

Family
is not an
IMPORTANT
thing, it is
Everything



Kincardine United Church
Pentecost 11
August 20, 2017 10:30 a.m.

Welcome. You bless us with your presence. If you are a first time worshipper, please sign our guest register at the front entrance of the church. Thank you for turning off your cell phones and for refraining from flash photography. Please join us for coffee and fellowship in the downstairs hall following the service. **Bold print invites you to say the words.** *invites you to stand as you are able.

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PRELUDE Shall We Gather at the River - HANSON PLACE *Arr. Joel Raney*
Just As I Am – WORTHWORTH *Arr. Joel Raney*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOD GATHERS US

MUSICAL INTROIT Interlude

Henry Smart

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

Marion Boyd

Whether we come from afar or from right in town,
there is room for us all.

**We come as people yearning
for connection and for deepening relationship.**

Whether we come from a place of relative certainty
or from a place filled with doubt,

**we come as a family of faith –
with all of our baggage and with all of our gifts.**

Whether we come for a comfortable pew
or for a prophetic challenge,

**we come to immerse ourselves in God’s love
shared one with each other.**

Come as a family of faith to engage the Spirit through prayer:

Bind us, O Spirit, as the faith-filled glue which makes us family.

**Enliven our living through your gentle whispers of guidance,
through your surprising pushes into justice,
through your luminous web of trust and of grace. Amen.**

***VOICES UNITED #236** Now Thank We All Our God

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Marion Boyd

Our baptisms marked our incorporation into Christ’s body, the Church,

**yet we too often become mired in conflict,
ignoring God’s call to love.**

Our baptisms signaled our birth into new ways of living,
yet we too often return to old patterns which separate and alienate.
 Our baptisms symbolize being washed clean of brokenness,
yet while trying to remove the sliver from our neighbour's eye,
we ignore the log in our own eye.

Forgive us, O God, we pray.

(Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Lori Keip

(Romans 8:14-17 from The Message)

“This resurrection life you received from God is not a timid, grave-tending life.
 It’s adventurously expectant, greeting God with a child-like ‘What’s next, Papa?’
God’s Spirit touches our spirits and confirms who we really are.
We know who he is, and we know who we are” – family.

“And we know we are going to get what’s coming to us –
 and unbelievable inheritance!

We go through exactly what Christ goes through.

If we go through the hard times with him,
then we are certainly going to go through the good times – with him!”

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

SHARING TIME (we sing together)

Father, I adore you, and I lay my life before you. How I love You.

Jesus, I adore you, and I lay my life before you. How I love You.

Spirit, I adore you, and I lay my life before you. How I love You.

GOD REVEALS IN SACRAMENT

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Rick Keip

(Romans 6:3-6 from The Message)

Sisters and brothers, let us remember the gift of God’s grace poured out in
 baptism.

“...when we went under the water, we left the old country of sin behind;
**when we came up out of the water, we entered into the new country of
 grace –**

a new life in a new land!

That’s what baptism into the life of Jesus means.

**When we are lowered into the water, it is like the burial of Jesus;
 when we are raised up out of the water, it is like the resurrection of
 Jesus.**

Each of us is raised into a light-filled world by God

so that we can see where we’re going in our new grace-sovereign country.”

PRESENTATION

Marion Boyd

On behalf of the congregation of Kincardine United Church,

I present Alden Grey Masters Keip, son of Bailey and Christopher Keip,
 for initiation into the body of Christ through baptism.

PROFESSION OF FAITH *(to Bailey Keip and Chris Keip)*

Desiring the freedom of new life in Christ, do you promise to resist evil,
 turning away from sin and toward God, to live in love and justice?

I DO, BY THE GRACE OF GOD.

Do you believe in God, Source of Love, in Jesus Christ, Love Incarnate
 and in the Holy Spirit, Love’s Power?

I DO, BY THE GRACE OF GOD.

Will you join with your sisters and brothers

in the mission and the ministry of Christ’s Church?

I WILL, GOD BEING MY HELPER.

GODPARENTS’ COMMITMENT *(to Tyler Keip and Erin Kinsman)*

Will you pray for this child and take care that he may learn and live the faith?

I WILL, GOD BEING MY HELPER.

***CONGREGATIONAL COMMITMENT**

Marion Boyd

Let us pledge to Alden our support and our care.

**As a baptised and baptising church, Christ's body,
we commit ourselves to support and uphold you within the faith
community
as we live out our baptisms in the light of God's grace.**

VOICES UNITED 918 A New Creed

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE POURING OF THE WATER**

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is good to give God thanks and praise.

*(Please be seated as the water is poured into the font
by Louise Luscombe and Rita Keip.)*

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for your blessing in the gift of life
and, within it, the gift of water.

**Now, loving God, may your Holy Spirit embrace what we do,
blessing this water that it may be a sign of new life in Christ. Amen.**

THE BAPTISM

Alden Grey Masters Keip, I baptise you in the name
of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

I mark you with the sign of the cross, claiming you as Christ's forever.

LAYING ON OF HANDS

May the power of the Holy Spirit work within you,
that being born of water and of the Spirit,
you may be a faithful witness to Jesus Christ.

PASSING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST *(Chris and Bailey Keip)*

Christ, as the light of the world, shares that light with us.

May this candle remind you of the light you share,
proclaiming God's love to the world.

INTRODUCING ALDEN TO THE CONGREGATION**WELCOME***Marion Boyd*

Into union with Christ, into the household of faith,
we welcome you with joy and with thanksgiving.

We are members of the body of Christ

We are inheritors of God's promise.

In the name of Christ, we welcome you!

GLORIA

**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.**

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

BIBLE READING Genesis 45:1-15 In the Old Testament page 42

***VOICES UNITED #271** There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

MEDITATION Now THIS is a Family!

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM Hallelujah *Morin Family accompanied by Lisa Klein Haar*

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION AND OFFERTORY

Children's Song Medley

*Arr. Mark Hayes***OFFERTORY HYMN**

What can I do? What can I bring? What can I say? What can I sing?
 I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer. I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

OFFERING PRAYER

We offer these gifts, O God, to make dreams come true –
 dreams of justice, of hope, of family united in love. **Amen**

***VOICES UNITED #145** Draw the Circle Wide

BENEDICTION AND THREEFOLD AMEN

POSTLUDE Down to the River to Pray

Arr. Mark Hayes

AV MINISTRY TEAM 📺 Thank you

COUNTERS 💰 Ralph and Mary Ann Knowles

AUGUST HOUSE LEADER 🏠 Sheila Bauer

MUSIC 🎵 Elizabeth Coates

NURSERY ATTENDANT ♦ Thank you

SCRIPTURE READER 📖 Alex Peroff

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ✍️ Jackie Clements

WORSHIP 🕯️ Rev. Gord Dunbar



