# "They'll know we are Christians by our love..."

The theology of 1 John 5:1-6 seems to have influenced Peter Scholtes when he wrote this song that many of us frequently sang in church and around campfires. The song captures the message that those who come from God love God and others in God's name. 1 John tells us that there is an interconnectedness to love; the way we love others demonstrates our love for God.

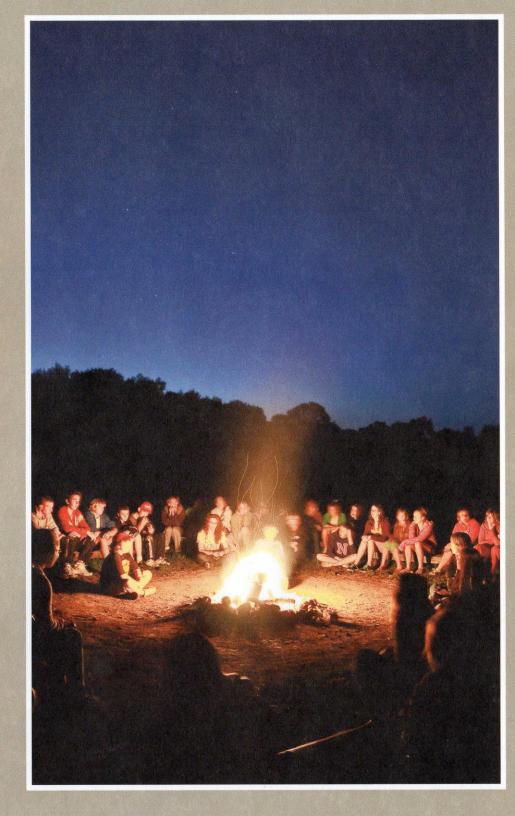
While this song is sung easily and readily sticks in our mind, it's much more challenging to actually live the message out. Loving those who are like us is one thing, but loving those who are different from us or challenge us is quite another. Being unified and guarding another's dignity and pride is not always easy.

If our actions speak louder than words, what do our actions tell others about how we love God?

The Rev. Gale Turnball-MacDonald is minister at Clarkson Road in Mississauga, ON.

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# MacNab Street Presbyterian Church Christian Family Sunday-May 10, 2015

## **GATHERING**

\*Those who are able, please stand

**PRELUDE** 

Please use this time to quietly prepare yourself for worship.

\*ENTRY OF THE WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder, Rhonda Moore

Hymn #433

Call to Worship

We have come to worship God today;

Much as a child seeks the love of its mother.

Like a mother, God opens wide arms to the children that come unto God. As we express love for mothers on this special day, so we also offer praises to God from whom all good things come.

\*PRAISE All Creatures of Our God and King

PRAYER OF APPROACH

THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts, debtors)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MOTHER'S DAY LITURGY (IN UNISON)

Lord, on this day set aside to honour and remember mothers, we give you thanks for our mothers. We are grateful that you chose to give us life through them, and that they received the gift of life from your hands, and gave it to us. Thank you for the sacrifices they made in carrying us and giving us birth. We thank you for the women who raised us, who were our mothers in childhood. Whether birth mom, adopted mom, older sister, aunt, grandmother, stepmother or someone else, we thank you for those women who held us and fed us, and cared for us. We pray that our lives may reflect the love they showed us and continue to show, and that they be pleased to be called our moms. Amen.

\* GLORIA Hymn #298

Glory be to God the Father, glory be to God the Son, Glory be to God the Spirit, God almighty, Three-in-One! Glory, glory, glory, glory, while eternal ages run.

\*THE PEACE

Minister: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you. With one another: The Peace of Christ.

\*PRAISE Morning Has Broken Hymn # 814

## WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

WORD IN CONVERSATION (Children's time)

MEN'S CHORUS

SERMON

Old Testament lesson: Exodus 2:1-10 Seona Moore Speaker: MIRIAM...the sister of Moses Rebecca Teeuwsen Gospel Lesson: Luke:2-29-38 Seona Moore Speaker: ANNA.....the prophetess Marilyn Rechuck New Testament Lesson: Acts 9:36-42 Grace Maynard TABITHA (DORCAS)...the disciple of Jesus Speaker: Jean Hartman

\*PRAISE What a Friend We Have in Jesus Hymn #746

Gospel Lesson Luke 10:38-42 Seona Moore

Speakers: MARTHA and MARY...the sisters who loved Jesus

Marilyn Repchuck and Rhonda Moore

Gospel Lesson: Luke 2:47-52 Seona Moore Speaker: MARY...the mother of Jesus Lila Stanfield

#### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

**OFFERTORY MUSIC** 

\*DOXOLOGY

All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

LIFE AND WORK OF THE CONGREGATION

Rhonda Moore

\*PRAISE To Abraham and Sarah

Hymn #478

\*BENEDICTION & THREE-FOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE (please remain seated)

## **WELCOME MACNAB!**

We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors this morning. Special Thanks to Marilyn Repchuck, the Men's Chorus and all the participants in the service today.

MacNab is a child friendly church. The Church School is located in the Parlour (through the front door in the Sanctuary – lectern side- and to your right) Children who wish to stay with their parents for the church service will find colouring materials in the Narthex (entrance)

Hearing assistance is also available. Ushers will be happy to assist with any questions.

# **ASSISTING US TODAY**

Church School Kathy Shields

Greeters Jean Hartman, Grace Maynard, Gerda Wolf

Ushers: Alex Abraham, Lila Stanfield, Doug & Nancy Coutts

Coffee Servers: Warren & Jean Currie; Jim & Fiona Myers

Duty Elder: Rhonda Moore

#### **ASSISTING US NEXT WEEK**

Church School: Jenn vanHartingsveldt Greeters: Bill Stanfield, Mina Beatt

Ushers: John Shields, Jennifer Applewhaite,

Ken & Diane Hopkins

Reader: Myrna Cumberbatch

Coffee Servers: Doug & Nancy Coutts; Josephine Patterson

Duty Deacon: J'ina Middleton

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- ❖ The Searay Family Judy's father John (92) is receiving palliative care in hospital
- Ethel Pfander in St Peter's Hospital
- Don & Carole MacVicar's Inner City Ministry
- All who are grieving, facing health uncertainties, lonely or jobless

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** please note the new (purple cover) notebook in the narthex where prayer concerns can be entered before the service. The minister will extract the page just before 10:30 and include concerns in the Prayers that day. If you wish your concern to be passed on to the Prayer Group, please add an \* beside your concern. It is sometimes good to put your own name beside the concern (so the minister or Prayer Group can follow up).

# PWS&D Responds to Devastating Nepal Earthquake

PWS&D needs your support to respond to the earthquake. Your financial support will bring relief to those suffering after this staggering disaster. The Government of Canada announced that it will match all eligible donations until May 25, 2015 to assist those affected by the earthquake.

You can make a donation to PWS&D through your church, by mailing a cheque to the office, donating online or calling 1-800-619-7301 x291. Please mark all donations at "Nepal Earthquake." **Please give today.** 

PWS&D ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX.

#### THIS WEEK AT MACNAB:

Mon	May 11	7:00pm	Search Committee-Parlour
	_	7-8:30pm	Over-comers-Church House
Wed	May 13	6:00pm	Wedding Rehearsal
		7:30pm	RSCD Annual General Meeting
Thur	May 14	7:30pm	Choir Practice-Sanctuary
Sat	May 16	2:00pm	Wedding
Sun	May 17	10:30am	Worship with David Milmine
	,	11:45am	Congregational Life Meet-Parlour



#### WESLEY URBAN MINISTRIES CASE FOR KIDS WALK on

**Sunday, June 7th** at Bayfront Park. Marilyn Repchuck will be taking part. Marilyn appreciates the support in the past and will be raising money once again this year for children in poverty in Hamilton. This support has helped raise over \$1,000.00 each year in the name of MacNab Street for the last 10 years! You can see Marilyn with your donation at MacNab today and the 24th.

#### **LOOKING AHEAD**

Tues May 19 10:30am Prayer Group with Mina Beatt

12 noon Friendly Circle

Bring your lunch. Coffee, Tea and Birthday cake provided. Guest Speaker: Kelly Black who will share with us why "natural" products are vital to overall health and well-being.

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 8:30am-12:30pm

JUNE NEWSLETTTER DEADLINE: MAY 17<sup>TH</sup>



FROM

THE CONGREGATIONAL LIFE COMMITTEE:

We are planning a

# WORK PARTY

Saturday, May 23rd 1-4pm

Task: to glue Camp Kintail
logo onto cups for the
fundraiser "A cup of
Coffee for Camp Kintail"
taking place on Sunday,
May 31st

MAY 31ST: "A CUP FOR CAMP" SUNDAY.

We invite you to "pay" for your tea or coffee in Johnston Hall by giving a donation to Kintail's staff scholarship fund. Our donations will go towards scholarships to supplement counsellor's summer wage, encouraging the young people who so faithfully serve the camp and Synod.

Please give generously.