



Kincardine United Church
24th Sunday after Pentecost

November 15, 2020 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 Trio

Andreas Armsdorff

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

MUSICAL INTROIT Four Preludes Number 3

J. C. Kittel

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

As we enter fully into our worship service, let us take time to pause.
 Let us take time to breathe deeply as we rest in God's loving arms.
 Let us release all that troubles us, weighs us down and occupies our thoughts.
(Silent prayer as we breathe deeply and still our hearts.)
 Now pay attention ever more deeply to your breathing.
 Breathe out your worries and anxieties; breathe in calm and comfort.
 Breathe out your pain and sorrow; breathe in healing and wholeness.
(Silent prayer as we breathe fully of the Spirit's renewing power.)
 Notice peace within as your muscles relax and let go.
 Notice your familiar aches and pains, your stiffness and old wounds,
 treasuring them as signs of your life and of your aliveness.
 Breathe out your loneliness and fear; breathe in the risen Christ's companionship.
(Silent prayer as we breathe expansively of Jesus' presence.)
 Now open yourself to the intricate network of connections in God's good Creation.
 Take some silent time to perceive your place within the whole, loved and cherished.
(Silent prayer as we breathe deeply and pay attention in reverence.)
 Let us give God our thanks and our praise as we pray aloud together:
We come to worship, Creator God, awed by your Creation's glory.
We give you thanks for all that you have provided us:
 life itself and the weaving of each part of life into a beautiful whole;
 the seasons transforming and surprising with vibrant diversity;
 our weakness becoming purposeful strength when we work as one;
 times of boredom and frenetic activity balanced within your heart;
 death itself as the inevitable portal into new life and new joy;
 our very breath as sign and promise of your abundant love.
We come to worship, Living God, as one body united in you. Amen.

*VOICES UNITED 291 All Things Bright and Beautiful

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Silent Prayer)**SHARING TIME** The Rainbow Fish**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 299** Teach Me, God, to Wonder**BIBLE READING** Psalm 104:1-13, 24 from the paraphrase *The Message*.

GOD, my God, how great you are!
 beautifully, gloriously robed,
 Dressed up in sunshine,
 and all heaven stretched out for your tent.
 You built your palace on the ocean deeps,
 made a chariot out of clouds and took off on wind-wings.
 You commandeered winds as messengers,
 appointed fire and flame as ambassadors.
 You set earth on a firm foundation
 so that nothing can shake it, ever.
 You blanketed earth with ocean,
 covered the mountains with deep waters;
 Then you roared and the water ran away—
 your thunder crash put it to flight.
 Mountains pushed up, valleys spread out
 in the places you assigned them.
 You set boundaries between earth and sea;
 never again will earth be flooded.
 You started the springs and rivers,
 sent them flowing among the hills.
 All the wild animals now drink their fill,
 wild donkeys quench their thirst.
 Along the riverbanks the birds build nests,
 ravens make their voices heard.
 You water the mountains from your heavenly cisterns;
 earth is supplied with plenty of water.
 You make grass grow for the livestock,
 hay for the animals that plow the ground.
 What a wildly wonderful world, GOD!
 You made it all, with Wisdom at your side,
 made earth overflow with your wonderful creations.

DOXOLOGY KNOW THAT GOD IS GOOD (sing twice)

Know that God is good,
 Know that God is good,
 Know that God is good,
 God is good, God is good.

MEDITATION Wisdom to Wonder and Share

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM Open My Eyes that I May See *Clara H. Scott and Hal H. Hopson*

*Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou has for me;
 place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free:
 Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see;
 open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!*

*Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear;
 and while the wave-notes fall on my ear, ev'rything false will disappear:
 Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see;
 open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!*

*Open my mouth and let me bear gladly the warm truth ev'rywhere;
 open my heart and let me prepare love with they children, thus to share:
 Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see;
 open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!*

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION

WHY I GIVE Liz Dillman

OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)

**Bless these gifts we offer, O God,
 as yarn integral to the pattern of your creative weaving.
 Take each thread of yarn we offer, connecting it to each of us.
 In our giving and in our receiving,
 may we know your purpose as we weave our faith into the world. Amen.**

***VOICES UNITED 579** The Church is Wherever God's People

BENEDICTION

SONG OF COMMITMENT 424 "May the God of Hope Go with Us"

**May the God of hope go with us every day,
 filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
 May the God of justice speed us on our way,
 bringing light and hope to every land and race.
 Praying, let us work for peace, singing, share our joy with all,
 working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call.**

POSTLUDE Four Preludes Number 4

J. C. Kittel