

Kincardine United Church

6th Sunday of Easter

May 25, 2025 11:00 a.m.

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

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PRELUDE Meditation on Take My Life and Let It Be *David Hamilton*

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,

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 (read by Cat Laliberte)

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

GOD GATHERS US

INTROIT Crimond *arr. David Hamilton*

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: From God comes the wonder of creation.

P: We will worship God the Creator.

L: From God comes healing for the brokenness we see.

P: We will worship God our Redeemer.

L: From God comes the strength to face the new day.

P: We worship God our Sustainer.

PRAYER OF APPROACH

VOICES UNITED #226 For the Beauty of the Earth

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(Silent Prayer)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

SHARING TIME

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Mystery Lord's Prayer)

**God within us, God beyond us, God among us,
may the Mystery always be named and known
among all peoples and in all times.**

May Creation give way to the rule of love and the power of life.

Satisfy our hunger, granting us a hunger to see the whole world fed.

Restore us to right relationship

with you, with Creation, with others, with ourselves.

Strengthen us to reject all that would lead us away from you.

Come to us when we choose death over life.

Give us courage to follow your call in this moment.

For in your love we find the only power,

**the only home, the only honour we will ever need,
in this life and the life to come. Amen.**

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

RESPONSIVE PSALM 67 *Voices United 786 (regular text read by Cat Laliberte)*

Be gracious unto us, O God, and bless us;
and let the light of your face shine upon us,
**that your ways may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.**

Let the nations be glad, and sing for joy,
**for you judge the peoples righteously
and guide the nations of the earth.**

The earth has yielded its harvest,
and you, our God, have blessed us.

Your blessing, O God, be upon us.

May all the ends of the earth revere you.

VOICES UNITED #713 I See A New Heaven

BIBLE READING John 14:23-29 NIV *(read by Cat Laliberte)*

²³ Jesus replied, “Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.

²⁴ Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me.

²⁵ “All this I have spoken while still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

²⁸ “You heard me say, ‘I am going away and I am coming back to you.’ If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe.

DOXOLOGY 236 VU Now Thank We All Our God *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.

REFLECTION

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

ANTHEM Anxious for Nothing Joe E. Parks

MISSION AND SERVICE STORY The Mohawk Bible Tradition

Janice McKean

OFFERING INVITATION AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

MORE VOICES #183 I'm Gonna Shout, Shout

BENEDICTION

SONG OF COMMITMENT

MV #161 I Have Called You By Your Name (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 Trumpet Tune Paul Fey

WORSHIP ✝ Susan Barnett

MUSIC 🎵 David Hamilton, KUC Choir

GREETERS ♦ Ralph & Mary-Ann Knowles

READER 📖 Cat Laliberte

SLIDE PRESENTATION ♦ Sarah MacKenzie

AV MINISTRY TEAM 📺 Judy, Jim, John, Mary

CUSTODIAN ♦ Galyna Katkevych

DONATION STEWARD 💰 John Phillips

TREASURER 🏠 Liz Dillman

