

# Kincardine United Church Celtic service July 9, 2017 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 invites you to say the words.** \*invites you to stand as you are able.

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PRELUDE Pipers outside

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# **GOD GATHERS US**

**MUSICAL INTROIT** Pipers

## LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

CALL TO WORSHIP (from "Iona Abby Worship Book" page 100, used with permission)

Jesus says, "I am the Way for you." And so we come to follow Christ.

Jesus says, "I am the Truth for you." And so we come to follow Christ.

Jesus says, "I am the Life for you." And so we come,

leaving behind all else to which we cling.

PRAYER OF APPROACH (from "Iona Abby Worship Book" page 105-106, used with permission)

O God of the high heavens, O Christ of the deep earth, O Spirit of the flowing waters, O Trinity of love you have offered your love to us and here we pledge our love to you.

Strengthen us in our desire, and breathe into our bodies the passion of your love. We pray this in the name of Jesus, to whom we commit ourselves. Amen.

## \*VOICES UNITED #409 Morning Has Broken

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (from "The Pattern of Our Days: Worship in the Celtic Tradition from the Iona Community" pp 96-97, used with permission) When the world tells us we are what we do with our activity, acumen, or achievement,

let us learn

## we are what we do with our silence.

When the world tells us we are what we do with our spending power, our selling power, or our power of speech, let us learn

## we are what we do with our silence.

When the world tells us to drown the silent sufferings of others with indifference or noise, or to forget the art of stillness even in the storm, let us learn

## we are what we do with our silence.

When the world tells us to rush in where angels fear to tread,

let us learn angels listen before they take a step for the voice of God in the silence...

(Silent Prayer)

**ASSURANCE OF GRACE** (from "Essential Celtic Prayers" by Thomas McPherson, p.36,used with permission)

There is no plant in the ground but is full of God's virtue,

there is no form in the strand but is full of God's blessings.

Right it is to praise God.

There is no life in the sea, there is no creature in the river,

there is nothing in the firmament, but proclaims God's goodness.

Right it is to praise God.

There is no bird on the wing, there is no star in the sky,

there is nothing beneath the sun, but proclaims God's goodness. Right it is to praise God.

## SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

## **SHARING TIME**

## 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.

## **GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD**

BIBLE READING Song of Solomon 2:8-13 Old Testament page 622

**\*VOICES UNITED #296** This Is God's Wondrous World

BIBLE READING Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 Old Testament page 20 - 21

#### **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** Matchmaker, Matchmaker, Make Me a Match

# **GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND**

ANTHEM **Pipers** 

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION AND OFFERTORY

## **OFFERTORY HYMN**

What can I do? What can I bring? What can I say? What can I sing? I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer. I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

OFFERING PRAYER (from "lona Abby Worship Book" pp. 101-102, used with permission)

Look at your hands, see the touch of tenderness, Look at your feet, see the path and the direction, Look at your heart, see the fire and the love, Look at the cross, see God's Son and our Saviour, God's own for the world. This is God's world.

God's own for the world. God's own for the world. God's own for the world. and we will serve God in it.

**\*VOICES UNITED #884** You Shall Go Out with Joy

## BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

**POSTLUDE** Pipers outside

**AV MINISTRY TEAM** F Thank you

**COUNTERS &** Donna and Stu Mowry

JULY HOUSE LEADERS 
Rad & Debbie Michielson

**MUSIC** J David Hamilton, KUC Choir

**NURSERY ATTENDANT ♦** Pat Porter

**SCRIPTURE READER** And Michielson

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER** 

Teresa Perfrement

WORSHIP TREV. Gord Dunbar

