

Kincardine United Church Remembrance Sunday November 10th, 2019 10:30 a.m.

Welcome. You bless us with your presence. If you are a first time worshipper, please sign our guest register at the front entrance of the church. Thank you for turning off your cell phones and for refraining from flash photography. Please join us for coffee and fellowship in the downstairs hall following the service.

Bold print in the bulletin invites you to say the words.

*An asterisk in the bulletin indicates you may sit or stand.

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PRELUDE A Meditation G. Oldroyd

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

For thousands of years, First Nations people have walked on this land. Their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives

and of their spirituality.

We begin our worship this morning

by acknowledging the unceded territory of the Saugeen Ojibwe.

We are all Treaty people, parties to Crown Treaty 45 ½ in 1836.

Keep us mindful of the covenants that have been made – and broken – with First Nations peoples.

May we grow into living with respect on this land,

walking into reconciliation through peace and friendship, while honouring all who live, work and worship on it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOD GATHERS US

INTROIT Highland Cathedral

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

A quietness hovers over our world this morning,

for this is a time of remembrance and of honouring.

A sadness creeps into our hearts,

for today we feel for those who served and those who died.

A hope is beginning to shine like a candle in the night,

for the gift of love received from the sacrifice of too many families.

Let us pray together:

O God, at this annual time of remembrance,

our thoughts turn to the violence, the fear and the pain of war.

Come gently into our worship this morning that we may know your peace:

a peace which passes all human endeavours and hopes, a peace given through the Prince of Peace. Amen.

*LIGHTING OF THE RED CANDLE (Red symbolizes sacrifice)

Let us rise as we remember and pray together:

It is right that we take time to remember,

and to give thanks for the sacrifice of so many.

It is not the minutes or the hours we take to call their deeds to mind which justifies their loss of all their tomorrows.

It is what we do with our todays which speaks loudest.

May we be worthy of the call to peace you extend, O God. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 527 (Verse 2 only) God! As with Silent Hearts

LIGHTING OF THE YELLOW CANDLE (Yellow symbolizes longing and light) Let us pray together:

We pray for the young and the old, the perpetrators and the innocents, who live in countries where there is war, where hate and anger and where a lust for revenge has turned neighbour against neighbour, yet where love is kept alive in the hearts of many, and the will to find peaceful solutions is part of the fabric of today's visionaries.

Please, O God, prod us to find those visions, where reconciliation brings peace and wholeness. Amen.

VOICES UNITED 527 (Verse 3 only, seated) God! As with Silent Hearts

LIGHTING THE WHITE CANDLE (White symbolizes hope for transformation) Let us pray together:

It will not be today, O God, and this we acknowledge,

but we trust that some day, some day soon,

the swords of battle will become the tools of peace.

We pray that your prophets are right

when they tell of the lion lying down with the lamb.

Please, God, make your will and your purpose

burn in the hearts of all the peoples of the earth.

Let not the gentle, vulnerable souls of children be sacrificed again – for any reason.

Let Jesus' day of hope begin with us. Amen.

VOICES UNITED 527 (Verse 4 only, seated) God! As with Silent Hearts

LIGHTING THE BLUE CANDLE (Blue symbolizes sorrow in the remembering)

VOICES UNITED 527 (Verse 1 only, seated) God! As with Silent Hearts

IN FLANDERS FIELDS

...Gregg McClelland

*TWO MINUTES OF SILENCE

*PIPER'S LAMENT

*ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Hear the vision of the prophets:

"...and they shall beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nations shall not lift sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

Trust God who longs for peace.

Trust Jesus who remembers us by saying,

"Forgive them for they know not what they do."

Trust the Spirit who moves us to love even our enemies.

We are forgiven, strengthened and empowered to be peace bearers in our world.

Thanks be to God!

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SHARING TIME Stolen Treats

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver, Source of all that is and what shall be.

Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven: the hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and for ever. Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

*VOICES UNITED 222 Come Let Us Sing

BIBLE READING Psalm 23 paraphrased (in unison) **God is my shepherd**,

everything I need is taken care of:

good food to eat, sweet water to drink, a safe place to sleep!

When my soul is broken, God restores it.

When my path gets twisted,

God returns me to the right ways by the Holy Name!

When I walk in shadowed places, where death is waiting for me, I will not be afraid.

I know that you are with me, God.

I am comforted by your guidance, by your readiness to defend me.

Even in the presence of those who would do me harm,

you make sure that I have enough – and more than enough!

You mark me as yours.

I am certain that your goodness and your mercy will always be in my life, and I will be a part of your household forever.

Wow! What a gift to be a part of your household, forever!

DOXOLOGY Maker, in Whom We Live #321 Voices United

Eternal, Triune God, let all the hosts above, let all on earth below record and dwell upon your love. When heaven and earth have fled before your glorious face, may all the saints your love has made sing everlasting praise.

MEDITATION Setting the Table

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM Let There Be Peace On Earth

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)

Just as the poppies of Flanders Fields display life and beauty, may you, O God, bless what we offer back to you from our abundance. In that blessing, O Christ, may what we scatter abroad in your name become sources of new life and of beauty for an aching world, rooted in your peace which passes all understanding. Amen.

*MORE VOICES 154 Deep in Our Hearts

*BENEDICTION

*SONG OF COMMITMENT 145 MV Draw the Circle Wide

Draw the circle wide. Draw it wider still. Let this be our song,
no one stands alone, standing side by side, draw the circle wide.

Let our hearts touch far horizons, so encompass great and small;
let our loving know no borders, faithful to God's call.

Draw the circle wide. Draw it wider still. Let this be our song,
no one stands alone, standing side by side, draw the circle wide.

POSTLUDE Prelude J. Krieger



AV MINISTRY TEAM Stu Mowry, Sean Crawford-Thompson

Greg Hartwick

COUNTERS 5 Don & Angela Hazlewood

NOVEMBER HOUSE LEADERS (Catharine Crawford & John Thompson

NURSERY ATTENDANT ◆ Thank you

SCRIPTURE READER ☐ Angela Hazlewood SLIDE PRESENTATION ◆ Sarah MacKenzie

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ♦ Jackie Clements

WORSHIP To Gord Dunbar