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Our Mission...

to be an accepting Christian community dedicated to living, sharing and teaching the Word of God.

We respect all aspects of people including race, ethnicity, gender expression, sexual orientation, socio-economic background, age, religion, mental wellness, and ability.

November 10th, 2024
A Service of Peace & Remembrance

The asterisk invites all to stand, if they are able. **Bold print indicates a congregational response.*

GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD

PRELUDE *(Music played with permission under license #A-620529 One License)*

~Joanne Diplock

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT of the LAND

We acknowledge that we meet on Treaty 1 land, the traditional lands of the Anishinaabe, Cree and Dakota peoples, and the homeland of the Red River Metis. We also acknowledge that the water we use here comes from the Shoal Lake 40 First Nation. We are grateful for these first inhabitants and their stewardship of the land and its resources through the ages, and we commit to working together towards justice, truth and reconciliation.

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION to the SERVICE

LIGHTING of the CHRIST CANDLE *Paula Thomson*

*(Adapted from James Traquair; from *Gathering Pentecost 2* 2017.)*

*We light the Christ candle to remind us
that the light of Christ shines on the road to peace,
and illuminates even our most difficult hours.*

LIGHTING of the PEACE CANDLE

And we light our Peace candle, earnestly praying for peace:

**peace in our hearts,
peace in our homes,
peace in our world.**

As we journey with Jesus, the Prince of Peace,

O God, we pray for peace. Amen.

SHARING the PEACE of CHRIST

***Peace be with you.
And also with you.***

CALL to WORSHIP

(Written by Richard Bott; from Gathering Pentecost 2 2022.)

Peace be with you.

And also with you.

In a world of war...

we search for peace.

In a world of confusion...

we search for calm.

In a world of pain...

we search for healing.

In a world of isolation...

we search for communion.

Communion with each other...

and communion with God.

Let us search together...

and let us worship God.

OPENING PRAYER

(Adapted from Camilia LaRouche; from *Worship for All Seasons II: Year A.*)

God of justice and peace, we draw near to you in worship.

Open our hearts in remembrance,

our minds to your Word,

and our mouths to your praise.

May we leave this place with renewed commitment

to your will and your way for our world.

In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

* *VU #524 - "**O Canada**"*

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(Routhier/Weir/Lavallée)

~Joanne Diplock

O Canada! Our home and native land!

True patriot love in all of us command.

With glowing hearts we see thee rise,

the True North strong and free!

From far and wide, O Canada,

we stand on guard for thee.

God keep our land glorious and free!

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

ROLL of HONOUR

THE LAST POST

MOMENT of SILENCE

ROUSE

WORDS of REMEMBRANCE

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old.

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning.

We will remember them.

POEM: "In Flanders Fields" ~Peter Latimer (Written by Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae)

*HYMN: VU #527 – **"God! As With Silent Hearts"**

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(Kaan/Langran)

~Joanne Diplock

- 1 God! As with silent hearts we bring to mind
how hate and war diminish humankind,
we pause, and seek in worship to increase
our knowledge of the things that make for peace.**
- 2 Hallow our will as humbly we recall
the lives of those who gave and give their all.
We thank you, God, for women, children, men
who seek to serve in love, today as then.**
- 3 Give us deep faith to comfort those who mourn,
high hope to share with all the newly born,
strong love in our pursuit of human worth:
'lest we forget' the future of this earth.**
- 4 So, Prince of Peace, disarm our trust in power,
teach us to coax the plant of peace to flower.
May we, impassioned by your living Word,
remember forward to a world restored.**

CONVERSATION TIME

LISTENING FOR AND REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reader: *Rev. Brenda Gibson*

Isaiah 2: 1-4

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come

*the mountain of the Lord's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.*

*Many peoples shall come and say,
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways*

and that we may walk in his paths.'
For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.

Matthew 5: 1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Words after Scripture:

May God grant us understanding of these words of scripture.

Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM **"Let Us Pray for Peace"**

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~Joanne Diplock

REFLECTION *~Sgt. Retired Paula Thomson*

A PRAYER for PEOPLE of COURAGE

(Written by the Rev. Dr. Neil Parker, Military Chaplain)

RESPONDING TO GOD IN PRAYER AND ACTION

*HYMN OF RESPONSE: *VU #684* – **"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"** (St. Francis)

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~Joanne Diplock

- 1 Make me a channel of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me bring your love;
where there is injury, your healing power,
and where there's doubt, true faith in you:**

**O Spirit, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love with all my soul.**

- 2 Make me a channel of your peace:
where there's despair in life, let me bring hope;
where there is darkness, only light;
and where there's sadness, ever joy.**

**O Spirit, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love with all my soul.**

- 3 Make me a channel of your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving to all that we receive,
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.**

LIFE and WORK of the CONGREGATION

STEWARDSHIP FOCUS Pastoral Care Committee ~*Marvelle McPherson*

BLESSING of the PRAYER SHAWLS

THE PRESENTATION of our TITHES and OFFERINGS

Offertory Music *as the offerings are collected*

~*Joanne Diplock*

*Offertory Hymn: *VU #541 – "Praise God from Whom All Blessings ..."* (Ken)
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~*Joanne Diplock*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures high and low;
give thanks to God in love made known:
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.**

*Offertory Prayer (Written by Frances Flook; from *Gathering Pentecost 2 2018*.)

**Loving and gracious God,
accept these gifts that we offer.
May they contribute toward a world that is more forgiving,
more loving, more just, and more peaceful.
We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE

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 forever and ever. Amen.**

SENT INTO GOD'S WORLD

***CLOSING HYMN: #173 MV – "Put Peace into Each Other's Hands"** (Newton)
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- 1 Put Peace into each other's hands
and like a treasure hold it,
protect it like a candle flame,
with tenderness enfold it.**
- 2 Put peace into each other's hands
with loving expectation;
be gentle in your words and ways,
in touch with God's creation.**
- 3 Put peace into each other's hands
like bread we break for sharing;
look people warmly in the eye;
our life is meant for caring.**
- 4 Give thanks for strong yet tender hands,
held out in trust and blessing.
Where words fall short, let hands speak out,
the heights of love expressing.**
- 5 Reach out in friendship, stay with faith
in touch with those around you.
Put peace into each other's hands;
the peace that sought and found you.**

***COMMISSIONING** (Written by David Sparks; from *Worship for All Seasons II: Year B*. Used with permission.)

**Remembering past courage,
and ready to be courageous;
remembering past conflicts,
and ready to persist in the struggle for justice;**

**remembering past sacrifices,
and ready to give for the sake of others;
remembering the hard path to peace,
and ready to be peacemakers:
we go forth...**

*BLESSING

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

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**May the Lord go with you,
let him take your hand.
Keep His love within you,
until we meet again. Amen.**

(Price/Besig)
~Joanne Diplock

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