



Kincardine United Church
First Nations Sunday & Canada Day
July 1, 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

Voluntary I

T. Tomkins

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, and more recently the Saugeen Metis,
 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

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

GOD GATHERS US

***VOICES UNITED 524** (*verse one*)

O Canada! Our home and native land!

True patriot love in all of us command.

With glowing hearts we see thee rise, the True North strong and free!

From far and wide, O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

God keep our land glorious and free!

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

On this 151st Canada Day, God invites us into the complexities of relationship.

We come to grow as a family of faith, cherishing the ways of Love.

Come to sing, to pray, to listen, to dance and to deepen the journey of faith.

We come in trust, though we are never sure to where God will lead us.

Come together in prayer:

Loving God, we long to follow in Jesus' footsteps,

walking the path of self-giving and of ever growing wisdom.

Lead us by the power of your Spirit, that together,

each supporting one another, we may follow. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN** They Came to Us with Foreign Tongue (*tune #149 VU*)

...words by Brian Wren

1. **The gospel came with foreign tongue disrupting all the ancient ways, beside the merchant and the gun, in search of profit, souls and slaves.**

2. **With God we weep, lament, confess, how holy zeal and bloodied hand reached out to kill and dispossess, proclaiming love and taking land.**
3. **How hard today, to meet and share
our needs, suspicions, hopes and fears,
when some have ease, and food to spare,
while others walk a trail of tears!**
4. **In hope we come, by grace reborn, as clashing stories will collide,
to listen, pray and travel on, companions of the Crucified.**
5. **We tell our varied memories, assembled in our global room,
that Christ may wash our histories, as threads for Love's eternal loom.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison) *(Based on Psalm 130)*

**We dare, yes, we dare to open our inner selves to you, risen Christ.
We dare because we know our flaws,
but we also know our wonderfully gifted strengths.
As we open to you, we wait prayerfully with trust and in hope.
You are Love, O God, and within your love we seek your healing.
*(Silent Prayer)***

ASSURANCE OF GRACE *(verse two of O Canada by Albert D. Watson)*

**Almighty Love, by thy mysterious power,
in wisdom guide, with faith and freedom dower;
be ours a nation evermore that no oppression blights,
where justice rules from shore to shore, from lake to northern lights.
May love alone, for wrong atone;
Lord of the lands, make Canada thine own:
Lord of the lands, make Canada thine own!**

SHARING TIME "When We Were Alone"

THE LORD'S PRAYER (we sing)

**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 Mark 5:21-34 in the New Testament on page 39

***VOICES UNITED 289** It Only Takes a Spark

BIBLE READING Mark 5:35-43 in the New Testament on page 40

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 "Wreck Conciliation"

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERING PRAYER

We ask you to bless our monetary gifts, O God.
With them come our hours of work, our years of service
and the love of our hearts one for each other.
Bless us in our giving that we may embrace your reconciliation,
offering our hearts for the mending of all our relations. Amen.

***PARTING HYMN** For Everyone Born

1. For everyone born, a place at the table,
for everyone born, clean water and bread,
a shelter, a space, a safe place for growing,
for everyone born, a star overhead,
Refrain
And God will delight when we are creators
of justice and joy, compassion and peace:
yes, God will delight when we are creators
of justice, justice and joy.
2. For gendered and fluid, for trans and for cis,
a space that's Affirming while fully aware
that wisdom and grace will lead us and guide us –
a system, a table, a process that's fair,
Refrain
3. For young and for old, a place at the table,
a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
the hands of the child in hands that are wrinkled,
for young and for old, the right to belong,

Refrain

4. For just and unjust, a place at the table,
 abuser, abused, with need to forgive,
 in anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy,
 for just and unjust, a new way to live.

Refrain

5. For everyone born, a place at the table,
 to live without fear, and simply to be,
 to work, to speak out, to witness and worship,
 for everyone born, the right to be free.

Refrain***BENEDICTION AND THREE-FOLD AMEN**

POSTLUDE Prelude in C Major

J.S. Bach



AV MINISTRY TEAM	🗣️	Jim and Judy Zarubick
COUNTERS	💰	Thank you
JULY HOUSE LEADERS	👥	Rad & Debbie Michielson
MUSIC	🎵	David Hamilton
NURSERY ATTENDANT	♦	Thank you
SCRIPTURE READER	📖	Marion Boyd
SLIDE PRESENTATION	♦	Sarah MacKenzie
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER	♦	Jackie Clements
WORSHIP	🕊️	Gord Dunbar