

Kincardine United Church 6th Sunday after Pentecost July 12, 2020 10:30 a.m.

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

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PRELUDE St. Peter Healey Willan

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

For thousands of years, First Nations people have walked on this land. Their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and of their spirituality. We begin our worship this morning by acknowledging the unceded territory of the Saugeen Oiibwe.

We are all Treaty people, parties to Crown Treaty 45 ½ in 1836.

Keep us mindful of the covenants that have been made – and broken – with First Nations peoples.

May we grow into living with respect on this land, walking into reconciliation through peace and friendship, while honouring all who live, work and worship on it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

GOD GATHERS US

INTROIT Dundee Healey Willan

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

(based on Psalm 119:105-112)

Come into this digital space illuminated by Christ's Light, the light by which we perceive the Way of Jesus.

We come to rededicate our living in faith, strengthened by the Spirit, growing into right relation and blessed by God's grace.

Come as those who know distress and alienation in life, yet who trust.

We come to find our lives in God's embrace.

guided by scripture, enthused by testimony and sent out with good news.

We come to find the peace which passes all understanding as we pray:

We trust our lives to you, O God,

remembering that you transform us for mission, that you enliven us through challenging possibility, that you bless us by your grace.

Keep us travelling along the path that builds flourishing relationships, that joyfully celebrates each life lived for justice, that fulfills our purpose through walking humbly with you. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 516 Come, You Thankful People, Come

ASSURANCE OF GRACE (based on Romans 8:1-11)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (silent prayer)

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

MASH UP More Voices 18 And Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 (Bible pages 13-14)

¹That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. ² Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach.

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy tried and true; with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

³ And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. ⁴ And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. ⁵ Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. ⁶ But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. ⁷ Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. ⁸ Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. ⁹ Let anyone with ears listen!"

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy tried and true; with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

¹⁸ "Hear then the parable of the sower. ¹⁹ When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path.

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy tried and true; with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

²⁰ As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; ²¹ yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away.

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy tried and true; with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

²² As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing.

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy tried and true; with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

²³ But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

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.

MEDITATION Seeding Peace

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

ANTHEM Come Build a Church

Ken Medema

OFFERING INVITATION AND OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)

While our worship space is empty, O God, what we offer is full of you.

We offer our selves in time and talent.

We offer our currencies of truth, of relationship, of money,

of gracious leadership, of wellness and of space.

Bless us and the currencies we offer for your purpose in the world,

fruitful soil out of which the harvest of peace and of justice is plentiful.

Amen.

* VOICES UNITED 481 Sent Forth by God's Blessing

*BENEDICTION

*SONG OF COMMITMENT "Ameni" (sung twice) from #219 More Voices Ameni, amen, amen, amen, ameni.

Ameni, ameni, amen, amen, ameni.

POSTLUDE

Fughetta in g minor

J.E. Rembt