



**Kincardine United Church
16th Sunday after Pentecost
September 9, 2018 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 *learning new hymn Voices United #593*

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

We begin by acknowledging that we are meeting on aboriginal land that has been inhabited by Indigenous peoples from the beginning.

We gather for worship on the traditional territories of the Saugeen Ojibway, and the other indigenous peoples who preceded them.

We recognize the importance of the historic contributions of Indigenous peoples, Metis and Inuit.

We, as settlers, commit to making the promises and challenges of the calls to action - from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Report - realized in our communities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

GOD GATHERS US

INTROIT St. Peter

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LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Proverbs 22 & Psalm 125)

Joyful are those who have God as their helper.

God made heaven and earth, the sea and everything in them.

God gives justice to the oppressed and food to the hungry.

God frees the prisoners and opens the eyes of the blind.

God's reign endures forever! Praise the Lord!

PRAYER OF APPROACH

Alpha and Omega, creator of the world,
 beside you there is nothing greater.
 You breathed breath into all that you created
 and you are among us still breathing new life,
 turning anger into reconciliation,
 hatred into love,
 grief into consolation,
 old ways into fresh beginnings,
 and opening up that which appears closed and final.
 And so we give you our lives, and our praise, and our adoration:
 Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. Amen.

***VOICES UNITED 606** In Christ There is no East or West

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (adapted from Ministry Matters)

Gracious God,
 we come before you today
 knowing that we often fall short of your call
 to love one another well.
 Help us to see your generosity,
 hear your word of mercy,
 and feel your great love
 for all who need your redeeming grace.
 Strengthen us to reach out in service
 to those who are in need.
 May we learn how to serve you
 in the name of the great Servant, Jesus the Christ.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

There is no end to God's grace, all that is confessed is forgiven.
 As we receive God's grace into our comfort, we begin new lives.
 Thanks be to God, this day and forever more.
 Amen.

SHARING TIME "Who am I?"

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.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

***VOICES UNITED 593** Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love

BIBLE READING James 2:1-10, 14-17 (NT page 229, 230 in pew bible)

DOXOLOGY 217 VU All Creatures of Our God and King (verse 5 only)

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship God in humbleness:
 sing praises, hallelujah!
 Praise God eternal, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in one:
 sing praises, sing praises, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

MEDITATION "Hello my name is and yours?"

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM Praise to the Lord

Hopson

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)

God of great wonders, we join with you in the joy of giving. You give us life and breath, you fill the world with beauty, our hands with bounty, and our hearts with the desire to give. Accept these gifts, and ourselves in your service. Amen.

***VOICES UNITED 575** I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

***BENEDICTION**

***SONG OF COMMITMENT 145 MV (verse 2)** Draw the Circle Wide

Draw the circle wide. Draw it wider still. Let this be our song,
no one stands alone, standing side by side, draw the circle wide.
Let our hearts touch far horizons, so encompass great and small;
let our loving know no borders, faithful to God's call.
Draw the circle wide. Draw it wider still. Let this be our song,
no one stands alone, standing side by side, draw the circle wide.

POSTLUDE The Emperor's Fanfare

Soler, arr. E.P. Biggs