

Fenwick United Church

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Sunday, May 27, 2018 – Trinity Sunday

Mission Statement:

To be an inclusive faith community in Fenwick,
practising the teachings of Jesus

* *Indicates please stand, if able*

We Gather As a People of God

The Prelude

Words of Welcome

Announcements and Parish Concerns

The Lighting of the Christ Candle and Entrance of the Word

* **Opening Hymn 315** “Holy, Holy, Holy”

* **Call to Worship:** (*responsively*)

Glory to you, Almighty God.

**You spoke, and light came out of darkness,
order rose from confusion.**

Glory to you, Jesus Christ!

**You met us as a refugee, a threatened child,
the Word made flesh, born in a forgotten place.**

Glory to you, Holy Spirit!

**You brooded over chaos,
mothering and shaping God's new creation.**

Glory to you, God, Three-in-One!

**You are surrounded by the song of the saints in heaven
and you are present with us now.**

We worship you, Most Holy Trinity.

* **Prayer of Approach:** (*in unison*)

**May God the Holy Trinity,
the God who dwells beyond us,
and the God who dwells among us,
and the God who calls us to dwell together
bless us now as we gather in worship. Amen.**

Conversation with the children

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn 316 “Praise Our Maker”

We Listen for God's Word

First Lesson: Isaiah 6: 1-8 (The Majestic God of All)

Responsive Psalm 36 - VU pg. 762 (sung refrain)

Reader: Roma Koeman

Choir Anthem: “*Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*” - S. Scott

Gospel Lesson: John 3: 1-17 (A Visit by Night)

Sermon: “Describing the Indescribable”

* **Hymn 312** “Praise With Joy the World's Creator”

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

* **Presentation of the Offering:** MV 191

What can I do? What can I bring?

What can I say? What can I sing?

I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.

I'll bring my love. I'll do my share. (*repeat*)

* **Offertory Prayer:** *(in unison)*

**Caring God, our Creator,
may we offer not only our material gifts,
but our whole selves to you,
and to all those who need our support
in the quest for justice and peace.**

**We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Liberator,
and in the power of the Holy Spirit who sustains us.
Amen.**

Prayers of the People

We Go Out to Serve

* **Closing Hymn 321** “Maker, in Whom We Live”

* **Commissioning and Sung Benediction:** VU 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.**

Postlude

Prayer List

Hamilton Conference:

Let us pray for St. George United Church in Erie Presbytery on the Prayer Cycle this week.

... and all those in the Fenwick congregation in need of prayer.



The Life and Work of the Congregation

Welcome to worship at Fenwick United Church. We welcome our guests, and pray that our worship time together will be a time of strengthening of spirit for the work of the week ahead. Please sign our guest book at the doors to the sanctuary and join us for refreshments and conversation in the church hall following the service.

Our hosts: Property Committee

Greeting you: Marion Latham and Shirley Cripps

Children’s Ministry Leader: Linda Sharpe-Pietras

This Week at Fenwick United Church

Tues. May 29 10:00 am Men’s Group

Wed. May 30 7:00 pm Choir Practice

Announcements

Set aside Monday June 4 – The UCW will be celebrating their annual High Tea. Note that the venue will be at Julie Looby’s home at 2:30 pm. There will be a signup sheet at the coffee hour. Hope that you can join us for lunch and a fun afternoon.

Syrian Refugees Support Concert will be held on Sunday June 17 at 2:00 pm at Fonthill United Church, featuring *A Cappella Niagara*, (18 barber-shoppers with their classic harmonies and good fun) and the *Choir of Fonthill United Church* singing gold standards and popular hymns. The concert is free but donations are welcomed to support our two Syrian Refugee families. Envelopes will be available in which to place donations and identify donors so they can be mailed an income tax receipt. Cheques should be made out to Fonthill United Church and on the memo line print “PSRCG.”

A reception with light refreshments and tidbits will follow. The concert is in the support of the Pelham Syrian Refugees Constituent Group which is so appreciative of the financial assistance of Fenwick United Church and the work of a small group of hard working volunteers from the church which is making a real difference in the lives of the two families. We hope you will enjoy meeting those of the other three churches as well as other community residents at the concert.

Community Events

- June 3 The Velvetones – present “The Music Goes On” at the Welland Community Wellness Complex at 2 pm.
Tickets \$10; call 905 735-1700.
- June 3 Treblaires Show Choir - presents “Food, Glorious Food!” at Stamford Lane United Church, Niagara Falls at 3 pm.
Tickets: \$10 adults, free for children 12 and under.
Call Rhonda Baker.
** please bring a non-perishable item for the food bank.*
*** This concert will also be held at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Welland on June 10 at 2 pm. For tickets call the church office at 905 734-3543.*
- June 3 Concert – “Grace Notes” will perform at Central United Church, Welland at 7 pm; tickets \$20. Proceeds will go to Cave Springs Camp Legacy Hall project.
- June 8 “Niagara’s Contemporary Crooner,” Ron Dewberry will offer the music of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, etc. following a buffet lunch at Southminster United Church, 6801 Hagar Ave., Niagara Falls. Lunch starts at 12:30 pm. Tickets \$15; call 905 354-2125 to reserve.
- June 10 Strawberry Fair – at St. Ann Parish, Fenwick from 10:00 to 1:00; strawberry shortcake & ice cream, BBQ, pancakes & sausage, bake shop. Games for children.
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It's Picnic Time

When: Sunday, June 3

Where: At the Fenwick Church

Time: Church at 11:00 am

Join us afterwards for

Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and Salads,

Birthday Cake & Ice Cream

No need to bring a thing...

...Just a Smile



Team Contests



For the Adults

Fun Crafts and Games



For the Kids