

**PATERSON MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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**Order of Worship – December 13, 2015**

\*Please stand as you are able where this symbol appears

**Our Approach to God**

**Prelude**

**Welcome & Announcements**

Children go down to Sunday School

**Call to Worship** See advent insert

\*Hymn A new day dawns (see insert)

**Prayer**

Calling on God

Praising God

Asking God's forgiveness

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

**Ministry of Music** Awake, Awake and Greet the new Morn

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**Old Testament**

*Isaiah 12* see back of order of service

**Old Testament**

*Zephaniah 3:14-20* P. 902

*M: This is the word of the Lord;*

*P: Thanks be to God!*

**Sermon**

\*Hymn # 117 Herald! Sound the note of judgment

**Presenting our gifts**

**Offertory**

**Doxology**

What can I give him, poor as I am?  
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb  
If I were a Wise Man, I would do my part;  
Yet what can I give him – give my heart

**Time with the children**

**Invitation to the Lord's table**

\*Hymn # 530 I come with joy

**# 564 The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**The sacrament of communion**

\*Hymn # 133 Go tell it on the mountain

**Blessing**

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

**Postlude**

**CRY OUT WITH JOY AND GLADNESS  
FOR THE LORD IS IN YOUR MIDST  
THE HOLY ONE OF ISRAEL  
CRY OUT, CRY OUT WITH JOY!**

**God indeed is my Savior  
I will never be afraid  
My strength and courage is the Lord  
My Savior and my song**

**Give thanks and praise the name of God,  
Sing out to all the earth  
The wondrous deed that God has done,  
Our Savior and our song**

**Shout with joy, O Zion,  
For dwelling in your midst  
Is the Holy One of Israel  
Your Savior and your song**

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## **PATERSON MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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**To all who are young and need counsel,  
To all who are strong and need a task,  
To all who are weary and need companionship,  
To all who mourn and need comfort,  
To all who are sinful and need a Saviour,  
This church opens its doors  
And in the name of Christ our Lord says  
“Welcome!”**

## A NEW DAY DAWNS

A new day dawns, arise and sing  
Our Saviour now is nigh  
As we his people meet to share  
A meal when he arrives  
No sun or moon needs shine above  
No stars need shine on high  
The light of him who fills the sky  
Now fills each watchful eye

Like long ago when as a child  
He comes to bring us peace  
Extolled as one who reigns o'er all  
He brings to us a feast  
Much like the child who came before  
We pass through Heaven's gate  
To share the banquet of our Lord  
Prepared for those who wait

Let every outcast enter in  
Let each child of God draw near  
To the One who shares the Tree of Life  
And casts out every fear  
Let every nation, every knee  
Bow down before his throne  
Let every tongue confess him Lord  
And worship him alone

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## Announcements

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Day	Date	Time	Event
Monday	Dec. 14	6:00 pm	Circle 6 Pot Luck Dinner No Bible Study
Wednesday	Dec. 16	10:00 am 1:00 pm	Witness Knitters Bible Study
Thursday	Dec.17	6:30 pm	Choir Practice

**You're invited to join us for refreshments following the Service.**

**For the next 2 weeks the Wednesday Bible Study will view a Video about the Star of Bethlehem. Join us at 1:00 pm.**

**BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE:** As we celebrate the birth of our Saviour, we may feel grief or hurt as well. If you are grieving a loss, if you are experiencing suffering, if you are heartbroken, lonely or afraid, join us for our Blue Christmas service to recognize those hurts and allow Jesus to enter into our hearts and lives to bring his healing. The service will be held at **Laurel Lea St. Matthews Presbyterian Church in Sarnia, Sunday, December 20 at 2 pm.** Feel free to tell family or friends as the service is open to anyone.

**Jesus' Birthday party today at 5:00 pm.**

We will share a potluck dinner, have a choice of caroling or an indoor program, eat birthday cake, and unwrap presents for babies at the Inn of the Good Shepherd! Please bring a wrapped baby item such as formula, baby shampoo, diapers, or wipes! Sign up in the church hall to bring a salad or a main dish. Dessert will be provided! Please ask Allan Farris if you have any questions.

**The County of Lambton** is starting a project in January called the **Oral History Project**. This project will work to collect, preserve and share the stories of everyday life in Lambton County as told by the people who lived them. Once the stories are collected, part of each interview will be transcribed and both audio and written versions will be deposited with the Lambton County Archives. Stories will also be featured on the Sarnia Historical Society website and copies of the transcriptions will be made available to the Lambton County Historical Society. They are looking for people that are interested in being interviewed for this project. This project will focus on the history of everyday life, and the themes that will be covered include: school, church/community groups, shopping and local business, sports, music and the arts, and your neighborhood. As you may know, 2016 is the 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Paterson Church and we are hoping to find some members that are interested in participating in this Oral History project, to help us with a project that we are hoping to do for the Anniversary. If you are interested in participating or would like more information, please talk to Bevin or Allan for more information.

**The 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee is building a picture collage.** If you have pictures of Paterson events and memories, please submit them to Lewis Stokes and be part of the fun of going down memory lane.



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Christmas 2015

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