

Kincardine United Church All Saints/Memorial Sunday Service October 29, 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 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 Canadian Shield March Anthem And March The Heavens Are Telling Dem Bones Open My Eyes – featuring Rod Coates Down To The River To Pray Bless This House – featuring David Mullenix

all performed by K.U.C.I.E.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOD GATHERS US

MUSICAL INTROIT Grant Us Peace

performed by K.U.C.I.E.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

Come as people who carry cherished memory of that great cloud of witnesses – the saints of our lives who touched us.

We come to celebrate our memories as blessing and as promise.

Come to witness to life, to death, to life beyond death as freedom in loving.

We come to bless those who have gifted us with wisdom.

Come closer to God in prayer as we open our hearts:

Loving God, who surrounds us with care and with compassion,

we come as those whose hearts are full:

full of longing for those who have died,

full of blessings because we shared life and breath with them,

full of hope in believing they nestle into your healing arms.

Breathe on us your assurance and your faith, we pray. Amen.

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Too often we hide, O Christ, when others ask how we're doing. "Fine" we reply, but we're not.

There is a brokenness we experience that we fear to reveal,

for we worry it makes us less – somehow – weaker, frailer, diminished. In the intimacy of prayer, in the Spirit's embrace, we confess our brokenness. (*Silent Prayer*)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SHARING TIME Remembering

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 Matthew 5:1-12 in the New Testament page 4

*VOICES UNITED #494 Those Hearts that We Have Treasured

BIBLE READING 1st John 3:1-3 from the paraphrase *The Message*

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 "Dead to Rights"

OFFERING INVITATION AND OFFERTORY Love Lifted Me - featuring Art Postuma

performed by K.U.C.I.E.

***OFFERTORY HYMN 540 VU** Grant Us, God, the Grace Grant us, God, the grace of giving, with a spirit large and free, that ourselves and all our living we may offer faithfully.

*OFFERING PRAYER (in unison) Gracious God, we are blessed in our poverty, our meekness, our thirst and hunger for right relation in our openness to you. Receive these tokens and pledges of our love. Use these gifts, we pray, for the building of your kin-dom. Amen.

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS OF OUR LIVES

A TIME TO REMEMBER THE SAINTS OF OUR LIVES

THE PLACING OF MEMORIAL FLOWERS

MEMORIAL AFFIRMATION

In life, in death, in life beyond death, you are with us, O God. God of all the saints, we thank you for the blessing and the memory of those we love.

BLESSING OUR BEGINNINGS AND OUR ENDINGS Paper Flowers

SILENT REFLECTION

ANTHEM On Eagle's Wings

Joncas

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

*VOICES UNITED #896 Blest Are They

*BENEDICTION

*SONG OF COMMITMENT 558 VU (v4) We Gather Here to Bid Farewell

POSTLUDE Die Meistersinger

performed by K.U.C.I.E.

