

HASTINGS ROSENEATH PASTORAL CHARGE

The United Church of Canada

WORSHIP SERVICE FOR November 4th 2018

Holy Humour Sunday

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^MUSICAL PRELUDE: (Leader & Choir Enter)

(^) means, please stand as you are able,

(Bold Print - Congregation Response)

**LIFE & WORK OF THE CHURCHES**

CALLING US TO ORDER: (The Rev)

People of God, did you hear the one about the crooked painter who watered down his paint on a church steeple? The first rain -- it all ran off. The preacher found out what happened;

And He said:

**REPAINT, REPAINT AND THIN NO MORE!** (Groaner. .)

This is the time to rejoice!

This is the day that the Lord has made!

We will rejoice - and laugh - in it!

STARTING UP MUSIC: This is the Day (VU#412 verse 1)

*This is the day, this is the day,*

*that our God has made, that our God has made;*

*we will rejoice, we will rejoice,*

*and be glad in it, and be glad in it.*

*This is the day that our God has made,*

*we will rejoice and be glad in it.*

*This is the day, this is the day that our God has made.*

COME BE WITH US GOD, PRAYER: (All of us together)

Loving God - as we share good humour this morning -

bring your healing power to bear upon our lives.

Help us to hear your word in the stories that are told, the scriptures that are read, and the jokes that we crack.

Touch our tickle bone, with your Spirit

as we rejoice with the gifts you have given us

and offer our more solemn prayers to you this day. Amen.

^SINGIN' TOGETHER MUSIC: VU#820 "Make a Joyful Noise"

FORGIVEN PRAYER: (The Rev)

GONNA BE OK WORDS: (The Rev)

SING FOR US CHOIR: *Please and Thankyou* (Roseneath)

1<sup>st</sup> GOOD BOOK READING: 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 1:18-21 (R)

Reader: May God bless this reading from the Good Book today. .

*People: Eh-men.*

FOR THE FUNNY BONE IN US ALL:

*"A Fool for God ??!!"*

^ SINGIN' TOGETHER MUSIC: VU#224

Sing a Happy Hallelujah

2<sup>nd</sup> GOOD BOOK READING: Mark 12:28-34 (The Rev)

HOMELITICAL HILARITY (I Hope!!):

*"Religion & Humour... Both needed in life"*

^ SINGIN' TOGETHER MUSIC: VU#352

I Danced in the Morning

^MONEY GATHERING TIME : (In Unison) 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)*

^DEDICATING THE COLLECTION: (All together)

*We give you thanks generous God, for your gifts to us.*

*There is more than money in these gifts.*

*There is hard work, dedication and commitment,*

*all mixed in with good luck and good laughter.*

*Our very life and the life of others,*

*are part of these our offering.*

*Bless these gifts, O God, Eh-men.*

**^PRAYERS FOR US ALL & THE PRAYER WE ALL KNOW**

**^SINGIN' TOGETHER MUSIC: VU#624**

*Give to Us Laughter*

**^SENDING AWAY WORDS: (First me, then you!)**

Go gladly into the world!

*We will get out of here as quick as we can  
to share our joy and laughter with others.*

Be filled with the love of God.

*I am sure that with the smile on my face,  
and the twinkle in my eye,  
that people will all know, that I am full of it.*

Dance to the song of the Spirit.

*I'm getting older each day,  
but I will try to kick up my heels every day.*

**^LAST CHANCE BLESSING: (The Rev)**

**^FINISHING MUSIC: (You Shall Go Out with Joy) VU 884**

*You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace,  
the mountains and the hills will break forth before you;  
there'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field  
will clap, will clap their hands!*

*And all the trees of the field will clap their hands,  
(CLAP CLAP)*

*the trees of the field will clap their hands, (CLAP CLAP)*

*the trees of the field will clap their hands (CLAP CLAP)  
while you go out with joy!*

