



**Kincardine United Church
Advent 3 Dedication Service
December 17, 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 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 Carol Sing

WELCOME, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

GOD GATHERS US

MUSICAL INTROIT Prelude

G. Merkel

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

In this season of expectant waiting, we rejoice,
dancing the choreography of grace.

In the dance we find partners:

the old and the newborn, the wounded and the whole, the tattooed and the clear,
the dreadlocked and the bald, the gendered and the queer.

Divine choreography weaves us into complex patterns of connection.

Rooted in joy, seeing each person as worthy,
embracing each soul as God's beloved,

joy flames into grace-filled celebration of diversity.

(The third Advent Candle is lit)

SUNG RESPONSE "All the Wonder that Surrounds Us"

Words by Iona Community (used with permission) (tune #227 *Voices United*)

Every creature, every human lives by God's grace:

every family, man and woman, culture and race;

those whom fortune seems to favour, those exploited for their labour,

those who need to know a neighbour live by God's grace.

***VOICES UNITED** 20 On Jordan's Bank

SHARING TIME Freed to Dance in Joy

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 Luke 1:46-55 in the New Testament on page 57

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.

BIBLE READING John 1:6-8, 19-28 from the paraphrase *The Message* and
Joy to the World Mash-up (**VOICES UNITED #59**)

MEDITATION "Pointing the Way"

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM A Tiny Child Will Come

Price/Besig

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

ADVENT DEDICATION *(See insert)*

OFFERING INVITATION AND OFFERTORY Prelude

A. de Cabezon

***OFFERTORY HYMN 541 VU** Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures high and low;
give thanks to God in love made known: Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

***OFFERING PRAYER** (in unison)

You call us into the world from this place, O God,
nourishing us so we may flower as gifts for others.
Bless what we offer this morning as beautiful and transforming –
the flourishing of good news to all people through our giving. Amen.

***VOICES UNITED 48** Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

***BENEDICTION**

***SONG OF COMMITMENT 37 VU** Gloria
Gloria, Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, Gloria, alleluia, alleluia.



AV MINISTRY TEAM 📺 Thank you

COUNTERS 🗨️ Liz and Barry Schmidt

DECEMBER HOUSE LEADER 🏠 Sheila Bauer

MUSIC 🎵 David Hamilton, KUC Choir

NUSERY ATTENDANT ♦️ Krista Ritchie

& SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ♦️ Krista Ritchie

SCRIPTURE READER 📖 The Wolfe Family

WORSHIP 🕯️ Gord Dunbar