

Colours of the Church Year 2023

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The Common Lectionary – 2023

December 2022

- 4 Advent 2: Isaiah 11:1–10; Psalm 72:1–7, 18–19; Romans 15:4–13; Matthew 3:1–12
- 11 Advent 3: Isaiah 35:1-10; Psalm 146:5-10
- OR Luke 1:46b-55; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11 18 Advent 4: Isaiah 7:10-16; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19;
- Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-25 24/25 Christmas Eve/Day: Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 96;
- Titus 2:11–14; Luke 2:1–14, (15–20)

January

- 1 Isaiah 63:7-9; Psalm 148; Hebrews 2:10-18; Matthew 2:13-23 (New Year's Day) Ecclesiastes 3:1-13; Psalm 8;
- Revelation 21:1-6a; Matthew 25:31-46 Epiphany: Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12
- 8 Baptism of the Lord: Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:13-17
- 15 Isaiah 49:1–7; Psalm 40:1–11; 1 Corinthians 1:1–9; John 1:29–42
- 22 Isaiah 9:1-4; Psalm 27:1, 4-9; 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23
- 29 Micah 6:1–8; Psalm 15; 1 Corinthians 1:18–31; Matthew 5:1–12

February

- 5 (PWS&D Sunday) Isaiah 58:1-9a, (9b-12); Psalm 112:1-9, (10); 1 Corinthians 2:1-12, (13-16); Matthew 5:13-20
- 12 Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 119:1-8; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-37
- 19 Transfiguration Sunday (Heritage Sunday): Exodus 24:12–18; Psalm 2 OR Psalm 99; 2 Peter 1:16–21; Matthew 17:1–9
- 22 Ash Wednesday: Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 OR Isaiah 58:1-12; Psalm 51:1-17; 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21
- 26 Lent 1: Genesis 2:15–17; 3:1–7; Psalm 32; Romans 5:12–19; Matthew 4:1–11

March

- 5 Lent 2: Genesis 12:1-4a; Psalm 121; Romans 4:1-5,
 13-17; John 3:1-17 OR Matthew 17:1-9
- 12 Lent 3: Exodus 17:1–7; Psalm 95; Romans 5:1–11; John 4:5–42
- 19 Lent 4: 1 Samuel 16:1–13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5:8–14; John 9:1–41
- 26 Lent 5: Ezekiel 37:1–14; Psalm 130; Romans 8:6–11; John 11:1–45

April

- 2 Palm Sunday / Passion Sunday: Liturgy of the Palms: Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Matthew 21:1-11 Liturgy of the Passion: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31: 9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 26:14-27:66
 - OR Matthew 27:11–54

 Maundy Thursday: Exodus 12:1–4, (5–10), 11–14;
 Psalm 116:1–2, 12–19; 1 Corinthians 11:23–26;
- John 13:1-17, 31b-35
 Good Friday: Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 22;
 Hebrews 10:16-25 OR Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9;
- John 18:1-19:42

 Holy Saturday: Job 14:1-14 OR Lamentations 3:1-9, 19-24: Pealm 31:1-4, 15-16: 1 Peter 4:1-8:
- 19-24; Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16; 1 Peter 4:1-8; Matthew 27:57-66 OR John 19:38-42 9 Easter Sunday: Acts 10:34-43 OR Jeremiah 31:1-6;
- Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Colossians 3:1-4 OR Acts 10:34-43; John 20:1-18 OR Matthew 28:1-10
- 16 Acts 2:14a, 22–32; Psalm 16; 1 Peter 1:3–9; John 20:19–31
- 23 Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19; 1 Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35
- 30 (Mission Awareness Sunday) Acts 2:42–47; Psalm 23; 1 Peter 2:19–25; John 10:1–10

May

- 7 Acts 7:55-60; Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16; 1 Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14
- 14 (Christian Family Sunday) Acts 17:22–31; Psalm 66:8–20; 1 Peter 3:13–22; John 14:15–21
- 18 Ascension Day: Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 93; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-5321 (Healing & Reconciliation Sunday) Acts 1:6-14;

Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35; 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11;

John 17:1-11
28 Pentecost: Acts 2:1-21 OR Numbers 11:24-30;
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13
OR Acts 2:1-21; John 20:19-23 OR John 7:37-39

June

- 4 Trinity Sunday (General Assembly Sunday): Genesis 1:1-2:4a; Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; Matthew 28:16-20
- 11 Genesis 12:1-9 and Psalm 33:1-12 OR Hosea 5:15-6:6 and Psalm 50:7-15; Romans 4:13-25; Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26
- 18 (National Indigenous Peoples Sunday) Genesis 18:1–15, (21:1–7) and Psalm 116:1–2, 12–19 OR Exodus 19:2–8a and Psalm 100; Romans 5:1–8; Matthew 9:35–10:8, (9–23)

25 Genesis 21:8–21 and Psalm 86:1–10, 16–17 OR Jeremiah 20:7–13 and Psalm 69:7–10, (11–15), 16–18; Romans 6:1b–11; Matthew 10:24–39

July

- 2 Genesis 22:1-14 and Psalm 13 OR Jeremiah 28:5-9 and Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18; Romans 6:12-23; Matthew 10:40-42
- 9 Genesis 24:34–38, 42–49, 58–67 and Psalm 45:10–17 OR Song of Solomon 2:8–13 OR Zechariah 9:9–12 and Psalm 145:8–14; Romans 7:15–25a; Matthew 11:16–19, 25–30
- 16 Genesis 25:19-34 and Psalm 119:105-112 OR Isaiah 55:10-13 and Psalm 65:(1-8), 9-13; Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23
- 23 Genesis 28:10-19a and Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24 OR Isaiah 44:6-8 and Psalm 86:11-17; Romans 8:12-25; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43
- 30 Genesis 29:15–28 and Psalm 105:1–11, 45b OR Psalm 128 OR 1 Kings 3:5–12 and Psalm 119:129– 136; Romans 8:26–39; Matthew 13:31–33, 44–52

August

- 6 Genesis 32:22–31 and Psalm 17:1–7, 15 OR Isaiah 55:1–5 and Psalm 145:8–9, 14–21; Romans 9:1–5; Matthew 14:13–21
- 13 Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 and Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b OR 1 Kings 19:9-18 and Psalm 85:8-13; Romans 10:5-15; Matthew 14:22-33
- 20 Genesis 45:1–15 and Psalm 133 OR Isaiah 56:1, 6–8 and Psalm 67; Romans 11:1–2a, 29–32; Matthew 15:(10–20), 21–28
- 27 Exodus 1:8-2:10 and Psalm 124 OR Isaiah 51:1-6 and Psalm 138; Romans 12:1-8; Matthew 16:13-20

September

- 3 Exodus 3:1-15 and Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b OR Jeremiah 15:15-21 and Psalm 26:1-8; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28
- 10 Exodus 12:1-14 and Psalm 149 OR Ezekiel 33:7-11 and Psalm 119:33-40; Romans 13:8-14; Matthew 18:15-20
- 17 Exodus 14:19–31 and Psalm 114 OR Exodus 15:1b–11, 20–21 OR Genesis 50:15–21 and Psalm 103:(1–7), 8–13; Romans 14:1–12; Matthew 18:21–35
- 24 (Presbyterians Sharing Sunday) Exodus 16:2-15 and Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45 OR Jonah 3:10-4:11 and Psalm 145:1-8; Philippians 1:21-30; Matthew 20:1-16

October

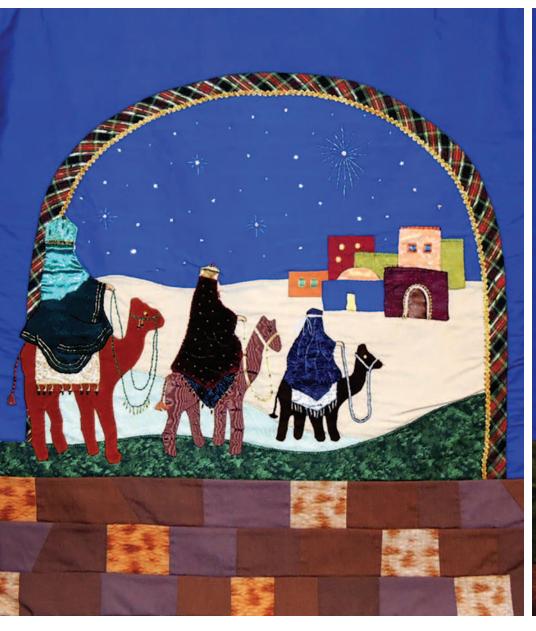
- (World Communion Sunday) Exodus 17:1-7 and Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16 OR Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 and Psalm 25:1-9; Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32
- 8 Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20 and Psalm 19 OR Isaiah 5:1-7 and Psalm 80:7-15; Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46 (Harvest Sunday) Deuteronomy 8:7-18 and Psalm 65;
- 2 Corinthians 9:6-15; Luke 17:11-19
 (Students and Colleges Sunday) Exodus 32:1-14
 and Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23 OR Isaiah 25:1-9 and
- Psalm 23; Philippians 4:1–9; Matthew 22:1–14
 22 Exodus 33:12–23 and Psalm 99 OR Isaiah 45:1–7
 and Psalm 96:1–9, (10–13); 1 Thessalonians 1:1–10;
 Matthew 22:15–22
- 29 Reformation Sunday: Deuteronomy 34:1–12 and Psalm 90:1–6, 13–17 OR Leviticus 19:1–2, 15–18 and Psalm 1; 1 Thessalonians 2:1–8; Matthew 22:34–46

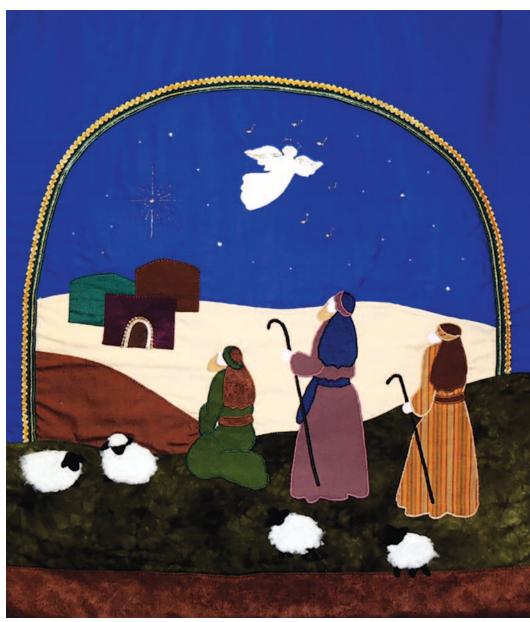
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- 1 All Saints Day: Revelation 7:9-17; Psalm 34:1-10, 22; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12
- 5 Joshua 3:7-17 and Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37 OR Micah 3:5-12 and Psalm 43; 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:1-12
- 12 Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 and Psalm 78:1-7 OR Amos 5:18-24 and Psalm 70; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13
- 19 (Legacy Giving Sunday) Judges 4:1-7 and Psalm 123 OR Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18 and Psalm 90:1-8, (9-11), 12; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30
- 26 Reign of Christ: Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24 and Psalm 100 OR Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24 and Psalm 95:1–7a; Ephesians 1:15–23; Matthew 25:31–46

December

- 3 Advent 1: Isaiah 64:1-9; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:24-37
- 10 Advent 2: Isaiah 40:1–11; Psalm 85:1–2, 8–13; 2 Peter 3:8–15a; Mark 1:1–8
- 17 Advent 3: Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11; Psalm 126 OR Luke 1:46b-55; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8. 19-28
- 24 Advent 4: 2 Samuel 7:1–11, 16; Luke 1:46b–55 OR Psalm 89:1–4, 19–26; Romans 16:25–27; Luke 1:26–38
- 24/25 Christmas Eve/Day: Isaiah 9:2-7; Psalm 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14, (15-20)
- 31 Isaiah 61:10-62:3; Psalm 148; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:22-40





December 2022

Christmas banners at Memorial Presbyterian Church in Sylvan Lake, Alberta, quilted by Ardis Bramall.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 World AIDS Day	2	International Day of Persons with Disabilities
2nd Sunday of Advent	5	6	7	8	9	10 Human Rights Day
11 3rd Sunday of Advent	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 4th Sunday of Advent International Migrants Day	19	20	21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve
25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29	30	New Year's Eve



January 2023

Coloured panels from a communion table at Grace Presbyterian Church in Saint John, New Brunswick.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
New Year's Day	2	3	4	5	6 Epiphany of the Lord	7	
8 Baptism of the Lord	9	10	11	12	13	14	
15	16	17	18 World Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	19	20	21	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
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February 2023

Burning bush made out of coat hangers by a charter member of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Bramalea, Ontario.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
			1	2	3	4	
5 PWS&D Sunday	6	7	8	9	10	11	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Transfiguration Sunday Heritage Sunday	Family Day (AB, BC, NB, ON, SK) Islander Day (PE) Louis Riel Day (MB) World Day of Social Justice	21 Shrove Tuesday	Ash Wednesday	23	24	25	
26 1st Sunday in Lent	27	28					



March 2023

Women's Missionary Society 100 Years banner.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3 World Day of Prayer	4
5 2nd Sunday in Lent	6	7	8 International Women's Day	9	10	11
3rd Sunday in Lent Daylight Savings begins	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 4th Sunday in Lent	20	International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	22 World Water Day	23	24	25
26 Sth Sunday in Lent	27	28	29	30	31	



April 2023

Stained-glass window at St. Giles Presbyterian Church in Sarnia, Ontario.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Palm/Passion Sunday	3	4	5	6 Maundy Thursday	7 Good Friday	Holy Saturday
9 Easter Sunday	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 Earth Day
23 Mission Awareness Sunday	24	25	26	27	28	29
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May 2023

Pentecost banner at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Christian Family Sunday Mother's Day	15	16	17	18 Ascension Day	19	20
21 Healing & Reconciliation Sunday	22 Victoria Day	23	24	25	26	27
28 Day of Pentecost	29	30	31			





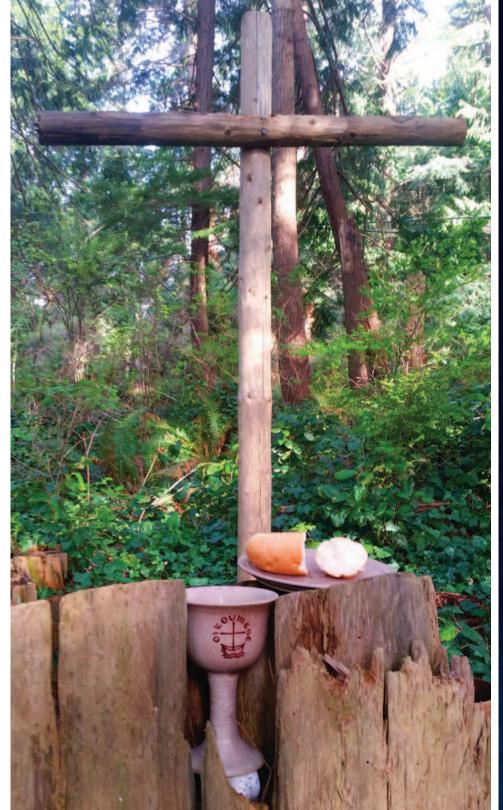


June 2023

Elders and members of Cariboo House Church Ministry in British Columbia. The elders of Cariboo House Church Ministry are all Residential School Survivors.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
Trinity Sunday General Assembly Sunday	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Father's Day National Indigenous Peoples Sunday	19	20 World Refugee Day	National Indigenous Peoples Day	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	





July 2023

Left: Communion at the outdoor chapel at Camp Douglas on British Columbia's Sunshine Coast. Right: Banner at Leaside Presbyterian Church in Toronto, Ontario.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Canada Day
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August 2023

The Blantyre Carving, gifted to Varsity Acres Presbyterian Church in Calgary, Alberta, from Blantyre Presbyterian Church in Malawi.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6	Civic Holiday (NT, NU, ON, PE, SK) BC Day (BC) Heritage Day (AB) Natal Day (NS) NB Day (NB) Terry Fox Day (MB)	8	9 International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples	10	11	12
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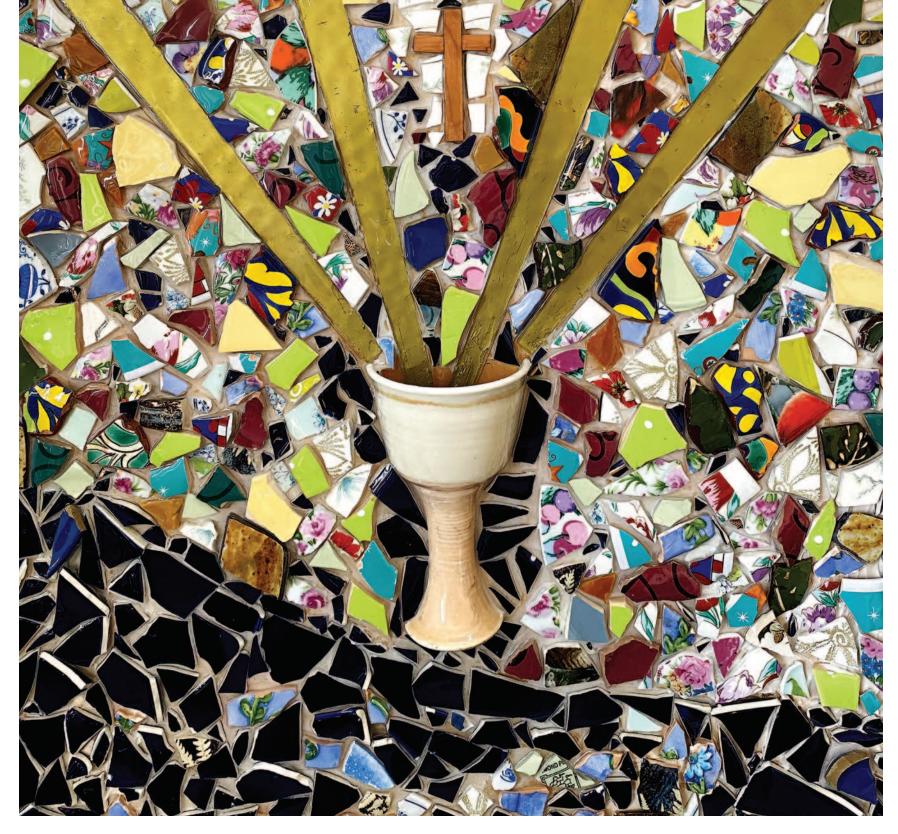


September 2023

Design on a drum used in worship services at Hummingbird Ministries in Vancouver, British Columbia.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3	4 Labour Day	5	6	7	8 World Literacy Day	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 International Day of Prayer for Peace	22	23
24 Presbyterians Sharing Sunday	25	26	27	28	29	Orange Shirt Day/ National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

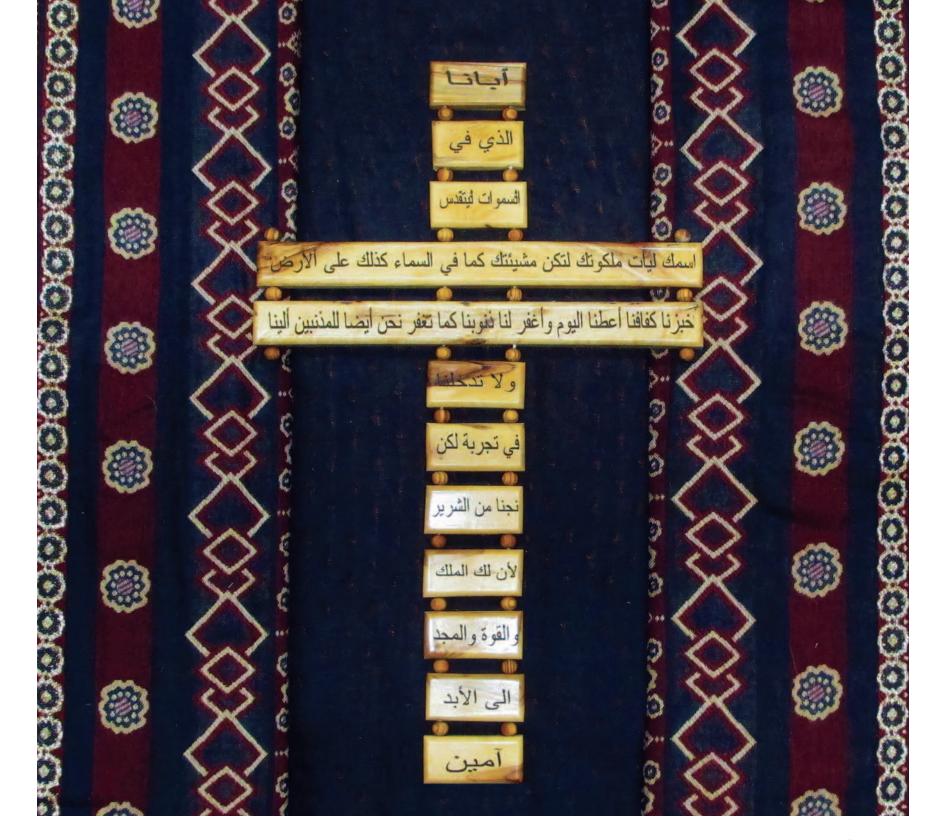


October 2023

Pottery mosaic by the members of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Peterborough, Ontario.



SI	JNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	World Communion Sunday	2	3	A National Day of Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls	5	6	7
8	Harvest Sunday	7 Thanksgiving Day	10	11	12	13	14
15	Students and Colleges Sunday	16 World Food Day	17 International Day for the Eradication of Poverty	18	19	20	21
22		23	24	25	26	27	28
29	Reformation Sunday	30	Reformation Day				



November 2023

Wooden cross with the Lord's Prayer in Arabic engraved upon it, displayed at the PCC national office in Toronto, Ontario.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 All Saints Day	2	3	4
5 Daylight Savings ends	6	7	8	9	10	11 Remembrance Day
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 Legacy Giving Sunday Restorative Justice Week	20 World Children's Day	21	22 National Housing Day	23	24	25 International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women
Reign of Christ	27	28	29	30		



December 2023

Nativity scene at St. Stephen's Presbyterian Church in Peterborough, Ontario, constructed by Wayne Nichols.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 World AIDS Day	2
1st Sunday of Advent International Day of Persons with Disabilities	4	5	6	7	8	9
2nd Sunday of Advent Human Rights Day	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 3rd Sunday of Advent	18 International Migrants Day	19	20	21	22	23
24 4th Sunday of Advent Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29	30

Thank you!

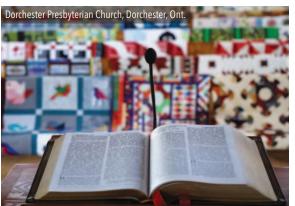
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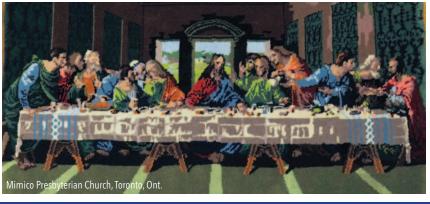




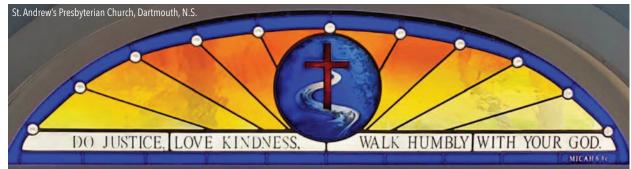






















The Presbyterian Church in Canada acknowledges that it meets and worships on the traditional lands of Indigenous peoples and recognizes a long and rich history, which predates the establishment of European colonies. We further acknowledge the territory's significance for the Indigenous peoples who lived, and continue to live, upon it and whose practices and spiritualities are tied to the land. The Presbyterian Church in Canada repudiates concepts used to justify European sovereignty over Indigenous lands and peoples and reaffirms its commitment to healing and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.



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