



## Kincardine United Church

### Creation Time 4

September 29th, 2019 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.

**Black bold print in the bulletin & on screens invites you to say the words.**

\*An asterisk in the bulletin indicates you may sit or stand.

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**PRELUDE** Paperless music

### **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 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      Introit

*J.C. Kittel*

### LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Jesus said "I am the Light of the World; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." let us all walk in the light of Christ Jesus that we may see our world more clearly and love it with His wisdom.

### CALL TO WORSHIP AND PRAYER OF APPROACH

Welcome to all who are joining us today whether as old friends or new ones; come with your worries and sadness and let us be as a family to all. We share our concerns, our caring, our forgiveness as we are cared for and forgiven.

**We come seeking assurance and prayers, looking for God's support and acceptance in our daily lives.**

We come hoping to sing songs of joy and praise, certain in the knowledge that God is here with us, beside us, and around us, holding us in His gracious and abundant love.

We can rejoice in the knowledge that we are not alone. We are God's family here and around the world. As we gather together, drawing support from each other, we seek to find new ways to reach out to the family;

**reach out to the world, it is the gift from God, the Creator;**

**reach out to those who are in need of God's Grace;**

**reach out to show the world a new way of being, doing, living;**

**reach out in God's name to our home, that we may do better in the coming days  
and years. Amen.**

\*HYMN      "Here in This Place (Gather Us In)"    Vs. 1, 2 and 4.

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**It is difficult to hear Your voice, Lord - the world is so noisy these days, and busy, and distressed. Most of the time we are not sure what exactly we should be doing; reaching out to those in need is good for a few moments of feeling good, but it does not really change all the things that are broken and damaged, lost, hurt, dying. We thought our eyes and ears were good enough, but they are being overwhelmed. We need Your guidance and wisdom, O Lord, to help us see the priorities, and then to make the loving choices that are needed to help heal our home. May our senses learn what is right in Your eyes. Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF GRACE

The Bible has many places where we are assured that nothing in this world or the next can separate us from the love of God the Creator, Christ Jesus our saviour and the Holy Spirit who pour God's constant and unending love into the hearts of all who follow him - all we need to do is listen for God's voice.

#### GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

SHARING TIME      "Hearing"

**THE LORD'S PRAYER VU 916** *(Jim Cotter, 1988)*

Eternal Spirit, Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and what shall be.

Father and Mother of us all, Loving God, in whom is heaven:  
the hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

The way of your justice be followed by peoples of the world!

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

Your commonwealth of peace and freedom  
sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,  
now and for ever. Amen.

**BIBLE READING** 1Timothy 6: 7-12, 17-20 from the paraphrase The Message

**\*VOICES UNITED** 639 "One More Step Along the World I Go"

**BIBLE READING** Luke 16: 19-31 From the paraphrase The Message

**DOXOLOGY** "Praise with Joy the World's Creator" #312 Voices United

Praise with joy the world's Creator, God of justice, love, and peace,  
source and end of human knowledge, God whose grace shall never cease.  
Celebrate the Maker's glory, power to rescue and release.

**MEDITATION** "Who is Listening?"

**ANTHEM** On Eagle's Wings

*Joncas*

**COMMUNITY PRAYERS****OFFERING INVITATION****OFFERING PRAYER (in unison)**

By giving, we break the chains of bondage that hold so many people captive.

By giving, we set them, and ourselves, free of the world's disinterest.

By giving, we open our hearts to Your compassion and acceptance.

By giving, we open ourselves to You and show the world that we care. Amen.

**\*MORE VOICES** 174 "Soil of God, you and I"

**BENEDICTION**

**\*SONG OF COMMITMENT** "We are marching in the Light of God" #646 VU

We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, marching, we are marching (oo),  
we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, marching, we are marching (oo),  
we are marching in the light of God.

**POSTLUDE** The Emperor's Fanfare

*Soler/Biggs*