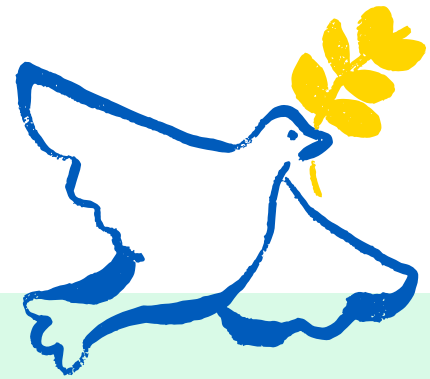


March 15, 2022



Plea for Prayer

The Presbyterian Church in Canada joins in prayer for the people in Ukraine as they face war, danger and uncertainty. We pray for safety and peace, comfort for those now in mourning, and humanitarian aid for all in need.

God of the Powers, and Maker of all creation; God of justice, and Lover and Maker of peace, we are distressed by the violence and the threats of violence and destruction in the world, and especially by acts of war and brutality that people experience in Ukraine. In solidarity with them, we pray for those who are suffering and in danger, who live in fear and anxiety, who fear what tomorrow will bring, who are anxious for their lives and the lives of those they love and care for, and who mourn the dead. We pray that those with power over war will lay down weapons, and that those who have power to accomplish peace will have wisdom and compassion. God of Grace, the Giver of Life, send your Comforter, the Spirit of Truth, who is everywhere present and fills all things, to sustain the hope of all those who seek justice and peace and to inspire the leaders of nations to do what is right. Glory to you, O God, Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit, now and forever; in the strong name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace, we pray. Amen.

(A copy of this prayer will be distributed on Sunday, March 20 in our worship materials)

Ukraine Crisis Appeal

The invasion of Ukraine has created a humanitarian crisis. This devastating conflict has already displaced hundreds of thousands of people. The most urgent needs are for food, water and shelter.

To help respond quickly to the escalating situation, Presbyterian World Service & Development is receiving donations for Ukraine. As a member of ACT Alliance and Canadian Foodgrains Bank, we are well placed to provide urgently needed food and non-food support.

ACT Alliance is responding through regional partners to support internally displaced persons and the conflict-affected population in Ukraine, as well as refugees in Hungary, Poland, Romania and Slovakia. The response is providing immediate life-saving food security, shelter, water, sanitation and hygiene support, and will address the longer-term needs of refugees and host communities.

Canadian Foodgrains Bank members are also planning a response with urgently needed food assistance.

The Canadian Foodgrains Bank and ACT Alliance are receiving donations through Presbyterian World Service & Development to respond to the escalating situation in Ukraine. Read the appeal and donate below:

<https://presbyterian.ca/pwsd/2022/02/28/ukraine-crisis/>

Through prayer and our monetary gifts, we support the people of Ukraine.

Praying for Peace. Pastor Mitch

Presbyterian Connection

The Presbyterian Connection newspaper is a Christian newspaper that strives to unite Presbyterians from across the country through stories, reflections, interviews and articles, allowing us to share and develop our faith.



For more information or to read the spring edition click [here](#)



Lá Fhéile Pádraig

"Saint Patrick's Day, or the Feast of Saint Patrick (Irish: Lá Fhéile Pádraig, lit. 'the Day of the Festival of Patrick'), is a cultural and religious celebration held on 17 March, the traditional death date of Saint Patrick (c. 385 – c. 461), the foremost patron saint of Ireland.

Saint Patrick's Day was made an official Christian feast day in the early 17th century and is observed by the Catholic Church, the Anglican Communion (especially the Church of Ireland), the Eastern Orthodox Church, and the Lutheran Church. The day commemorates Saint Patrick and the arrival of Christianity in Ireland, and celebrates the heritage and culture of the Irish in general. Celebrations generally involve public parades and festivals, céilís, and the wearing of green attire or shamrocks. Christians who belong to liturgical denominations also attend church services and historically the Lenten restrictions on eating and drinking alcohol were lifted for the day."



AGM Voting

Members and adherents are welcome to vote in our AGM by [clicking here](#) for the voting form. This is the same as the protocols for last year's AGM.

You can also ask a friend or elder to help you vote, you can vote by mail (see instructions in the minutes) or call the clerk of session for assistance 250 382 2387



Read From Your Bible This Week

- Isaiah 55:1-9
- Psalm 63:1-8
- 1 Corinthians 10:1-13
- Luke 13:1-9

