

you light up
My life

Kincardine United Church
Epiphany Sunday
January 7, 2018 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 Trio

Armsdorff

**WELCOME, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND AND
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

GOD GATHERS US

MUSICAL INTROIT

Pastorella

F. W. Marpurg

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

In our journey of living, as we search for the Light of the world, we come.

**We have journeyed – often wondering what each new day will reveal –
often wondering if the journey is worth the effort.**

We come in our seeking, in our yearning for revelation,
in our desire to find the truth which sets us free.

**As we journey, we find companions along the Way,
neighbours with different perspectives who enrich our knowing.**

We treasure one another, yet we seek – we need – another through prayer:

**God who spoke light into reality, who shares the revealed light of Jesus,
whose Spirit infuses the light with challenge and with mystery,**

open our eyes to the brilliance of your vision,

open our minds to the wholeness of your calling,

open our souls to the relations within your invitation,

open us to who and how we may become in our journeying. Amen.

***VOICES UNITED 87**

I Am the Light of the World

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

We confess, living Christ, to our brokenness despite our best intentions.

We confess that we see our brokenness as failure, as shame.

Yet you encourage us to recognise new life emerging from the cracks.

You invite us to nurture the delicate tendrils reaching toward your Light.

**You shower us with opportunity to become *because* of our brokenness.
We open ourselves to drink in your blossoming wholeness.**

(Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

SHARING TIME Presents? Still? All Right!

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

VOICES UNITED 790 Psalm 72:1-8 (part one only)

***VOICES UNITED 81** As with Gladness Men of Old

BIBLE READING Matthew 2 :1-12 in the New Testament on page 2

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.**

MEDITATION “You Light Up My Life”

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM A Covenant Prayer

Potz

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION AND OFFERTORY Trumpet Tune *Purcell*

***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)**

We offer our seeking and our yearning, our wondering and our searching,
as the motivations for claiming our discipleship in Jesus' name.
As disciples of the Light of the World, embracing the revelation of love,
we ask your blessing on these offerings as sign and seal. Amen.

***VOICES UNITED 96** Will You Come and See the Light

***BENEDICTION**

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

POSTLUDE The Prince of Denmark's March *J. Clark*



AV MINISTRY TEAM 📺 Thank you

COUNTERS 🗑️ Stu and Donna Mowry

JANUARY HOUSE LEADER 🏠 Jodie Ostrowski

MUSIC 🎵 David Hamilton

NUSERY ATTENDANT ♦ Thank you

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ♦ Jackie Clements

SCRIPTURE READER 📖 Joyce Neyvatte

WORSHIP 🕊️ Gord Dunbar