Kincardine United Church Day of Pentecost May 19, 2024 11:00 a.m.

Bold print in the bulletin invites you to say the words.

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PRELUDE Prelude (Op. 156, No. 10)

G. Merkel

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

Kincardine United Church takes seriously the commitments made to First Nations communities through the national Truth and Reconciliation Commission Report, especially through the Calls to Action to churches like us. Therefore, we acknowledge, this day, that we gather for worship on the traditional territories of the Saugeen Ojibway, and 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

GOD GATHERS US

MUSICAL INTROIT	Interlude	J.C. Kittel
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LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP:

- Leader: The people walking in darkness have seen a great light.
- People: on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.
- Leader: The Light that is the Word of God, God incarnate.
- People: We see again the light God promises in the midst of our darkness.
- Leader: May our worship recall us to what is centred in life; to the One who gives us breath and purpose in life
- People: We come to embrace God's touching us as we strive to be renewed in faith, hope, and love.
- All: Let us worship here today touched by the one true Light of the world.

OPENING PRAYER:

- Leader: God of hope, who brought love into this world
- People: be the love that dwells between us.
- Leader: God of hope, who brought peace into this world,
- People: be the peace that dwells between us.
- Leader: God of hope, who brought joy into this world,
- People: be the joy that dwells between us.
- Leader: God of hope, the rock we stand upon,
- People: be the centre, the focus of our lives
- Leader: In this Pentecost Sunday, draw us together in unity,
- People: that our praise and worship might echo in these walls
- All: Praise God on this Sunday of light and celebration.

***HYMN VU #194** Filled with the Spirit's Power

WORDS OF HOPE AND HEALING

To all who turn from sin in sorrow, to all who turn to God in hope, this is God's word of grace: our trust in our loving God is filled with hope. This is God's word of grace; we are accepted, we are forgiven, we are loved. This gift we have from God. Thanks be to God.

SHARING TIME Mr. Pierce and his Stories

ANTHEM Give Thanks Henry Smith Arr. John F Wilson

GOD SPEAKS TO US

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 104:24-35 Refrain #2

*HYMN VU# 198 Come, O Spirit, Dwell among Us

BIBLE READING Acts 2:1-21 from the New Testatment

2 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵ Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶ And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷ Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹² All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews^[a] and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵ Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,

and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

and your young men shall see visions,

and your old men shall dream dreams.

- ¹⁸ Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.
- ¹⁹ And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below,

blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

- ²⁰ The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood.
 - before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹ Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

DOXOLOGY Now Thank We All Our God VU #236 Verse 3 only All praise and thanks to God for all that has been given, the Son, and Spirit blest who dwell in highest heaven, the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

MEDITATION "A Classroom and a Canvas"

*HYMN VU #195 On Pentecost They Have Gathered

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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, and the power and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

GOD INVITES US TO REPOND

OFFERING INVITATION

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

In the name and in the spirit of Jesus, we bring our gifts to you, O God. Help us to give with them a ready mind, a willing spirit, and a joyful heart trusting in your love for all of us as your faithful servants. Amen.

*HYMN VU #207 Spirit of God, Unleashed on Earth

BENEDICTION

SONG OF COMMITMENT "I Have Called You By Your Name" MV #161 verse 4 I have given you a name, it is mine; I have given you my Spirit as a sign. With my wonder in your soul, make my wounded children whole; go and tell my precious people they are mine.

POSTLUDE Fughetta in c minor J. Krieger