



Kincardine United Church
15th Sunday after Pentecost
September 13, 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 Siciliana (Op. 62, No.6)

G. Goltermann

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

For thousands of years, First Nations peoples have walked this land,
weaving their identity and their spirituality intimately with the land.

**European colonisation came about in large part because of the Doctrine of Discovery,
a flawed understanding that ignores indigenous presence on the land.**

Affirming the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
and, therefore, repudiating the wrong of such a doctrine,
we begin our worship this morning by acknowledging
the unceded territory of the Chippewas of Nawash First Nation,
the Saugeen Ojibwe and, more recently, the Saugeen Metis.

We are all Treaty people,

parties to the Upper Canada, Haldimand, Huron and Niagara Treaties.

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
 with all who live and work and worship on it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

GOD GATHERS US

INTROIT Dearest Jesus

J.G. Walther

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE (written by Richard Bott, Dunbar Heights United Church)

All creation is made of star-stuff.

From the basic building blocks of the universe, come fire, air, earth, and water.

And all creation sings praise to the Creator of all.

Baptized by the waters of the sky, standing firm on the earth,
 breathing deep the breath of life, warmed by this flame...

we go where Christ's light shines! Alleluia! Alleluia, amen!

CALL TO WORSHIP

Be still, and know that God is

Before creation began, God was.

And when all human striving has ceased, God will still be.

From everlasting to everlasting,

God is God, who alone is worthy to be worshipped.

Let us join in prayer to our God.

OPENING PRAYER (written by Wendy MacLean, Christ U.C., Lyn, ON.)

(**Gathering**, Pentecost 2 2020 page 27. Used with permission)

Spirit, life, and soul of all creation, in moments of change, when everything we know starts
 to fade away and yet before we know what is coming,

bless us with confidence in your wisdom and guidance.

Remind us of the glory of the earth as the leaves begin to change.

Help us to let go of what is no longer needed.

Free us from holding tightly to old ways and habits when your Spirit calls us to a new day
 and a new way in creation.

We pray in the name of Jesus, who shows us the way. Amen.

VOICES UNITED 307 Touch the Earth Lightly

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SHARING TIME

THE LORD'S PRAYER A Translation (*Voices United* #916):

Our Father-Mother, who is in the heavens,

may your name be made holy, may your dominion come,
may your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today the bread we need;

and forgive us our debts, as we have forgiven our debtors;

and do not put us to the test, but rescue us from evil.

For yours is the dominion, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

GOD SPEAKS TO US IN WORD

HEBREW SCRIPTURE Genesis 50:15-21 from the Message

VOICES UNITED 364 Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 18:21-35 from the Message

DOXOLOGY 217 Verse 5 of All Creatures of Our God and King

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship God in humbleness:

sing praises, hallelujah!

Praise God eternal, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, three in one:

sing praises, hallelujah!

hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!

MEDITATION "Forgiveness – I'm Sorry eh"

GOD INVITES US TO RESPOND

ANTHEM Soli Deo

David Waggoner

COMMUNITY PRAYERS

OFFERING INVITATION

OFFERING PRAYER

Most Gracious and Generous God,

in whom we live and move and have our being,

accept the gifts we have offered to you through Per Authorized Remittance, eTransfer, Canada
Helps, Cheque, talent or time,

symbols of love and earthly toil, signs of our praise and gratitude.

Accept them, bless them and us. We ask it in Jesus' name. Amen.

VOICES UNITED 639 One More Step Along the World I Go

BENEDICTION

SONG OF COMMITMENT Voices United 431 Sing Amen

Sing amen: Amen, we praise your name, O God.

Sing amen: Amen, we praise your name, O God.

Sing amen: Amen, amen, amen, amen,

amen, we praise your name, O God.

POSTLUDE Fugue in g minor BWV 588

J.S. Bach