

**Kincardine United Church**  
**3rd Sunday after Pentecost & Anniversary Sunday**  
**June 13th, 2021 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**      Three Liturgical Preludes – No. 1

*George Oldroyd*

**WELCOME**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND**

For thousands of years, First Nations peoples have walked this land,  
weaving their identity and their spirituality intimately with the land.

**European colonisation came about in large part**

**because of the Doctrine of Discovery,**

**a flawed understanding that ignores Indigenous presence on the land.**

Affirming the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

and, therefore, repudiating the wrong of such a doctrine,

we begin our worship this morning by acknowledging

the unceded territory of the Saugeen Ojibwe.

**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**

**MUSICAL INTROIT**      Three Liturgical Preludes – No. 2

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**LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH**

Come into this digital space on our 170<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Yahoo!

Although things have changed significantly over 170 years,

the living roots of our faith in this community continue to thrive,

anchoring us deeply within God's heart.

**We come in the spirit of celebration but missing one another in person.**

**We come in hope while struggling to adjust to each change.**

Just as a tree follows the light throughout each storm,

just as the leaves of a tree cycle through each season to sustain life,

**so, we, as a vibrant community of faith, bend, adjust and transform –**

**discovering new life and renewed meaning amidst each new challenge –**

**creating a legacy of hope for future generations.**

Come, then, as we enter God's sustaining embrace in prayer:

**Hold us, nurturing God, as we long for a future less isolated.**

**Plant your mustard seeds of faith within our hearts so that our church**

**may provide a home where ALL people experience your touch.**

**Cultivate within us the patience to tend the soil of our witness,**

**working in anticipation of your joy-filled harvest.**

**Continue to fashion our family of faith in the image of love self-giving,**

**we ask it in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**\*VOICES UNITED 356    Seek Ye First the Kingdom**

### **ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

**DOXOLOGY** Love Is the Touch #89 *More Voices* (verse 4 only)

**Love is the Maker and Spirit and Son;**

**love is the kingdom their will has begun;**

**love is the path which the saints all have trod;**

**God is where love is, for love is of God.**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*Silent prayer*)

**SHARING TIME**        "Hot Air or Ballooning Benefits?"

### **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** Mark 4:30-34 from the New Testament page 38.

<sup>30</sup> He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? <sup>31</sup> It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; <sup>32</sup> yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.” <sup>33</sup> With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; <sup>34</sup> he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

**REFLECTION**

A Mighty Tree

**TESTIMONY** Gregg McClelland

**\*VOICES UNITED 361 (verse 1 only)** Small Things Count

**BIBLE READING** Mark 4:26-29 from the New Testament page 38.

<sup>26</sup> He also said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, <sup>27</sup> and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. <sup>28</sup> The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. <sup>29</sup> But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

**REFLECTION** Growing a Legacy

**TESTIMONY** Loreen Dunbar

**\*VOICES UNITED 361 (verse 2 only)** Small Things Count

**BIBLE READING** 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 5:6-10 from the New Testament page 181.

<sup>6</sup> So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— <sup>7</sup> for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup> Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup> So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. <sup>10</sup> For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

**REFLECTION** Home Is Where the Heart Is

**TESTIMONY** Don Hazelwood

**\*VOICES UNITED 361 (verse 3 only)** Small Things Count

**GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND**

**ANTHEM** Great, Great Morning Words: Paul J. Williams, Music: Joseph Martin  
*My Lord, what a mornin'. My Lord, what a mornin' when the stars begin to fall.  
 It will be a great, great mornin',  
 it will come without a warnin' when we hear that trumpet sound.  
 Though we may not know the hour,*

*we know Christ will come in power and his trumpet blast will shake the ground.  
 All saints will rise and be taken to the skies.  
 They will meet king Jesus in the air.  
 Though we may not know the hour,  
 we know Christ will come in power and his trumpet blast will shake the ground.  
 In-a that great getting' up mornin', fare thee well, fare thee well.  
 In-a that great getting' up mornin', fare thee well, fare thee well.  
 In-a that great getting' up mornin', fare thee well, fare thee well.  
 In-a that great getting' up mornin', fare thee well, fare thee well.  
 It's gonna be a getting' up mornin', it's gonna be a getting' up mornin'.  
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 It will be a great, great mornin',  
 it will come without a warnin' when we hear (my Lord) that trumpet sound.  
 Though we may not know the hour,  
 we know Christ will come in power and his trumpet blast will shake the ground.  
 It's gonna be a great, day! It will be a great, great mornin',  
 it will come without a warnin' when we hear that trumpet sound.  
 Though we may not know the hour,  
 we know Christ will come in power and his trumpet blast will shake the ground.  
 In the twinkling of an eye, we will mount up to the sky.  
 Allelulia, we shall all be changed. It will be a great, great mornin',  
 it will come without a warnin'.  
 O I will fly, I'll fly away, I'll fly away, I'll fly away, I'll fly away!*

## **MINUTE FOR MISSION**

## **OFFERING INVITATION**

### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)**

**God who loves us into wholeness, who nurtures our becoming,  
 may our joy-filled gifts of time and space, of wellness,  
 of gracious leadership, of truth, of money and of relationship  
 become our collective legacy for your mission –  
 in this community and in the world.**

**Bless what we offer, encouraging us to live our faith for others. Amen.**

**\*VOICES UNITED 642 Be Thou My Vision**

## **BENEDICTION**

### **SONG OF COMMITMENT 150 MV (verse 4 only) Spirit God, Be Our Breath**

**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 Three Liturgical Preludes – No. 3**

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