

Kincardine United Church 20th Sunday after Pentecost October 22, 2017 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 Andantino

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOD GATHERS US

MUSICAL INTROIT Come and Fill Our Hearts

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

(adapted from Peace Worship Service, United Church of Canada) We gather together in the name of the One who bids us come. We gather together to hear the words of the One who is Love. F. Liszt

#16 More Voices

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We gather together to sing praises of the One who teaches peace, and to join our voices in prayer:

Holy One, Creator and Spirit of Life,

we thank you for the gift of this day and this gathering of your people.

We have come with our joys and our brokenness.

We have come with our certainties and our confusion.

We have come with our insignificance and our power.

Teach us. Reach us. Nourish us.

Then set us forth to walk, to talk, to write,

to live your message of peace in our corner and through all the lands. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED #577 I've Got Peace Like a River

PRAYER OF CONFESSION If I Have Been the Source of Pain

#76 More Voices

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SHARING TIME

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us,

and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

BIBLE READING Micah 4:1-4 in the Old Testament page 864

*VOICES UNITED #664 What a Friend We Have In Jesus

BIBLE READING Romans 12:9-18 in the New Testament page 162

GLORIA

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be,

world without end. Amen.

MEDITATION "Peace – the impossible dream?"

...Doug Brown

PRAYER FOR PEACE

(from "Praying for Peace" – Mennonite Central Committee, Canada) God of life, who cares for all creation and calls us to justice and peace, **may our security not come from arms, but from respect.** May our force not be of violence, but of love. **May our wealth not be in money, but in sharing.** May our path not be of ambition, but of justice.

May our victory not be from vengeance, but in forgiveness.

May our unity not be in the quest of power, but in vulnerable witness to do your will.

Open and confident, may we defend the dignity of all creation,

sharing today and forever the bread of solidarity, justice and peace.

This we ask in the name of Jesus, your holy Son, our brother,

who, as a victim of our violence, even from the heights of the cross, gave forgiveness to us all.

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Amen.

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM Dona Nobis Pacem

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION AND OFFERTORY Voluntary

***OFFERTORY HYMN 540 VU** Grant Us, God, the Grace Grant us, God, the grace of giving, with a spirit large and free, that ourselves and all our living we may offer faithfully.

*OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)

Bless, O God, what we bring to offer this morning – our selves and our hearts. In your blessing, may pieces of our hearts foster peace in hearts world wide as we live into the heart of your call to justice through grace. Amen.

*MORE VOICES #215 Peace Be with You (sing 3 times)

*BENEDICTION

*SONG OF COMMITMENT 558 VU (v4) We Gather Here to Bid Farewell

POSTLUDE Lobe Den Herren

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