

Kincardine United Church 11th Sunday after Pentecost August 5, 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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J.S. Bach PRELUDE **Dearest Jesus**

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 Chippewas of Nawash First Nation, the Saugeen Ojibwe and, more recently, the Saugeen Metis.

We are all Treaty people.

parties to the Upper Canada, Haldimand, Huron and Niagara Treaties.

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 with all who live and work and worship on it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

GOD GATHERS US

INTROIT In the Garden Soloist Susan Ryman

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

We gather in God's name, in God's house, to offer praise and wonder.

We gather on this Sabbath to be kept holy in mind, body and spirit.

We gather to remember a painful history and an inspired response.

We come to seek your healing as the body of Christ.

We come to give thanks, to confess, to love, to be loved.

and to be a church in the world that is an instrument

of healing and justice and reconciliation.

We come to commune with God in prayer:

We come with thanksgiving:

for our very breath, the warmth of the sun, and the sustaining waters,

for life all around us - the plants, soft grasses and sheltering trees,

for the ones that crawl, those that swim, and those that fly,

for the four legged and the two legged – all our relations!

We celebrate the diversity in creation

as reflected in the four winds from four directions.

We especially honour the many peoples with the many gifts

for understanding our shared life on the earth.

We strive to live out the seven sacred teachings:

Respect

Love

Honesty

Courage

Humility

Wisdom

Truth.

These teachings enable us to live in harmony with ourselves,

with our neighbours, and with all the created earth. Amen.

(The Call to Worship is written by Rev. Susan Beaver from Grand River United Church on the Six Nations Reserve in Oshweken near Brantford. Susan was a nominee for Moderator at this summer's General Council and came second in voting to our new Moderator the Right Reverend Doctor Richard Bott. The Prayer of Approach is written by the Very Revered Stan McKay, Moderator of the United Church of Canada from 1992 to 1994 and our only indigenous Moderator. Both writings are used with permission.)

*VOICES UNITED 274 Your Hand, O God, Has Guided

PRAYER OF CONFESSION by Rev. Susan Beaver (used with permission)

God of hope, you entrusted us with the knowledge of justice;

help us as we seek it.

You entrusted us with knowledge of injustice against indigenous peoples in and through the church:

help us as we repent of the past and go forward in solidarity and with love.

You entrusted us with the knowledge

of wounds around us and in our church that need healing;

help us as we minister in your name

and affirm your goodness and grace in the world.

God of the kin-dom, send your Spirit upon us.

(Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

by Rev. Susan Beaver (used with permission)

Jesus promises a helper who will guide our living and our healing.

We welcome your Spirit into our minds as our thinking;

we welcome your Spirit into our senses as perceiving;

we welcome your Spirit into our throats as our speaking;

we welcome your Spirit into our hearts as our loving;

we welcome your Spirit into our bodies as our moving,

all so that we may love and serve your world, your church and your people.

Thanks be to the risen Christ alive within and among us!

SHARING TIME "The Honour Drum" by Cheryl Bear and Tim Huff

THE LORD'S PRAYER (we sing)

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.

ANTHEM Be

Because He Lives

Soloist Susan Ryman

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

BIBLE READING AND HYMN MASH-UP

Ephesians 4:1-16 from the paraphrase *The Message* and #171 More Voices

MEDITATION AND JINGLE DRESS DANCE "Navigating by Love" ...featuring Jaylynne Wolfe

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM How Great Thou Art

Soloist Susan Ryman

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

(The Community Prayers are modified from ones written by the Rev. Maggie McLeod, the Executive Minister, Aboriginal Ministries and Indigenous Justice, United Church of Canada. Maggie was ordained by Hamilton Conference in 2001 and served in Bruce Presbytery. This prayer was inspired by the late Mrs. Edith Memnook's 1998 words in acknowledgement of the 1986 Apology given in Sudbury by then Moderator the Very Reverend Doctor Bob Smith, used with permission)

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERING PRAYER by Very Rev. Stan McKay (used with permission)

In gratitude for our own healing and for the opportunity to bring healing to all nations, we pray:

God, may we – through our offerings and through our everyday living – enter into your reconciled and fruitful life

so that every place we go and every person we meet will not fail to know your love. Amen.

*MORE VOICES 154 Deep in Our Hearts

*BENEDICTION

*THREE-FOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE Praise to the Lord Diane Bish



AV MINISTRY TEAM
Stu Mowry, Dave Leaning, Jim Zarubick

COUNTERS Stu & Donna Mowry

AUGUST HOUSE LEADERS

Sheila Bauer

NURSERY ATTENDANT ◆ Teresa Perfrement

SCRIPTURE READER Bernd Portz

SLIDE PRESENTATION ◆ Sarah MacKenzie

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ◆ Jackie Clements

WORSHIP Gord Dunbar



Wow! Thank you Jaylynne Wolfe for sharing your passionate concern about murdered and missing indigenous women and girls, your talented dancing and your radiant smile.

Thank you for being with us today, in the middle of the summer, in the middle of The Old Boys and Girls Reunion weekend, one week before the big Pow-Wow and while your broken wrist is still healing.

As we walk the healing path of reconciliation, your Jingle Dress Dance will remain with us as part of building bridges and deepening understanding.