



**Kincardine United Church
Creation Time 1
September 10, 2017 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 invites you to stand as you are able.

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PRELUDE Steal Away to Jesus

arr. John Carter

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOD GATHERS US

MUSICAL INTROIT Meine Hoffnung steht auf Gott

by Carl Piutti (1846-1902)

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

Come to worship as those ending the first week back at school,
as those flooded by returned busyness.

We come as people needing time to sort things out, to reorient ourselves.

Come to worship as those emptied by back-to-school shopping,
as those sighing with relief that the preparations are (mostly) over.

We come as people seeking guidance for what has real value and true worth.

Come to worship as those waiting to see how the year will unfold,
as those yearning for what might be.

We come as people yearning to journey into new possibilities.

Come and worship as we pray:

O Christ, be our companion as we travel the Way you lived.

O Spirit, be our inspiration as we grow into wise elders.

O God, be our endurance as we learn how to be your people.

Three in One, be our identity as we embrace wholeness. Amen.

***VOICES UNITED #655** All My Hope on God Is Founded

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

We are chained by links of daily obligation and of expectation.

We are weighed down by chains of desire and of want.

We are burdened by the weight of soul-numbing exhaustion.

Free us, O God, as we open our souls to your grace-filled embrace.

Break our chains of brokenness and links of neglect in following you.

(Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE**SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST****SHARING TIME****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

BIBLE READING Romans 13:8-14 from the paraphrase *The Message*

***VOICES UNITED #427** To Show by Touch and Word

BIBLE READING Exodus 12:1-14 in the Old Testament page 58

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 Chain Gang

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM Praise the Lord

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COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION AND OFFERTORY Fairest Lord Jesus

arr. Victor Labenske

***OFFERTORY HYMN #538 VU** For the Gift of Creation
**For the gift of creation, the gift of your love,
and the gift of the Spirit by which we live,
we thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.
May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.**

***OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)**
**We bring to you, O God, these symbols of our devotion to you.
Bless these symbols – and us – as signs of your love in the world. Amen.**

***VOICES UNITED #274** Your Hand, O God, Has Guided

***BENEDICTION**

***SONG OF COMMITMENT #424 VU (v1)** May the God of Hope Go with Us

POSTLUDE This Little Light of Mine

arr. Mark Hayes

AV MINISTRY TEAM 📺	Thank you
COUNTERS 💰	Jack and Karen Nancekivell
SEPTEMBER HOUSE LEADER 🏠	Wayne and Joan Hartwick
MUSIC 🎵	David Hamilton, KUC Choir
NURSERY ATTENDANT ♦	Bonnie Cole
SCRIPTURE READER 📖	Thank you
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER ✍️	Krista Ritchie
WORSHIP 🕊️	Rev. Gord Dunbar

