

Kincardine United Church 14th Sunday after Pentecost August 26, 2018 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 Prelude 1 G. Oldroyd

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

Kincardine United Church takes seriously
the commitments made to First Nations communities
through the national Truth and Reconciliation Commission Report,
especially through the Calls to Action to churches like us.

Therefore, we acknowledge, this day, that we gather for worship
on the traditional territories of the Saugeen Ojibway,
and the other indigenous peoples who preceded them –
the original nations of this land –
and we acknowledge, with respect,
their history, their spirituality, and their culture.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

GOD GATHERS US

INTROIT Prelude 2

G. Oldroyd

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH (based on Psalm 84)

It's so wonderful to see everyone coming to praise the living God with joy!

It's so good to greet one another, to feel at home embraced by one another,

to find strength unified in God's heart by the Spirit's power.

It's with pleasure we come into the light of Christ as we listen,

as we follow as companions along the highway of Jesus' sacrificial loving.

It's with happiness and in vulnerability we come to give honour to God, seeking to drink deeply of divine springs of new life.

It's our pleasure to grow our relationship with the Holy One in prayer:

Our souls long for your touch, O God, a transformation which transcends time.

Our minds reach for your wisdom, O Spirit,

a depth which transcends all boundaries.

Our hearts yearn for your healing power, O Christ,

a wholeness which transcends all wounds.

Come Holy Mystery,

who transcends complete knowledge and perfect description,

but who is wholly love

and in whom we move and breathe and have our being. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 220 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison) (based on Ephesians 6:10-20)

Naked of soul we present ourselves to you, O God.

In our vulnerability, in our brokenness, in our wondering,

restore us by clothing us with your grace.

Open our souls to trust in your goodness and mercy

that we be made whole in the silence as we share in you.

(Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE (based on Ephesians 6:10-20)

Know that grace thrives within you, transforming you from the inside out.

We now wear God's belt of truth that we might live honestly.

We don the Spirit's shirt of right relation that we might love one another.

We slip on Christ's sandals of peace that we might share the good news.

As a continuous gift, we now carry the shield of faith in our forgiveness.

May it ever be so in Christ's name. Thanks be to God!

SHARING TIME "Breaded Together"

THE LORD'S PRAYER Mystery Lord's Prayer (say together):

God within us, God beyond us, God among us,

may the Mystery always be named and known

among all peoples and in all times.

May Creation give way to the rule of love and the power of life.

Satisfy our hunger, granting us a hunger to see the whole world fed.

Restore us to right relationship -

with you, with Creation, with others, with ourselves.

Strengthen us to reject all that would lead us away from you.

Come to us when we choose death over life.

Give us courage to follow your call in this moment.

For in your love we find the only power,
the only home, the only honour we will ever need,
in this life and the life to come. Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

BIBLE READING John 6:48-59 from the paraphrase *The Message*

For the Word of God in scripture, among us and within us, **Thanks be to God**.

*MORE VOICES 171 Christ Has No Body Now but Yours

BIBLE READING John 6:60-69 from the paraphrase *The Message*

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 "Jesus As Gluten"

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM St. David Richard Proulx

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)

Bless what we offer this morning, O God, and what we offer each day. May your blessings abound in this congregation, in this community, in this country and around the world because of what we give. In our giving, in our sharing, may we not only be transformed but transform. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 676 God, Make Us Servants of Your Peace

*BENEDICTION

*THREE-FOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE Christ lag in todesbanden

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Thank

AV MINISTRY TEAM

■ Sean Crawford-Thompson,
John and Mary Phillips

COUNTERS 5 Liz & Barry Schmidt

AUGUST HOUSE LEADER 🙀 Sheila Bauer

MUSIC

David Hamilton

NURSERY ATTENDANT ♦ Thank you

SCRIPTURE READER Bernd Portz

SLIDE PRESENTATION ◆ Sarah MacKenzie
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ◆ Catharine Crawford

WORSHIP II Gord Dunbar