



**Kincardine United Church  
10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
July 29, 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**      *Learning MV 171*

## **WELCOME**

### **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**

**INTROIT**      Voluntary

*John Stanley*

## **LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH**

Across a vast universe – points of light.

Within our galaxy's seeming emptiness – a world of warmth.

Amidst the many activities and entertainments of this holiday destination –

a sanctuary of hope.

**We come seeking that sanctuary, that place of reverence and of wholeness.**

Hungry people reach out  
**and food is shared.**

Desperate people cry aloud for help  
**and a chorus of joyful voices respond**  
**with compassion and with companionship.**

A Holy Mystery calls,  
**and we answer with our worship and by our Spirited love.**

Jesus invites us into community as we pray:

**God who is Love and calls forth love from within us all,**  
**raise our expectations as we worship today.**

**Do not let us settle for feel-good moments, for tidbits of useable wisdom**  
**or for a momentary easing of our weekly stress.**

**May the risen Christ enter our hearts so deeply that we may be**  
**transformed.**

**By that transformation, may we become his living body for the world.**

**We ask all this with abiding trust and through faithful discipleship. Amen.**

**VOICES UNITED 232 Joyful, Joyful We Adore You**

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)**

**You gave us life, living God, and in that life, freedom –**  
**but we became full of ourselves, taking all the credit,**  
**assuming we knew it all and had life under control.**

**In our pride and despite our overwhelming sense of power,**  
**we find weakness and the need to change.**

**In our weakness, we are mindful of our brokenness.**

**Help us to leave the comfort of our old ways of being**  
**so we can embrace our new home in living your Love.**

*(Silent Prayer)*

### **ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

**SHARING TIME** “Gathering at Table”

**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** Ephesians 3:14-21 from the paraphrase *The Message*

For the Word of God in scripture, among us and within us,  
**Thanks be to God.**

**\*VOICES UNITED 608** Dear God, Who Loves All Humankind

**BIBLE READING** 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 11:1-15 in the Old Testament on page 284

**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** "Probability Clouds"

**GOD INVITES US TO TABLE****INVITATION**

Here is the table Jesus called Love,  
 gathered around by those called beloved –  
 table of welcome in unity, ushering into the Trinity.

**Sing unto God a jubilant song, praising the one to whom we belong.  
 Sing of the future and of the past, Love ever present, holding us fast.**

## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**Also with you.**

Lift up your hearts high.

**We lift them up, too.**

Let us give thanks and praise to our Lord.

**It is so right we praise with accord.**

**Sing unto God a jubilant song, praising the one to whom we belong.**

**Sing of the future and of the past, Love ever present, holding us fast.**

Blessed be God Who caused us to be, called us to flourish, created us free,  
present wherever goodness is found, setting us firmly on holy ground.

**Sing unto God a jubilant song, praising the one to whom we belong.**

**Sing of the future and of the past, Love ever present, holding us fast.**

Prophets of old and prophets anew, challenge us all to follow, be true.

When life's temptations hold us in thrall,

then Jesus whispers, "Follow my call."

**Sing unto God a jubilant song, praising the one to whom we belong.**

**Sing of the future and of the past, Love ever present, holding us fast.**

Blessed are those who under duress, greet us like manna in our wilderness,  
fill us with hope when courage is gone, give us the strength for carrying on.

**Sing unto God a jubilant song, praising the one to whom we belong.**

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## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

So it was on the night he's betrayed,

Jesus did offer to those who had stayed,

bread for the journey, wine of his blood,

showing the promise: grace like a flood.

**Sing unto God a jubilant song, praising the one to whom we belong.**

**Sing of the future and of the past, Love ever present, holding us fast.**

## **PRAYER RECOGNIZING THE SPIRIT**

Now let us join our hearts before God,  
 Giving, in prayer, our praise and our laud,  
 asking the Spirit blessings of light, sharing this meal as Jesus' delight.  
**Sing unto God a jubilant song, praising the one to whom we belong.**  
**Sing of the future and of the past, Love ever present, holding us fast.**

## **FRACTION AND DISTRIBUTION**

*Communion will be served at the front of the church.*

*The ushers will direct you forward using the centre aisle to receive the bread,  
 to receive the small glass of grape juice, to prayerfully partake of each,  
 and to return to your seat using the side aisles.*

***Gluten-free crackers are available separately from the bread.***

*Please let an usher know if you wish to be served in your seat.*

*An appropriate response when receiving the bread or the grape juice is "Amen."*

## **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Blessed are all who here upon earth, nurture a vision and bring it to birth,  
 live by the creed we boldly embrace: blessed assurance, amazing grace.  
**Sing unto God a jubilant song, praising the one to whom we belong.**  
**Sing of the future and of the past, Love ever present, holding us fast.**

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## **GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND**

**ANTHEM**     Hallelujah

*L. Cohen  
 performed by Morgan Ritchie*

## **COMMUNITY PRAYERS**

## **OFFERING INVITATION**

**OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)**

As we offer all we have been given back to you, O God:  
 bless the giving so that it moulds us as your disciples;  
 bless the gifts as tools by which you work in the world;  
 bless our call to follow in faith that we may be Christ's body  
 in a hurting and divided world. Amen.

\***MORE VOICES** 171 Christ Has No Body Now but Yours

\***BENEDICTION**

\***THREE-FOLD AMEN**

**POSTLUDE**

Fugue

*Selby*



**AV MINISTRY TEAM** 🗣️ Ron Smith  
**COUNTERS** 🪙 Liz & Barry Schmidt  
**JULY HOUSE LEADERS** 🏠 Rad & Debbie Michielson  
**MUSIC** 🎵 David Hamilton, Morgan Ritchie  
**NURSERY ATTENDANT** ♦️ Sadie Shewfelt  
**SCRIPTURE READER** 📖 Marion Boyd  
**SLIDE PRESENTATION** ♦️ Sarah MacKenzie  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER** ♦️ Catharine Crawford  
**WORSHIP** 🕊️ Gord Dunbar