

Kincardine United Church 3rd Sunday after Pentecost June 30, 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 Voluntary 2

Thomas Tompkins

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, honouring all who live, work and worship on it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

GOD GATHERS US

INTROIT Voluntary 1

Thomas Tomkins

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

Come into this sacred space,

free to be who you are and loved into faithful becoming.

We come to embrace the freedom we find in the living Christ, a freedom which grows as we serve in love.

Come and openly embrace the Spirit's animated movement, loving one another as we have learned to love ourselves.

We come to nurture the fruits of the Spirit within us, discovering meaning and purpose as we share.

Let us join as one, encountering God in the intimacy of prayer:

We seek our wholeness in you, O Christ,

yearning to be woven together as your living body,
a community of faith that shares your gifts
of humility, of bravery, of honesty, of wisdom,
of truth, of respect and, most of all, of self-giving love.

Be the ground of our being, we pray,

that we may root ourselves in your heart,

that we may support one another through fruitful living, that we may reach out into your light along the Way. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 382 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God, you tell me over and over that I am loved.

I struggle with that because I know there are ways and times I am un-love-ly.

I know that I am a constant work in progress – and sometimes the progress is slow.

So, I come freely now to open my inner self,

to expose those ways and those times I am un-love-ly.

to turn back toward you for healing and for wholeness.

(Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

SHARING TIME "Different Every Time"

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.

*MORE VOICES 79 "Spirit, Open My Heart"

BIBLE READING Galatians 5:1, 13-25 from the paraphrase *The Message*

MEDITATION "Fruitful Harvest"

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM "I Have a Life That's Good" Ashley Monroe and Sarah Siskind

...Sung by Morgan and Lydia Ritchie

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)

With the freedom to follow where Christ leads, O God,

you bless us and equip us

for sharing our selves and our bounty with others.

May your blessings continue to sanctify us for Spirited service. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 600 "When I Needed a Neighbour"

*BENEDICTION

*SONG OF COMMITMENT Three-Fold Amen

Amen. Amen. Amen.

POSTLUDE Siahamba John Behnke