

Kincardine United Church 3rd Sunday after Pentecost, Father's Day June 21, 2020 10:30 a.m.

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 Tiento Del Primoero Tono

Antonia de Cabezon

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 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

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

GOD GATHERS US

INTROIT Prelude (Op. 15, No. 1)

Gustave Merkel

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

Come to this closed worship space even as the province begins to open, while we breathlessly anticipate a return to the "ease" we remember.

We come uncertain and anxious on this Fathers' Day, longing for assurance and for guidance from our heavenly Father, seeking a path of safety for friend and for stranger.

Come through our live steaming or through the recording of this worship to this time of testimony that witnesses to the riskiness of caring for others.

We come with thanksgiving for the Spirit's leading,

for the inspiration of Spirit breath as we give of ourselves for others.

Come to commune with God in prayer as we gather:

We crawl into your lap, Father God, needing to be comforted.

We listen to the "lub-dub" of your heartbeat, snuggling into your life-rhythm.

We feel the rise and fall of your breathing, the ebb and flow of our being.

Caress us with the strength of your loving that we may love each one.

Hold us in the protection of your arms that we may hold others with caring. Sing to us your song of faith that we may be your harmony in the world.

Teach us the Way of Jesus that we may become your hands and feet. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 559 Come, O Fount of Every Blessing

ANTHEM "Life Is Unfair" duet by Wally and Linda Jirgens -written by Wally Jirgens

I've been told life is unfair, when all that's bad happens to you. Those that we love most, are taken away, those that are evil prosper each day.

I've been told, life is unfair, when our prayers don't come true. When life falls apart, we lose all hope, we feel deserted, we cannot cope. But then that day comes, the angels are waiting, to take us from here, and bring us home to him.
All our sorrows, all of our problems, are left behind, he rids us of pain.

I've been told life is unfair when we don't have all that we need. We see others prosper, we can't pay our bills, life is so cruel, we lost our will. But then that day comes, the angels are waiting, to take us from here, and bring us home to him. All of our sorrows, all of our problems, are left behind, he rids us of pain.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Silent Prayer)

SHARING TIME Who Am I to Say No?
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music and words by Linnea Good, used with permission.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (use #2)

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 Matthew 10:24-25 from the paraphrase *The Message*

COVID-19 FROM THE FRONT LINES Lydia Ritchie

VOICES UNITED 508 (verse 1 only) Just as I Am

BIBLE READING Matthew 10:26-27 from the paraphrase *The Message*

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BIBLE READING Matthew 10:28 from the paraphrase *The Message*

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VOICES UNITED 508 (verse 2 only) Just as I Am

BIBLE READING Matthew 10:29-31 from the paraphrase *The Message*

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BIBLE READING Matthew 10:32-33 from the paraphrase *The Message*

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VOICES UNITED 508 (verse 3 only) Just as I Am

BIBLE READING Matthew 10:34-37 from the paraphrase *The Message*

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VOICES UNITED 508 (verse 4 only) Just as I Am

BIBLE READING Matthew 10:38-39 from the paraphrase *The Message*

COVID-19 FROM THE FRONT LINES

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.

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION AND OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)
Whether from the front lines of COVID-19, or from our homes,
whether from our time, our talent or our treasure,
we give back to you, O God, our offering from your bounty.
May you bless what we give that it may bless the world in Christ's name.
Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 660 How Firm a Foundation

*BENEDICTION

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

POSTLUDE Toccata "Lobe Den Herren"

Hans Friedrich Micheelsen