



# West Plains United Church

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**Sunday, November 10, 2019**  
**Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Remembrance Sunday**



**Minister: The Rev. Dr. Philip Gardner**  
**Music Director: Lianne Tan**  
**Office Administrator: Vicki Faubert**  
**Caretakers: Maria DaSilva and Will Sennema**  
**Guest Musician: Mattias Butwell**

## West Plains Mission Statement

We are an active faith community, seeking to deepen our relationship with God through thoughtful worship, prayer, uplifting music, outreach, friendship and study, inspired by a setting overlooking nature. We are a growing church family welcoming people of all ages to follow Jesus' teachings in their lives.

## ***GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE***

**Lighting of the Christ Candle:** Tara MacCallum

We begin our service with a time of quiet.

**Prelude:** "A Memorial Piece" - C.H.H. Parry (1848-1918)

**Opening Words** Tara MacCallum

Come; enter this sanctuary,  
this home of West Plains' church family:  
Bring your joys and be thankful,  
Bring your troubles and be trusting,  
Bring your hearts to share in God's love.

## **SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE**

**\*Opening Hymn:** "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" VU 806

### **Statement of Purpose**

One: We meet in the presence of God.  
We commit ourselves to work in penitence  
and faith for reconciliation between the nations,  
that all people may live together in freedom,  
justice and peace.  
We pray for all who in bereavement,  
Disability and pain continue to suffer the  
consequences of fighting and terror.  
We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow  
those whose lives, in world wars and in conflicts  
past and present, have been given and taken away.

### **\*Presentation of Symbols**

**\*Act of Remembrance**

*An older person says:*

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;  
age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

*A younger person replies:*

At the going down of the sun and in the morning,  
we will remember them.

**All: We will remember them**

**\*Reading of the Honour Roll:**

**Ray Mifflin**

**HONOUR ROLL**

William Dearness  
Cecil Fitzpatrick  
Herbert Elkin  
Jack Rogers  
Sam Hopkins

**\*Last Post** – Mattias Butwell, trumpet

**\*Minute of Silence**

**\*Reveille** – Mattias Butwell, trumpet

**\*The National Anthem** VU 524

***O Canada! Our home and native land!  
True patriot love in all of us command.  
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,  
the True North strong and free!  
From far and wide, O Canada,  
we stand on guard for thee.  
God keep our land glorious and free!***

*O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.  
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.*

## **PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

**Welcome, Announcements, and Celebrations**

**Scripture Refrain:** VU 662

*God, who has caused to be written your word for our learning, grant us that, hearing, our hearts may be inwardly burning.*

*Give to us grace, that in your Son we embrace life, all its glory discerning.*

**Prayer of Illumination**

**We give you thanks, God of sacred story.**

**Open our hearts, inspire us, challenge us as your vision of shalom draws us out and enables us to be your people.**

**Help us to listen.**

**Help us as we seek to follow and to trust. Amen.**

**Scriptures:**

**Tara MacCallum**

Responsive Psalm #121 VU 844

*"Our help is in the name of our God who made heaven and earth."*

Wisdom of Israel: Isaiah 11: 1-3, 6-9

Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

**Scripture Response:**

**One:** Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**\*Hymn:** "We Gather Here" Text: Dan Damon, Music: Lianne Tan  
(see bulletin insert for words)

**Message:** “Lest We Forget: Stories of Remembrance”

**Anthem:** “Canon of Peace” –P.M. Liebergen

## ***GIVING THANKS TO GOD***

### **Invitation to the Offering**

**\*Presentation of Offering:** VU 541 v1

*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.*

**\*Prayer of Dedication:**

**We lift up these gifts to you, O God,  
as symbols of our commitment to the ministry  
of peace with justice in our world.  
We offer these gifts because we know  
that change is possible.  
We know that your love can work through us.  
We offer these gifts for the transformation  
of ourselves and our world for the good of all. Amen.**

### **Minute for Mission**

**Prayer Refrain** VU 400

*Lord, listen to your children praying,  
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;  
Lord, listen to your children praying,  
send us love, send us power, send us grace!*

## **Litany for Peace and Prayer of Jesus**

One: Let us pray for all who suffer as a result of conflict, and ask that God may give us peace: for the service men and women who have died in the violence of war, each one remembered by and known to God; May God give peace.

**All: God give peace.**

One: For those who love them in death as in life, offering the distress of our grief and the sadness of our loss.  
May God give peace.

**All: God give peace.**

One: For all members of the armed forces who are in danger this day, remembering family, friends and all who pray for their safe return; May God give peace.

**All: God give peace.**

One: For civilian women, children and men whose lives are disfigured by war or terror, calling to mind in penitence the anger and hatreds of humanity;  
May God give peace.

**All: God give peace.**

One: For peace-makers and peace-keepers, who seek to keep this world secure and free; May God give peace

**All: God give peace.**

One: For all who bear the burden and privilege of leadership, political, military and religious; asking for gifts of wisdom and resolve in the search for reconciliation and peace. May God give peace.

**All: God give peace.**

One: O God of truth and justice, we hold before you those whose memory we cherish, and those whose names we will never know. Help us to lift our eyes above the torment of this broken world, and grant us the grace to pray for those who wish us harm.

As we honour the past, may we put our faith in your future; for you are the source of life and hope, now and forever. These and all our prayers we offer in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray saying: ***Our Father who art in heaven ...***

## ***GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME***

**\*Hymn:** "Let There Be Light" VU 679

**\*Commissioning and Benediction**

**\*Threefold Amen**

### **Postlude**

*(You are invited to remain seated until the Postlude is concluded to enjoy a time of meditation as we conclude our worship service)*

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**Welcome to West Plains United Church**

**Thank You for Worshipping with Us Today!**

**Office Hours:** Tues., Wed. and Thurs. 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

This morning, we welcome and thank our guest trumpeter, Mattias Butwell. Mattias is a grade 10 student at Appleby College in Oakville. He has played the trumpet since grade 6, and has been involved in school bands ever since. Mattias started playing the Last Post and Reveille in school services in grade 8. Remembrance Day is special to Mattias because his Great-Grandpa was a Prisoner of War in World War II. Welcome Mattias and family!

Visitors are invited to sign the guest book in the front foyer. Please join us for a time of refreshment and fellowship in the parlor. Hosted by The Choir.

**Please keep in your Prayers this week:**

Betty Denton, Lawrence Hazzard, Mark Scenna’s mother Dianne, Bev Robertson, Christine Buxton,P and those in need of prayer.

	<b>TODAY</b>	<b>NEXT WEEK</b>
<b>Greeters</b>	<b>Ethel Ballantyne Madge Kitching</b>	<b>Bev and Murray Biggley</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>Linda Sanderson Debbie Burford</b>	<b>Marj Wilson Judie Landford</b>
<b>Counting Team</b>	<b>Debbie Burford, Bev and Murray Biggley</b>	<b>Debbie Burford, Bev and Murray Biggley</b>
<b>Welcoming Person</b>	<b>Joan Fox</b>	<b>Lynn Watson</b>
<b>Lay Reader</b>	<b>Tara MacCallum</b>	<b>Rebecca Hart</b>

### **Save the Dates!**

**Thursday, Nov 14<sup>th</sup>** Making of meat pies for bazaar.

**WANTED:** There is only one week left to bring your items for Granny room and for the Silent Auction. You can drop your items off during office hours or bring your items on a Sunday. The Silent Auction display will be in the Upper Hall and the Granny items will be "somewhere nearby". Items maybe left in the choir room.

### **Saturday, Nov 16<sup>th</sup> "Yuletide Bazaar and Silent Auction"**

Volunteers needed to help set-up on Friday Nov 15<sup>th</sup> and for the bazaar on Saturday. Also looking for items for our Silent Auction and Granny Room, gently used items and/or gift certificates.

**Bake!** Cookies, tarts and squares for our bazaar bake table. We need squares, small cookies and or tarts for our assorted plates [approx. 100 plates). If you are making squares please bring them in uncut. We will also gladly take any other baked items for our sale. Please deliver to the church on

**DATE CHANGE: Friday, Nov 15<sup>th</sup>** by 6:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, Nov 26<sup>th</sup>** Tuesday Singalong with Mary from 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. in the parlour. Please join us, light refreshments will be served.

**Tuesday, Nov 26<sup>th</sup>** Advent Lectionary Group starts Tuesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> to Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>, see sign-up sheet on the easel in the foyer.

**Sunday, Nov 24<sup>th</sup>** 2:00 p.m. "Frankie and the Fairlanes" Rock and Roll in the Theatre Room. NOTE: assigned seat ticket sales only, no holds! Tickets \$20, please make sure you select your seat at the time of purchase. "Tickets will be available at coffee hour each Sunday."

**Saturday, Dec 7<sup>th</sup> "Cookie Walk"** Let us help with your Christmas baking. Select from cookies, squares and tarts. 10:00 a.m. until sold out.

***This Week at West Plains:***

**Sunday, Nov 10<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. Al-Anon

10:30 a.m. Worship Remembrance Day service

**Monday, Nov 11<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 p.m. Glen Haven

7:00 p.m. Crafters (extra meeting)

**Tuesday, Nov 12<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. TOPS

9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. D. Groves

**Wednesday, Nov 13<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 p.m. Nar-Anon

7:00 p.m. Unified Board Meeting

**Thursday, Nov 14<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 a.m. Meat pies

1:00 p.m. West Enders

7:15 p.m. Al-Anon

7:15 p.m. Choir practice

**Friday, Nov 15<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Yuletide Bazaar set-up (volunteers needed)

Baked goodies maybe dropped off any time before 6:00 p.m.

**Saturday, Nov 16<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 a.m. Yuletide Bazaar

**Sunday, Nov 17<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 a.m. Al-Anon

12:00 p.m. Christmas ladies choir practice