

## Invitation to Worship

*PWUBC acknowledges our meeting is in Mi'kma'ki, the unceded, ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaw people. As Treaty People, we will strive to walk with our Indigenous friends and neighbours in a good and faithful way, as we share the land that is entrusted to all by the Creator.*

### Welcome

### Prelude

Christianne Rushton

### Call to Worship

Wynne Macaskill Delaney

Words of Saint Patrick (insert) Unison

### Invocation

### \*Hymn

“For All the saints”

VU705

### Scripture

Jeremiah 31:31-34 Wynne Macaskill Delaney

### Children’s Moment

### Ministry of Music

“We had a share”

Sanctuary Choir

### Scripture

John 12:20-33 Wynne Macaskill Delaney

### Morning Prayer

### Response

“O God, hear my prayer”

VU948

O God, hear my prayer; O God hear my prayer; when I call answer me. O God, hear my prayer, O God, hear my prayer; come and listen to me.

### Sermon

Saint Patrick

### \*Hymn

“He Leadeth Me”

VU657

## \*Benediction

### \* Choral Benediction “We shall go out”

VU586

We shall go out, with hope of resurrection;  
We shall go out, from strength to strength go on;  
We shall go out and tell our stories boldly;  
Tales of a love that will not let us go.  
We’ll sing our songs of wrongs that can be righted;  
We’ll dream our dreams of hurts that can be healed;  
We’ll weave a cloth of all the world united  
within the vision of new life in Christ.

### Postlude

Christianne Rushton

### Announcements

**TODAY:** Join us for coffee and a chat right after service!

**Tuesday:** 10:30 - Children's Playgroup in the Nursery.

**Wednesday:** 7:00 - Annual General Meeting in Lockwood.

**Thursday:** 10:00 - Coffee and Conversation in the Nursery  
7:00 - Choir in the Sanctuary

### **Join us on our Lenten Journey of Love and Inclusion:**

**TONIGHT - Sunday, March 17 - 6:30pm** -Workshop with

Allison Smith: *Allison is a queer writer and educator whose background is in human rights law. She will lead a workshop entitled “Moving Beyond the Binary” focusing on how to show meaningful support for trans and non-binary people, faith and inclusion, and human rights.*

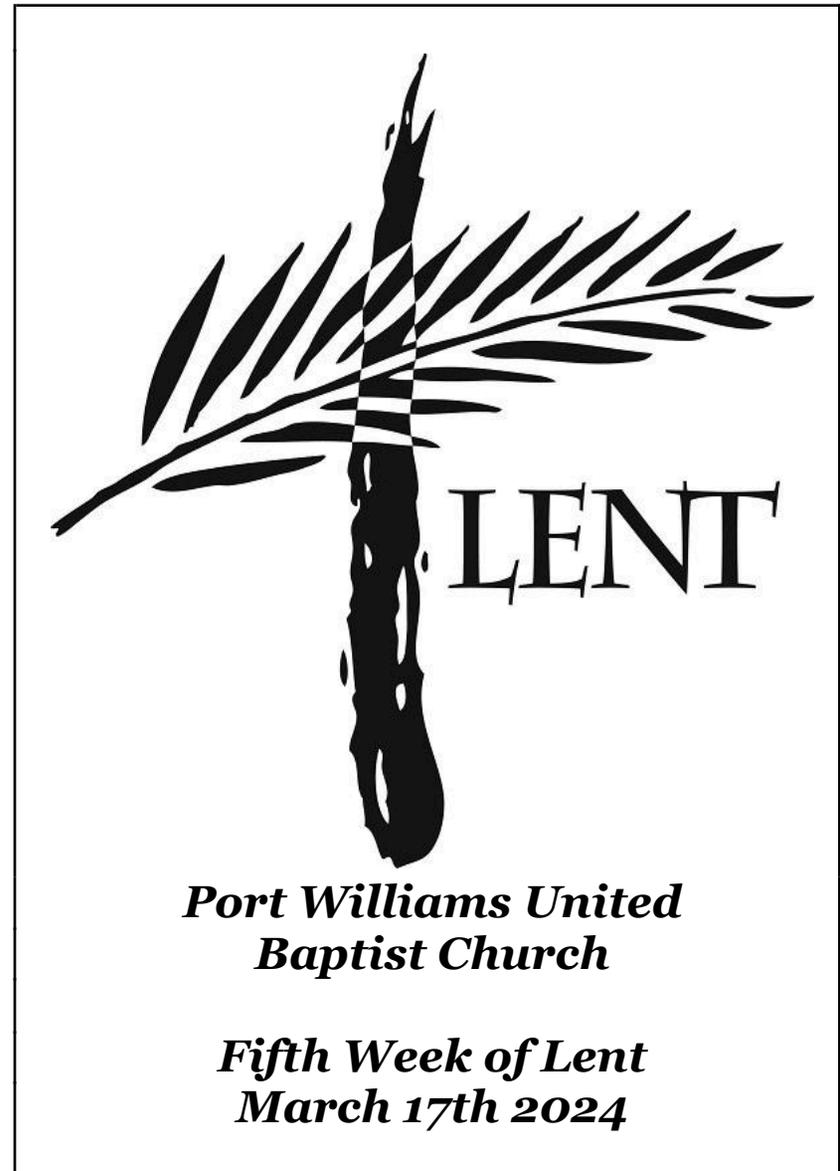
Rev. Randy Stanton, CBM Atlantic Canada Representative, will be speaking at our **Sunday service on April 7th**. He will participate in the worship service and will continue his presentation with slides in Lockwood Hall. Everyone is invited to a pot luck lunch following the event. Please bring your own place setting(s) for the meal.

**EASTER OFFERING:** Our offering will go to support our shared ministry in Rwanda with our CBM Partners in Mission, Darrell and Laura Lee Bustin. In a country with a traumatic history, many rural communities struggle with debilitating poverty, where illiteracy rates remain high, and gender-based violence is a threat to girls and women. Many children are unable to access education. Through the local church, literacy classes, coordinator training, self-help groups and parenting clubs are offered so both men and women are empowered to transform their families and communities. CBM also provides educational assistance, mentorship, and financial support for vulnerable children and youth.

**CONCERT:** Sunday, March 24, at 3pm, in University Hall. Acadia University Chorus presents Fauré's **REQUIEM**. Under the direction of Michael Caines, this work's profound spirituality and exquisite craftsmanship will be brought to life with clarity and reverence, offering a transformative musical experience for all.

**CONCERT:** Tuesday, March 26, at 7:30pm, in Denton Hall Auditorium, the **Acadia University Singers** with the **Blue Engine String Quartet** present "**A Mother's Courage**" – a concert program featuring Marie-Claire Saindon's *Méditations de la Vierge Marie* and Pergolesi's *Stabat Mater*. Together, these two works present the life and death of Jesus through Mary's perspective and are a powerful exploration of the courage it takes to love unconditionally.

**WALK WITH THE CROSS:** Port Williams United Baptist church joins Wolfville Area Inter-church Council (WAICC) for **March 29th (Good Friday)** "Walk With the Cross" beginning at **Acadia Manning Memorial Chapel 10 a.m.** As we walk through Wolfville to L'Arche, stops are planned for prayer and reflection, ending with refreshments at L'Arche community on Main Street. A meaningful holy-week event.



## Call to Worship - Read in Unison

*Words of St. Patrick, c. 430; paraphrased by Cecil Alexander 1889.*

I bind unto myself today the strong name of the Trinity  
by invocation of the same, the Three in One and One in Three.

I bind this day to me forever, by power of faith, Christ's  
incarnation, his baptism in the Jordan river, his death on cross  
for my salvation, his bursting from the spiced tomb, his riding  
up the heavenly way, his coming at the day of doom, I bind  
unto myself today.

I bind unto myself today the virtues of the starlit heaven,  
the glorious sun's life-giving ray, the whiteness of the moon at  
even, the flashing of the lightning free, the whirling wind's  
tempestuous shocks, the stable earth, the deep salt sea around  
the old eternal rocks.

I bind unto myself today the power of God to hold and lead,  
God's eye to watch, God's might to stay, God's ear to hearken  
to my need, the wisdom of my God to teach, God's hand to  
guide, God's shield to ward, the word of God to give me speech,  
God's heavenly host to be my guard.

Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ  
before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to  
comfort and restore me. Christ beneath me, Christ above me,  
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in hearts of all that love  
me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

I bind unto myself the name, the strong name of the Trinity  
by invocation of the same, the Three in One and One in Three,  
of whom all nature has creation, eternal Father, Spirit, Word.  
Praise to the Lord of my salvation; salvation is of Christ the  
Lord!

**LOVE AND INCLUSION DEBRIEF:** During our Lenten  
journey of love and inclusion, we have taken in a lot of  
information and had the start of many great conversations. We  
would like to invite everyone to stay after church on Sunday,  
March 24 to have a discussion in Lockwood Hall.

- Where do we go from here?
- What does this all mean for us at PWUBC?
- How do we not only say we are inclusive and affirming,  
but live that way?
- What have we learned from these sessions?

Please plan to say if you are able.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** The Frugal Mums will be using  
Lockwood Hall for packing their Easter hampers for families in  
need. They will be arriving on Monday, March 25 at 10 o'clock  
to start unloading supplies for the hampers. They expect to  
start packing at 12. They will be preparing a minimum of 50  
hampers. Any volunteers are much needed and welcomed.

- Our church will be assisting the Frugal Mums with a  
**clothing give away to be held on April 27, 2024.**  
Help will be needed with this project.

If you have any questions, please contact Lana Churchill.

**ACADIA UNIVERSITY CHORUS:** sings  
Gabriel Faure's **REQUIEM** - Director Michael Caines  
**Sunday, March 24th, 3:00pm** - Convocation Hall, Acadia  
University. Students from School of Music are joined by  
community singers, organist- John Scott, violin-Jennifer  
Jones, cello-Norman Adams, harp-Deanne van Rooyen,  
Baritone-Michael Donovan. **Admission at the door: \$10**  
**Students & Youth: Free**