

Kincardine United Church 7th Sunday after Pentecost July 28th, 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 Jesus Our Redeemer

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WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

For thousands of years, First Nations peoples have walked this land, weaving their identity and their spirituality intimately with the land.

European colonisation came about in large part because of the Doctrine of Discovery,

a flawed understanding that ignores Indigenous presence on the land.

Affirming the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and, therefore, repudiating the wrong of such a doctrine, we begin our worship this morning by acknowledging the unceded territory of the Saugeen Ojibwe and, more recently, the Saugeen Métis.

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 Voluntary Tomkins

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

If you are carrying the stresses and strains of living in a complex world, if you feel at times like God has abandoned you,

find the heartbeat of God in our gathering within divine mystery.

If you are puzzled by the choices your neighbours or family make,

if you are wondering how to make your own choices with so many options,

come and discover the voice of Christ speaking to our hearts of wholeness.

Come to commune with God within us, God beyond us and God among us, reaching into restorative relationship with the holy one in prayer:

Powerful Spirit, who breathes us into freedom and insight, guide us on the Way of Jesus that we find zeal for faithfulness, enflame our trust in you that we become proclaimers of good news, strengthen us for the challenge of your call at the price of loving. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 421 "Lead On, O Cloud of Presence"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

There are so many temptations in our world, O God, so many distractions from your way of self-giving wholeness. For each step we take, there seems to be another saviour with easy solutions. We yearn for ease, for simplicity, for resolution, for certainty. Move within our hearts, we pray, that we follow where you lead, that we set our mind for ever-evolving understanding, that we engage our souls within your healing power.

(Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

SHARING TIME "Distractions"

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

VOICES UNITED 802 Psalm 85

*VOICES UNITED 236 "Now Thank We All Our God"

BIBLE READING Hosea 1:2-11 from the Paraphrase *The Message*

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.

MEDITATION "Metaphorically Speaking"

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross

arr. & played by Don Eyre

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)

Our selves, our actions, our words, our mission and our souls – we dedicate them all to you, O God.

Bless us and our gifts for your service

that we may speak our faith by our cheerful giving back. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 574 "Come Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love"

*BENEDICTION

*SONG OF COMMITMENT Three-fold Amen

POSTLUDE Nun Danket J.C. Oley

Thank you

Judy Zarubick

COUNTERS Stu and Donna Mowry

JULY HOUSE LEADERS Debbie & Rad Michielson

MUSIC

☐ David Hamilton, Don Eyre

SLIDE PRESENTATION ◆ Sarah MacKenzie
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ◆ Krista Ritchie

WORSHIP Gord Dunbar