

**Kincardine United Church**  
**1st Sunday of Lent**  
**March 6th, 2022 10:30 a.m.**

**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**                      Four preludes, Number 4                      J. C. Kittel

**WELCOME**

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND**

For thousands of years, First Nations people have walked on this land.  
Their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and of their spirituality.

**We begin our worship this morning**

**by acknowledging the traditional territory of the Saugeen Ojibwe.**

We are all Treaty people, parties to Crown Treaty 45 ½ in 1836.

**Keep us mindful of the covenants that have been made – and broken –  
with First Nations peoples.**

**May we grow into living with respect on this land,  
walking into reconciliation through peace and friendship,  
while honouring all who live, work and worship on it.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**GOD GATHERS US**

**MUSICAL INTROIT**                      Four preludes, Number 1                      J. C. Kittel

**LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**

**CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH**

We come to this place of worship on this first Sunday of Lent,  
seeking a space of embrace, of reshaping and of sending forth.

**We have settled into this space, in person while distanced,  
online through technology or by recording in God's timelessness.**

When the world confuses and confounds us,  
still, we come in hope and in anticipation.

**We come in trust that our hearts will meet with the heart of the divine.**  
 Come, then, enfolded in God's divine heart through the intimacy of prayer:  
**We nestle into your loving, sustaining embrace, O God.**  
**In the cold of winter, warm us with the Spirit's flame of inspiration.**

**In the bluster of northern winds,**  
**still our minds that we may choose the Way of wholeness.**  
**On the slippery, dangerous ice of uncertainty,**  
**give us traction to be gripped by stories of Christ's self-giving.**  
**Free us to become ever more those who follow you as we sing your praises.**  
**Amen.**

**\*VOICES UNITED 326** O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

**ASSURANCE OF GRACE** #807 Voices United without refrain

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*Silent Prayer*)

**SHARING TIME** Marshmellowed

**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** Romans 10:8b-13 in the New Testament page 160.

<sup>8</sup> But what does it say?

"The word is near you,  
 on your lips and in your heart"

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup> because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. <sup>11</sup> The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." <sup>12</sup> For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. <sup>13</sup> For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

**\*VOICES UNITED 606** In Christ There Is No East or West

**BIBLE READING** Luke 4:1-13 in the New Testament page 61.

**4** Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, **2** where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. **3** The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." **4** Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

<sup>5</sup> Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. <sup>6</sup> And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. <sup>7</sup> If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." <sup>8</sup> Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

<sup>9</sup> Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, <sup>10</sup> for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,'

<sup>11</sup> and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

<sup>12</sup> Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" <sup>13</sup> When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

**DOXOLOGY** Love Is the Touch #89 *More Voices* (verse 4 only)

**Love is the Maker and Spirit and Son;  
love is the kingdom their will has begun;  
love is the path which the saints all have trod:  
God is where love is, for love is of God.**

**MEDITATION** Loving into Wholeness

## **GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND**

**COMMUNITY PRAYERS**

**CHOIR ANTHEM**      Amazing Grace      Arranged by Richard Proulx

**MINUTE FOR MISSION**

**OFFERING INVITATION**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)**

**Loving God, we are always tempted to keep what we already have,  
yet you whisper to us a different, more radical purpose:**

**"Give your time to build relationships that make a difference.**

**Give your talent in community to foster a space of loving.**

**Give your treasure to share bounty with others in need."**

**We hear you, wise Spirit, asking that you bless what we give,  
that we may be witness**

**to the Way of Jesus. Amen.**

**\*VOICES UNITED 660** How Firm a Foundation

**BENEDICTION**

**SONG OF COMMITMENT**    I Have Called You by Your Name  
#161 *More Voices* (verse 4 only)

**I have given you a name, it is mine;  
I have given you my Spirit as a sign.  
With my wonder in your soul, make my wounded children whole;  
go and tell my precious people they are mine.**

**POSTLUDE**            Fughetta in g minor            J. E. Rembt