



Kincardine United Church
5th Sunday after Lent
March 29, 2020 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 I Call to Thee

J.S. Bach

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

(Slightly modified from the one used at Saugeen Wesley United Church)

For thousands of years,

First Nations people have lived on this land and by these waters;
this relationship is at the centre of their lives and spirituality.

**We are gathered as a non-Indigenous community of faith
on the traditional territory of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation,
and acknowledge their stewardship through the ages.**

We seek to live together in respect, friendship and peace.

Jesus calls us into the world to love one another as we are loved by God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

GOD GATHERS US

INTROIT I Call to Thee

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LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

Does it feel weird to be worshipping at home although connected electronically?

Well, you can't say that it's the way we've always done it, can you?

Does it feel odd to be repeating these words out loud while facing a screen?

I must admit I feel a little bit like a hermit gone mad.

Even with your feelings of dislocation, of dis-membering from our family of faith,
come to worship God who unites our hearts as one.

We come in ones, in twos or in family groups,

anticipating the Spirit's touch that lets us know we are not alone.

Come into this space of souls' touch as we pray:

Loving God, we don't know what to make of each new change,

each new development in our society's wrestling

with this COVID-19 pandemic.

There are moments each day when we just don't know what will happen.

We come, companion Jesus, to know we are not alone,

to be comforted by your strong presence among us,

to be strengthened by the Spirit's guidance,

to be more mindful of your deep peace as a gift of love and life.

Be with us this morning, we pray, and throughout our week. Amen.

***VOICES UNITED 376 Spirit of the Living God**

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Silent Prayer)*

SHARING TIME Changing with the Wind

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

MASH UP WITH VOICES UNITED 186 AND EZEKIEL 37:1-14

DOXOLOGY Glory to You, My God #440 Voices United verse 5 only
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
in heaven above and earth below;
one God, three persons we adore –
be praises given forevermore.

MEDITATION Finding Life Again

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)

Take what we offer this morning, O God,
take our caring for our neighbours from a distance,
take our phone calls, texts and Facebook greetings with our families,
take our action of staying home and physical distancing,
take all we offer this morning in word, in action and in donation,
blessing us and our giving in Jesus' name. Amen.

***MORE VOICES 145** Draw the Circle Wide

***BENEDICTION**

***SONG OF COMMITMENT** I Have Called You by Your Name
 #161 More Voices

I have given you a name, it is mine;
I have given you my Spirit as a sign.
With my wonder in your soul, make my wounded children whole;
go and tell my precious people they are mine.

POSTLUDE Trumpet Tune

Purcell