

Kincardine United Church 10th Sunday after Pentecost August 9, 2020 10:30 a.m.

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PRELUDE Pastorella F. W. Marpurg

**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**

#### SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

# **GOD GATHERS US**

INTROIT Prelude J. C. Kittle

## LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

### CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

The disciples were on the sea in the midst of a storm.

They were frightened by the danger they faced.

They wondered if anyone – even Jesus – knew their tribulations.

Then Jesus cried out, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

And they immediately felt calm and confidence.

There are days during this pandemic when we feel lost and alone.

The challenges of life overtake us while each day's struggles overwhelm us.

The demands are many; the burdens are great.

Then Jesus cries out, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

And we are immediately filled with calm and confidence – and hope.

We come in anticipation that the future brings hope out of uncertainty.

There is so much that leaves us feeling helpless and alone.

We come seeking the dawning of a new Way, a Way of peace and goodwill.

Then Jesus cries out, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

And we work to create the immediacy of a realm of calm and confidence – of risking it all through faith.

As we risk, let us seek communion with God in prayer:

Daring God, here we are to celebrate your presence among us.

Open our minds to possibility.

Open our hearts to love freely.

Open our hands to each other.

Work through us, we pray. Amen.

\*VOICES UNITED 268 Bring Many Names

**ASSURANCE OF GRACE** 

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (silent prayer)

**SHARING TIME** Lifejackets

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father-Mother, who is in the heavens, may your name be made holy, may your dominion come, may your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today the bread we need;

and forgive us our debts, as we have forgiven our debtors; and do not put us to the test, but rescue us from evil. For yours is the dominion, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

# **GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD**

BIBLE READING Matthew 14:22-27 in the New Testament on page 16

\*MORE VOICES28 God of the Bible

BIBLE READING Matthew 14:28-33 in the New Testament on page 16

**DOXOLOGY** Gloria Patri

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** Gathered Up

# **GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND**

ANTHEM A Covenant Prayer Allen Pote
Lord, make me what you will, I put myself into your hands.
Put me to doing, put me to suffering, let me be employed for you,
or laid aside for you.

Lord, make me what you will, I will no longer be my own.

Let me be full, let me be empty, let me have all things, let me have nothing, Lord, I freely and with a willing heart, give it all to you, all to you, to your pleasure and disposal. Lord.

Make me, make me what you will.

## **COMMUNITY PRAYERS**

OFFERING INVITATION AND OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)
Receive these gifts that we offer back to you, loving God,
as a symbol of all that we seek to be and to do in Jesus' Way.
Bless these gifts, directing us for their use in Christ's name,

# nurturing the wellbeing of all as we glorify you. Amen.

\* VOICES UNITED 567 Will You Come and Follow Me

## \*BENEDICTION

\*SONG OF COMMITMENT "Ameni" (sung twice) from #219 More Voices Ameni, ameni, amen, amen, ameni, amen

POSTLUDE Christ Lag in Todesbanden

J. S. Bach