospital or in need of some support, please contact Meg at church, **519-885-0935, ext. 23** or by email at **rev.meg.parkminster@gmail.com**

Summer Worship Needs Your Help

Because of vacation schedules, House Groups are not operating during the summer. Volunteers are needed during July and August for greeting, ushering, as lay readers and to provide juice/lemonade. **Sign-up sheets are in the upper hall.** Your help would be greatly appreciated!

Summer Students!

We welcome **Laura From** and **Ceiline Zhang** to the summer staff at Parkminster. The congregation is welcome to come and meet them both at the Wednesday night Food Truck event.

Neil Murray Night – Tickets Now on Sale!

Saturday, September 30 @ 7:30pm - Navy Club in Waterloo

Pick up or reserve your tickets today after church!

Cost: \$20 per person; \$10 students/teens. Cash/cheque/pay at the door. You may also buy/reserve tickets from the church office (519-885-0935) or call Bruce Mutton (519-894-1687). Thank you for your support!

Extreme Hunger Appeal

Government is matching donations to help African Extreme Hunger until June 30. For details visit <http://www.united-church.ca/hunger-appeal> .

Facebook Update

If you have any events to advertise, photos from events you'd like to share, or have any questions about Parkminster's social media, **please email Laura Mutton at mutton.laura@gmail.com**