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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.*

July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
Toonie Sunday

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*\*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*

### WELCOME & INTRODUCTION to the SERVICE

*A warm welcome is extended to all, especially those who are worshipping at North Kildonan for the first time or who have returned after an absence. Your presence both enriches us, and this time of celebration together.*

### LIFE and WORK of the CHURCH FAMILY

#### 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.*

#### LIGHTING of the CHRIST CANDLE *~lit by Dorothy Franklin*

*The light shines in the deepest night  
and the night has not overcome it.*

*May the light of this candle remind us of the light of Christ  
which shines on us, around us, within us and through us.*

#### LIGHTING of the PEACE CANDLE

*As we light this second candle, we pray 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.***

PEACE PATTERN      *(As we shift from sharing the peace to continuing in worship)*

## CALL to WORSHIP

*God open our spirits and fill us with light.*

**Open our hearts and fill us with love.**

*Open our minds that we may receive you with love and compassion.*

**May we worship and praise you and call to you to hear our prayers.**

*Open our souls to wait for your hope and steadfast love.*

**God remind us of your loving presence  
and bring our hearts to this place  
with praise and thanksgiving.**

## \*OPENING HYMN: VU #331 – "The Church's One Foundation"

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*(Stone/Wesley)  
~Joanne Diplock*

- 1 The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ our Lord;  
we are his new creation by water and the Word;  
from heaven he came and sought us that we might ever be  
his living servant people, by his own death set free.**
- 2 Called forth from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth;  
one charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.  
One holy name professing and at one table fed,  
to one hope always pressing, by Christ's own Spirit led.**
- 3 Though with a scornful wonder the world sees us oppressed,  
by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,  
yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, 'How long?'  
But soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.**
- 4 Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of our war,  
we wait the consummation of peace forevermore;  
till with the vision glorious our longing eyes are blest,  
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.**
- 5 We now on earth have union with God the Three in One,  
and share through faith communion with those whose rest is won.  
Oh, happy ones, and holy! Lord, give us grace that we  
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.**

## OPENING PRAYER

**God, we praise you and welcome your presence in our lives.  
We yearn for your love and grace.**

**We seek your wisdom and guidance.  
We relish the joy within our hearts when you are with us.  
Remind us to share the hope and joy of your love  
to someone who hungers for spiritual food.  
Shine the light of your spirit through us  
and revise hope in those who have lost their way.  
Be with us as we celebrate your presence with us today.  
In Jesus name we pray. Amen.**

## CONVERSATION TIME

\***HYMN:** *VU #337 – "Blessed Assurance"*

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(Crosby/Knapp)

~Joanne Diplock

- 1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
born of the Spirit, washed in Christ's blood.  
This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Saviour all the day long;  
this is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Saviour all the day long.**
- 2 Perfect submission, perfect delight!  
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;  
angels descending, bring from above  
echoes of mercy, whispers of love. R**
- 3 Perfect submission, all is at rest,  
I in my Saviour am happy and blessed;  
watching and waiting, looking above,  
filled with God's goodness, lost in Christ's love. R**

## LISTENING FOR AND REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

Scripture Readings: *read by Dorothy Franklin*

### **Psalm 66: 1-9**

*Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;  
sing the glory of his name;  
give to him glorious praise.  
Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!  
Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.  
All the earth worships you;  
they sing praises to you,  
sing praises to your name." Selah*

*Come and see what God has done:  
he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.  
He turned the sea into dry land;  
they passed through the river on foot.  
There we rejoiced in him,  
who rules by his might forever,  
whose eyes keep watch on the nations—  
let the rebellious not exalt themselves. Selah  
Bless our God, O peoples;  
let the sound of his praise be heard,  
who has kept us among the living  
and has not let our feet slip.*

### **Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20**

*After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way; I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if a person of peace is there, your peace will rest on that person, but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has is at hand for you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God is at hand.'*

*"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."*

*The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. Indeed, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."*

### **Words of Response:**

*Let us hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.*

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

**REFLECTION:** "Love – What is It?"

*~Gay Todd*

## RESPONDING TO GOD IN PRAYER AND ACTION

### \*HYMN: VU #343 – "I Love to Tell the Story"

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(Hankey/Fischer)

~Joanne Diplock

- 1 I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;  
it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.  
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,  
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.**
- 2 I love to tell the story; more wonderful it seems  
than all the golden fancies of all our golden dreams.  
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
the message of salvation from God's own holy Word. R**
- 3 I love to tell the story, for those who know it best  
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,  
'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. R**

### AN INVITATION to SHARE

*For the many gifts God had given to us,  
Let us offer what we can of ourselves as we present our offerings.*

Offertory Music *as the offerings are collected*

~Joanne Diplock

### \*Offertory Hymn: #191 MV – "What Can I Do?"

sung 2X

(Rumbolt/McCarthy)

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~Joanne Diplock

**What can I do? What can I bring?  
What can I say? What can I sing?  
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.  
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.**

### \*Offertory Prayer

**God receive these gifts for the work of your church and community.  
Enrich our lives through the gifts of your spirit.  
May we serve You with conviction,  
joy and with a smile on our faces  
and a song in our hearts. Amen.**

### PRAYERS of the PEOPLE

*God draw us together in this place, that we might pray for your people and your  
world. We give you thanks for hope for the vision of justice and peace among your  
people, even in the midst of conflict;  
We pray for those who are facing many challenges of this life;  
We pray for those who are alone, homeless and who suffer from anxiety or are*

*grieving;  
We pray for the sick in body or in spirit.  
We are thankful for those who are able to return to their homes after the wild fires and  
pray for those who are still evacuated  
We pray for those who are enduring flooding, hurricanes and other natural  
catastrophes  
For those who endure terror of conflict and oppression and will go hungry this day,  
We pray for them.  
We pray for leaders of all countries to encourage peace for war torn communities.  
We pray for our church family and our community.  
May we have hope and find peace, joy and love in our lives.  
And now let us pray together the prayer that Jesus taught us...*

## 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: VU #232 – "Joyful, Joyful We Adore You"**

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*(van Dyke/Beethoven)*

*~Joanne Diplock*

- 1 Joyful, joyful we adore you,  
God of glory, life and love;  
hearts unfold like flowers before you,  
opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
drive the gloom of doubt away;  
giver of immortal gladness,  
fill us with the light of day.**
- 2 All your works with joy surround you,  
earth and heaven reflect your rays,  
stars and angels sing around you,  
centre of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
flowery meadow, flashing sea,**

**chanting bird and flowing fountain,  
sound their praise eternally.**

**3 You are giving and forgiving,  
ever blessing, ever blest,  
wellspring of the joy of living,  
ocean depth of happy rest!  
Source of grace and fount of blessing,  
let your light upon us shine;  
teach us how to love each other,  
lift us to the joy divine.**

**4 Mortals join the mighty chorus  
which the morning stars began;  
God's own love is reigning o'er us,  
joining people hand in hand.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
victors in the midst of strife;  
joyful music leads us sunward  
in the triumph song of life.**

**\*BLESSING and SENDING FORTH**

*Go now in love,  
go now in peace,  
go now and embrace the time God has given us.  
Reach out to a friend and stranger,  
be gracious to those in need.  
May the Spirit of God be with you,  
go now and serve the Lord,  
in the name of Christ. Amen.*

**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION**

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(Price/Besig)

~Joanne Diplock

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

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