

Kincardine United Church Mission Sunday

September 20, 2020 10:30 a.m.

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

Voluntary for Archdeacon Thornbrough

Thomas Tomkins

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 Metis, as well as 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

May the peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

GOD GATHERS US

MUSICAL INTROIT Voluntary for Edward

Thomas Tomkins

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Friends, we gather as those who are challenged to be the church in today's world.

As a grateful people, we are called to celebrate God's presence,

to live with respect in creation,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil.

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope.

We offer our worship to God, trusting that we will become the church God dreams we can be.

VOICES UNITED #289 It Only Takes A Spark

OPENING PRAYER

God, we thank you for your harvest which feeds us so many times each day.

We are nourished with your forgiveness and hope.

We are sustained with your strength and patience.

We are filled with your grace and compassion God.

We thank you for feeding us with a harvest of plenty.

We are restored through your generosity and healing.

We are replenished with your abundance and joy.

We are reminded of your selfless abandon God.

We thank you for feeding us with the bread of heaven.

Your gift of Christ sustains our lives.

His presence restores the promise of your love.

His life fills our hearts with your everlasting light God.

We thank you too for filling us with the water of life.

May we drink deeply that our thirst may be quenched.

May your river continue to flow over us, in us, through us and out into the world you love.

Written by Christine Sine, and posted on her website Godspace

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God's promise is that God is with us – every day. We are never alone. Even when we turn a blind eye on others and on God. Nothing we do or don't do can separate us from God's love. God loves us always. Thanks be to God.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and Loving God

There are days when we ignore the lost among us

Forgive us

There are days when we ignore those suffering among us

Forgive us

There are days when we ignore the homeless among us

Forgive us

There are days when we ignore the hungry among us

Forgive us

There are days we ignore the gifts you have given us

Forgive us

There are days when we ignore you

Forgive us

(SILENT PRAYER) AMEN

VOICES UNITED # 227 For the Fruit of all Creation

THE LORD'S PRAYER (say together)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come, they 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 22:34-40 page 25 in the New Testament

BIBLE READING John 6:1–14 page 97 in the New Testament

DOXOLOGY - VU #217 VERSE 5 All Creatures of Our God and King

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, hallelujah!

MEDITATION Tom Franklin - Chalmers Community Garden

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM The Lord God Made Them All

Words by Cecil Alexander
Music by Joseph Martin

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)

Please join me in prayer.

God of Justice and mercy, the gifts we bring are so small in comparison to the vast needs in our world. Nowhere near enough to save the Thousands who are dying of Starvation or malnutrition, or even to meet the needs of the Hungry and homeless in our town. Yet we come with open hands, Bringing what we can. As you once multiplied The five loaves and two fish, multiply these gifts as well, so that, once again, the hungry may receive all they need.

MORE VOICES #179 Sisters Let Us Walk Together

BENEDICTION

SONG OF COMMITMENT VU #431 "Sing Amen"

Sing Amen.
Amen, we praise your name, O God.
Sing Amen
Amen, we praise your name, O God.
Sing Amen.
Amen, Amen, amen, amen, amen
We praise your name, O God.

POSTLUDE Prelude in a minor BWV 559

J.S. Bach