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**Organist:** Deirdre Morrell-Ormerod

Second Sunday in Lent  
Lenten Theme: The Wilderness Journey

## Gathering the Community

[ \* indicates to stand, if able]

*The Organ Prelude will commence at 11:00 AM. Please remain seated and use the time during this period to prepare quietly for our time of worship together.*

Organ Prelude  
Welcome & Introduction to the Service  
Lighting of the Christ Candle  
Silence

\* Call to Worship

We gather for worship,  
different people, different lives, different histories

**yet all children of One God  
created lovingly by the Source of all life**

We gather to learn,  
different upbringings, different questions, different convictions,

**Yet all students of One teacher  
Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.**

Let us open ourselves to the presence of God at work  
in us, among us, and through us.

\* Prayer of Gathering

**In the lengthening days, in the warmth of spring's  
approach,  
we hear your voice;  
in the moonlight of winter's last night,  
we see your face;  
in the silence of a child sleeping,  
we are breathe in your grace:**

Offering our Gifts

\* **The Doxology: "What Can I Do"**

**[More Voices #191]**

Offertory Prayer

## Preparing for Service During the Week

**Prayers of the People**

**Lord's Prayer** (*sung*)

**[Voices United #960]**

Announcements & Notices

\* **Parting Hymn: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God"**

**[Voices United #356]**

\* Commissioning

**Sung Blessing: "May the Love of the Lord"**

*[see inside front cover of Voices United]*

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### **Next week: "Will Christianity survive?" (Service with baptism)**

Readings for next week

Romans 12:9-21 Marks of the Christian life  
Mark 12:28-34 The most important commandment

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The whole text for "*Song of Faith*" can be found here:  
[www.unitedchurch.ca](http://www.unitedchurch.ca) under "Community and Faith".  
If you would like a printed copy, please call the church office.

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"Earth's crammed with heaven...

But only he who sees, takes off his shoes."

Elizabeth Barrett Browning

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### *Bulletin Dedication*

Remembering Mick Scromeda  
with love and gratitude  
*Per ardua ad astra*

► **THIS WEEK AT ST. GEORGE AND ST. ANDREW:**

**Today:** Please join us for Coffee and Conversation in the Jim MacIntosh hall after the service hosted by the Men's Club.

**Tuesday:** Bible and Brew will meet on February 27 and March 6 at the home of Phil Roberts, 146 St. George St. 9:15-10:30. Everyone welcome. Bring a Bible.

**Wednesday:** We're offering an ecumenical Bible study: "The Resurrection and beyond". Fr Donald Neish lectures on the Easter stories. Wednesday 28, 10 AM at the Anglican church hall. Everyone welcome.

**Friday:** Messy Church "Come aboard!" with supper 4:30- 6:30 PM. All invited! Call Janet (902-532-7254) to tell her you are coming.

► **COMING UP AT ST. GEORGE AND ST. ANDREW:**

We now have a "Church in Action" Team which will guide us in some concrete actions for Social Justice and the Common Good of Humanity. This team has chosen the Environment as Focus and asks you kindly to fill out and return the questionnaire which is being distributed today.

Would you like to join our church as a full member? We encourage all to consider this, as only full members can serve as elders and vote on important spiritual matters such as calling a minister. You can do this by transferring your membership from elsewhere or by adult confirmation.

**New Members Sundays** are planned for Palm Sunday, March 25, and October 28, 2018. For more information please contact John Peach or Rev. Elisabeth.

► **COMMUNITY EVENTS:**

Following the initial meeting on **Climate Changes Annapolis** at St. George and St. Andrew, the first meeting for those interested in establishing a structure for exploring and taking next steps will be held on February 28 at 2 PM in the upstairs meeting room at the Old Time Pub, 911 Church Street, across from the Wharf near the Marketplace in Annapolis Royal. If you can attend, please e mail [JudithALW@aol.com](mailto:JudithALW@aol.com) by February 26. You can also leave a message at 902 532 0846.