



Kincardine United Church
Creation Time 1, Gathering Sunday
September 8th, 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

J.C. Kittel

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

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

As we came to this land,

First Nations peoples welcomed us, sustained us and taught us.

We did not hear them when they shared their vision.

In our zeal to tell them the good news of Jesus Christ,
we were closed to the value of their spirituality.

We confused Western ways and culture

**with the depth, breadth, length and height of the gospel of Christ.
We imposed our civilization as a condition of accepting the gospel.**

As a result, the image of the Creator in us is twisted, blurred,
and we are not what we are meant by God to be.

**In our journey toward reconciliation, 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 Trio

A. Armsdorff

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

Come as people open to the Spirit's movement among and within us.

We come in anticipation and with openness to your Word.

Come as people wishing to work for a new creation.

We come to listen and to worship as we embrace the good news.

As we gather, let us join our hearts in prayer:

Gather us in, O God, as people yearning for your loving.

Gather us in, O Christ, as people longing for your freedom.

Gather us in, O Spirit, as people seeking your enthusiasm for joy.

Gather us in, one to each other, helping us to strengthen bonds of faith.

**Gather us in, stranger and family, foe and friend, in and out,
establishing our common identity in the risen Christ. Amen.**

***OPENING HYMN** "Here in This Place (Gather Us In)"

Note: The first two verses will be sung by the Choir.

1. Here in this place the new light is streaming;
now is the darkness vanished away;
see in this space our fears and our dreamings
brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken;
gather us in, the blind and the lame;
call to us now, and we shall awaken;
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

2. We are the young, our lives are a mystery.
We are the old who yearn for your face.
We have been sung through-out all of history,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty;
gather us in, the proud and the strong;
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly;
give us the courage to enter the song.

3. **Here we will take the wine and the water;
here we will take the bread of new birth.
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion;
give us to eat the bread that is you;
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.**

4. **Not in the dark of buildings confining,
not in some heaven, light years away:
here in this place the new light is shining;
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever;
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *based on Jeremiah 18:1-11 (in unison)*

**Here we are, O God, spoiled clay turning on the wheel of life.
Your design for us was brilliant – beauty, love and life combined.
We long for your hands to work within us,
making plentiful use of the waters of our baptisms,
smoothing old fractures and recent cracks,
turning each of us on your potter's wheel,
salvaging your good within and reshaping us for you.
Re-form us, we pray, as we are held in your hands.**

(Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

SHARING TIME "Christ with Me"

APPRECIATION COVENANT

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*say together*)

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 Philemon 1-12 dramatized

***VOICES UNITED 664** "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

BIBLE READING Philemon 13-21 dramatized

DOXOLOGY "Praise with Joy the World's Creator" #312 Voices United
Praise with joy the world's Creator, God of justice, love, and peace,
source and end of human knowledge,
God whose grace shall never cease.
Celebrate the Maker's glory, power to rescue and release.

MEDITATION "Chain Smoking"

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM A Covenant Prayer

Pote

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)
 In our giving, O God, we break our fears of what's possible.
 Bless our freedom in what we offer
 that we may continue to serve the world in your name. Amen.

***VOICES UNITED 562** "Jesus Calls Us"

***BENEDICTION**

***SONG OF COMMITMENT** "We Are Marching" #646 Voices United
 We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.
 We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.
 We are marching, marching, we are marching (oo),
 we are marching in the light of God.
 We are marching, marching, we are marching (oo),
 we are marching in the light of God.



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