



Kincardine United Church
12th Sunday after Pentecost, Labour Day Sunday
September 1st, 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.

Black bold print in the bulletin & on screens invites you to say the words.

*An asterisk in the bulletin indicates you may sit or stand.

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PRELUDE

Prelude

G. Merkel

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, more recently, the Saugeen Métis,
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

J.C. Kittel

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

Look at all of us! Aren't we a magnificent menagerie muddled together?
Look at all our different shapes, our different faces, our different selves.

**We come in all our diversity and with all our strengths,
invited by the three-in-one to become one though many.**

Is that even possible to become greater than the sum of our parts?

**We come because we trust stories of good news shared,
a continuing saga of becoming the kin-dom of God, which shouts "Yes!"**

Come, then, to focus our monkey brains within the intimate conversation of prayer:

Thoughts chase their tails within our minds, distracting and disrupting.

So, we pause, O Christ, enfolded in your calming embrace as we breathe.

(Silent Prayer)

Calmed and clarified by your Spirit's presence deep within us, we pray:

**Loving God, we thank you for the creative connections among us,
enabling us to know one another as worthy siblings,**

encouraging us to discover the breadth of your wisdom as gift,

enthusing us with grace-filled passion to co-create heaven on earth.

Nestled into your heart, may our hearts know your purpose. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 234 "Let Us with a Gladsome Mind"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

There are times, O God, when we wonder why others aren't more like us.

There are more times, O Christ,

when we despair others might find out

that we are far less than we make ourselves to be.

Forgive us for doubting your gifts of strength and of wisdom within us.

Open us to your vision for who we may become in community

if we but trust your Spirit's guidance.

(Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

SHARING TIME "Who Is the Most Important?"

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 Hebrews 13:1, 13-16 from the paraphrase *The Message*

MORE VOICES 173 "Put Peace into Each Other's Hands"

BIBLE READING Luke 14:1, 7-14 in the New Testament on page 77

DOXOLOGY "KNOW THAT GOD IS GOOD" #104 MORE VOICES

Know that God is good, know that God is good,
 know that God is good, God is good, God is good.

MEDITATION "Lock-Step or Love-Step?"

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM Siciliana

G. Golterman

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)

These gifts we offer, O God, comprise the labour of our hands,
 forged in the loving of our hearts, given through your gift of faith.
 Bless what we offer that your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

***VOICES UNITED** 697 "O for a World"

***BENEDICTION**

***SONG OF COMMITMENT** Three-Fold Amen

POSTLUDE Fughetta in c minor

J. Krieger



AV MINISTRY TEAM 📺 John & Mary Phillips, Stu Mowry

COUNTERS 💰 Bernd & Ursula Portz

SEPTEMBER HOUSE LEADERS 🗨️ Thank you

MUSIC 🎵 David Hamilton

NURSERY ATTENDANT ♦ Thank you

SCRIPTURE READER 📖 Thank you

SLIDE PRESENTATION ♦ Sarah MacKenzie

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ♦ Teresa Perfrement

WORSHIP 🕊️ Gord Dunbar