Kincardine United Church 10th Sunday after Pentecost August 14, 2022 10:30 a.m.

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PRELUDE

Jesus, Our Redeemer

D. Buxtehude

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

We acknowledge the Traditional Territory of the Anishinabek Nation:

The People of the Three Fires

known as Ojibway, Odawa and Pottawatomie Nations.

We further give thanks to the Chippewas of Saugeen, and the Chippewas of Nawash – now known as the Saugeen Ojibway Nation – as the traditional keepers of this land.

Our thanks compel us to live fully into our journey of reconciliation – a seven-generation process of intentional listening and learning.

We seek to live together in respect, friendship and peace.

We, thus, commit ourselves to follow Jesus' calling us into the world, loving one another as we are loved by God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

GOD GATHERS US

MUSICAL INTROIT Prelude

William Harris

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

PRAYER OF APPROACH

Let us give God our thanks and our praise as we pray aloud together:

We have come to worship, Creator God, awed by your creation's glory.

We give you thanks for all that you have provided us:

life itself and the weaving of each art of life into an intricate whole;

the seasons transforming and surprising with vibrant diversity;

our weakness becoming purposeful strength when we work as one;

times of boredom and times of frenetic activity balanced within your heart;

death itself as the inevitable portal into new life and new joy;

our very breath as sign and promise of your abundant love.

We come to worship, Living God, as one body united in you. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 421 Lead On, O Cloud of Presence

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Silent prayer)

SHARING TIME Old Turtle and the Broken Truth by Douglas Wood, illustrated by Jon Muth

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,

Source of all that is and what shall be.

Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:

the hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,

now and for ever. Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

BIBLE READING Luke 12:49-59 from the New Testament.

⁴⁹ "I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵² From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³ they will be divided: father against son

and son against father,

mother against daughter

and daughter against mother,

mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law

and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

⁵⁴ He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain,' and so it happens. ⁵⁵ And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be

scorching heat,' and it happens. ⁵⁶ You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

⁵⁷ "And why do you not judge for yourselves what is right? ⁵⁸ Thus when you go with your accuser before a magistrate, on the way make an effort to reach a settlement, or you may be dragged before the judge, and the judge hand you over to the officer, and the officer throw you in prison. ⁵⁹ I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the very last penny."

*VOICES UNITED 562 Jesus Calls Us

BIBLE READING Colossians 2:6-10 from the New Testament.

⁶ As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to walk in him, ⁷ rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving. ⁸ Watch out that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental principles of the world, and not according to Christ. ⁹ For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰ and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority.

DOXOLOGY Gloria Patri

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.

PRAYER

MEDITATION On Whose Authority?

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

ANTHEM Miniature Suite for Organ - Trio Healey Willan

MINUTE FOR MISSION

OFFERING INVITATION

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

May what we offer to you, O God, be blessed for self-giving:

for healing divides through the bonds of loving;

for bridging misunderstandings through the patience of listening:

for joyful transformation from tribes into healthy communities.

We ask it all in Jesus' name. Amen.

***VOICES UNITED 633** Bless Now, O God, the Journey

BENEDICTION

SONG OF COMMITMENT Spirit God, Be Our Breath

#150 More Voices (verse 4 only)

Spirit God: be our breath, be our song.

Blow through us, bringing strength to move on. Through change, through challenge, we'll greet the new dawn... Spirit God, be our song.

POSTLUDE Toccata in Seven John Rutter