Kincardine United Church 6th Sunday of Easter Mother's Day May 14, 2023 9:30 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** Liebster Jesu BWV 634 J.S. Bach

**WELCOME** Karon Falk Licensed Lay Worship Leader

#### 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 Liebster Jesu Marcel Dupré

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

\*VOICES UNITED 217 All Creatures of Our God and King

SHARING TIME "Thoughts of Moms"

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

# **GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD**

**BIBLE READING** 

Psalm 66: 8-12, 13-20 (Part 2 and 3): VU 784-5 Refrain 1

\*VOICES UNITED 664 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

BIBLE READING 1 Peter 3:13-22 in the New Testament

**DOXOLOGY** #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 with the saints all have trod; God is where Love is, for Love is of God.

# PRAYER BEFORE REFLECTION

Precious God, in this growing season of your earth's creation may we take a closer look at our own growing.

We need to grow, too.

We yearn to grow our emotional, spiritual and intellectual horizons to recognize your greater power. Your Love for all. Amen.

**REFLECTION** "Grow Closer"

# **GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND**

# **COMMUNITY PRAYERS**

**ANTHEM** I Want Jesus to Walk With Me American Spiritual

MINUTE FOR MISSION Krista Ritchie

# **OFFERING INVITATION**

# PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, we ask for your blessings on our givings. They are a share of our time, our talents, and our earnings. Many of our donations are direct deposits and transfers. It seems so far away from our time here together. We struggle to connect transfers with you, God. We treasure your steadfast love. It inspires us. Help us to unite our regular giving with your will for us. This we ask in the name of your son, Jesus. Amen. \*MORE VOICES 145 Draw The Circle Wide

**BENEDICTION** 

SONG OF COMMITMENT Lead Me, God # 662 Voices United Lead me, God, lead me in your righteousness; make your way plain before my face. For it is you, and you, God only, who makes me to dwell in safety.

**POSTLUDE** Prelude in F Major BWV 556 J.S. Bach