

Kincardine United Church 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost July 21, 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 Dearest Jesus

J.S. Bach

#### WELCOME

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

Jesus calls us into the world to love one another as we are loved by God. As we came to this land,

First Nations peoples welcomed us, sustained us and taught us. We did not hear them when they shared their vision.

In our zeal to tell them the good news of Jesus Christ,

we were closed to the value of their spirituality.

## We confused Western ways and culture

with the depth, breadth, length and height of the gospel of Christ. We imposed our civilization as a condition of accepting the gospel.

As a result, the image of the Creator in us is twisted, blurred, and we are not what we are meant by God to be.

In our journey toward reconciliation, we acknowledge, this day, that we gather for worship on the traditional territories of the Saugeen Ojibway and more recently, the Saugeen Métis, 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

# **GRANDFATHERS' TEACHING ON LOVE**

BIBLE READING Colossians 1:15-17 from the paraphrase The Message

# SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

# **GOD GATHERS US**

INTROIT Dundee

Healey Willan

# LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

As our eyes are opened and love is spoken, we meet our light through the joy and fight of life. We won't take our eyes off the Light of Christ, for Christ's Light leads us within the gift of love.

# INVITATION

Come as people invited to feast – feasting on relationship for each and with all.
We come at Christ's fairest invitation to be nurtured and to be fed.
Come in all our diversity and with all our differences to this one table.
We come as one,

accepting Christ's invitation to his table of equity and of grace.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your heats.
We lift them up to God.
Let us give God our thanks and praise.
It is right to give thanks and praise to God as we sing.

\*VOICES UNITED 341 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

We come before God at Christ's invitation to this table of Spirited welcome. We come remembering the stories of our faith.

We remember God's covenant of love with so many:

with Adam and Eve, with Noah and his family, with Abraham and Sarah, with Moses and Miriam, with prophets ancient

and with prophets modern,

with Mary and Joseph, with the disciples following the Way of Jesus. We remember in those stories how often people of faith stumbled along the Way. In their frequent turning away from God, we feel kinship and sorrow.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(based on Colossians 1:21 from the paraphrase The Message) From where does our kinship and sorrow come?

We, ourselves, are a case study of what Jesus does with us.

At many times we all have had our backs turned to God,

thinking rebellious thoughts, giving trouble every chance we got.

So, we open our minds, our hearts, our souls to Jesus' embrace,

trusting in silent prayer the One who shows us the Way. (Silent Prayer)

\*VOICES UNITED 364 "Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive"

# **GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD**

## **GRANDFATHERS' TEACHING ON LOVE**

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Because our ancestors turned from God so often, God's response came through Jesus the living Christ.

BIBLE READING Colossians 1:15a, 22-23 from the paraphrase The Message

For this good news of grace within which is our forgiveness, **thanks be to God.** 

## **COMMUNITY PRAYERS**

## 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.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

BIBLE READING Colossians 1:15a, 18-20 from the paraphrase The Message

## **GRANDFATHERS' TEACHING ON LOVE**

**ANTHEM** "Let Us Break Bread Together"

composed by Jay Althouse sung by Rod Coates

#### PRAYER FOR THE SPIRIT'S BLESSING

Let us join together in prayer as we ask for the Spirit's blessing: In the power of love, O Spirit, may you bless what we partake this day. May the bread by which we are fed, feed our passion for loving kindness. May the grape juice of which we drink,

empower us to drink deeply of your love for each and for all. May the act of coming together as one at Christ's table,

motivate us to come together with all your Creation for love. Bless us with grace and with faith as disciples of the Way. Amen.

## DOXOLOGY "KNOW THAT GOD IS GOOD" #104 MORE VOICES Know that God is good, know that God is good,

know that God is good, God is good, God is good.

## DISTRIBUTION

Communion will be served at the front of the church. The ushers will direct you forward using the centre aisle to receive the bread, to receive the small glass of grape juice, to prayerfully partake of each. Please return to your seat using the side aisles.

Gluten-free crackers are available separately from the bread.

Please let an usher know if you wish to be served in your seat. An appropriate response when receiving the bread or grape juice is "Amen."

**BIBLE READING** Colossians 1:24-29 from the paraphrase *The Message* For the word of God in scripture, among us and within us, **thanks be to God. GRANDFATHERS' TEACHING ON LOVE** 

MEDITATION "All You Need Is Love – and It's a Hard Day's Night"

## VIDEO CONCLUSION "Light" by Gungor

Your eyes, they opened, and love was spoken: the tears came tumbling down.

Your heart was broken, the words were spoken:

the tears came tumbling down.

And the blind gained sight, as we met our light;

oh the joy and fight – the gift of life.

Your hands, the creases, your feet, your breathing:

you're mine, you're perfect light.

And the blind gained sight, as we met our light;

oh the joy and fight – the gift of life.

I can't take my eyes off of you, oh, my Light;

I can't take my eyes off of you.

I can't take my eyes off of you, oh, my Light; I can't take my eyes off of you.

And the blind gained sight, as we met our light;

oh the joy and fight – the gift of love.

## **GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND**

#### OFFERING INVITATION

**OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)** 

What we offer to you this morning, O God, is our love. We return the love with which you abundantly shower us, seeking your blessing that our hearts may bless others with love, that our minds may bless others with understanding, that our souls may bless others with faith. Amen.

\*MORE VOICES 171 "Christ Has No Body Now but Yours"

## \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION INTO THE WORLD

As we go into the world, we carry within us the seeds of love. We have been nourished with your bread and grape juice, O Christ. We have been strengthened at communion while enriched by diversity. We have been brought together as one by the bonds of Love. May you germinate us as your loving servants, O God,

so that your seeds of love are planted in Jesus' name. Amen.

\*BENEDICTION

\*SONG OF COMMITMENT Three-Fold Amen Amen. Amen. Amen.

**POSTLUDE** Prelude in F

J.S. Bach

Thank	
AV MINISTRY TEAM 🚅	Jim and Judy Zarubick,
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