

Kincardine United Church 7th Sunday of Easter June 2, 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 3 Chorale Preludes D. Buxtehude

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

Kincardine United Church takes seriously

the commitments made to First Nations communities

through the national Truth and Reconciliation Commission Report, especially through the Calls to Action to churches like us.

Therefore, 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 Love God, All Christians

J.G. Walther

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

Do you come to this place with burdens on your souls, with frustrations in your hearts, with worries possessing your minds, with doubt and wondering challenging your faith?

Yes! Of course! We always come with baggage like that,

but we also come to give honour and reverence to God's reign in our lives.

Do you come to this place expecting God to rescue you and defeat your enemies, to tie everything up in a beautiful reign-bow of perfection?

That's what we hope and dream might happen,

but more importantly we come to strengthen relationships of love, to grow as we learn to love our enemies with compassion.

Then let us dwell in God's heart as we pray:

Life is never simple, living Christ, for even you found out the hard way.

Fear so often rules our living and our decisions,

trapping us in prisons of our own making.

Free us, surprising Spirit, that we might re-discover your purpose in love, a love which stretches us beyond who we thought we could be. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 213 "Rejoice, the Lord is King"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

In gratitude and in affirmation for your work within us,

we give you thanks and praise for your forgiveness and your healing. We now know our relationship in and with you is full and bountiful, that within you we find our home as you live within us.

We re-dedicate ourselves to your witness of love in a fractured world. Hallelujah!

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

BIBLE READING Acts 16:11-15 from the paraphrase *The Message*

SHARING TIME "Facing Perception"

THE LORD'S PRAYER (we sing)

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.

BIBLE READING Acts 16:16-22 from the paraphrase *The Message*

*MORE VOICES 145 "Draw the Circle Wide"

BIBLE READING Acts 16:23-40 from the paraphrase The Message

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 "Reigning People"

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM Go Out and Serve Him

Don Besig

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)

Take what we return to you, O God, out of your gifts of bounty to us. May you bless these gifts joyfully given as signs of your grace. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 271 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

*BENEDICTION

*SONG OF COMMITMENT #298 VU "When You Walk from Here" When you walk from here, when you walk from here, walk with justice, walk with mercy, and with God's humble care.

D. Buxtehude



AV MINISTRY TEAM 🛋 Thank you

COUNTERS Stu & Donna Mowry

JUNE HOUSE LEADERS

Sheila Bauer & Donna Mowry

MUSIC J David Hamilton

NURSERY ATTENDANT ◆ Thank you

SCRIPTURE READER □ Julia Metzger

SLIDE PRESENTATION ◆ Sarah MacKenzie

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ◆ Teresa Perfrement

WORSHIP Gord Dunbar