

St. Paul's United Church Sunday, April 03, 2022 – Lent 5

Minister: Rev. Karen Ptolemy-Stam Music Director: Victoria Warwick

Tech Team: Glenn Erwin, Rick Dell, Catherine Ladouceur, Bruce Wilcox

Readers: Lynne Angus, Rick Dell

Music: Shayla Brown, Hilary Warwick, Steve Angrisano & Tom Tomaszek, Red

Deer Lake United Church singers, Jim & Jean Strathdee

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS / CALL TO THE GATHERED

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

OPENING HYMN: VU#595 "We Are Pilgrims (The Servant Song)" sung by Red Deer Lake United Church musicians.

- We are pilgrims on a journey, fellow travellers on the road; we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.
- 2. Sister, let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.
- 3. I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of your fear;
 I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.
- 4. I will weep when you are weeping, when you laugh, I'll laugh with you; I will share your joy and sorrow, till we've seen this journey through.
- 5. When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony, born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.
- 6. Brother, let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

OPENING PRAYER read by Rick Dell, written by Karen Ptolemy-Stam

We gather this day, Holy One, to ponder your teachings for our lives as we walk with each other on this path called faith. Jesus called us to love one another. He then insisted that all people, even the stranger in our lands, is our neighbour. As we hear the real-life story of a refugee family, open our hearts to reach out to support refugees as part of our faith commitment to Christ and as part of St. Paul's United Church. Be with us in our worship. Amen.

EXTINGUISHING THE LIGHT ON OUR LENTEN JOURNEY
SUNG RESPONSE: "Be Still and Know That I am God" sung by Hilary Warwick

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Luke 10:25-37; Selected Scriptures on caring for the Stranger in your Midst, read by Lynne Angus

HYMN: "When I Needed a Neighbour" sung by Jim & Jean Strathdee

- 1. When I needed a neighbour, were you there, were you there? When I needed a neighbour, were you there? Refrain: And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter, were you there?
- 2. I was hungry and thirsty, were you there, were you there? I was hungry and thirsty, were you there? Refrain:
- 3. I was cold, I was naked, were you there, were you there? I was cold, I was naked, were you there?

 Refrain:
- 4. When I needed a healer, were you there, were you there? When I needed a healer, were you there? **Refrain:**
- 5. Wherever you travel I'll be there, I'll be there, wherever you travel I'll be there.

 Refrain:





L.I.F.E. (Living in Faith Everyday) SERMON/ST. PAUL'S REFUGEE WORK: OUR LENTEN PROJECT: Stories from one our Refugee Family – Kaw Khee Lar and Lah Eh Shee

REMINDER ABOUT GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

HYMN: MV #209 "Go Make a Difference" sung by Steve Angrisano & Tom Tomaszek. **Refrain:**

Go make a diff'rence. We can make a diff'rence. Go make a diff'rence in the world. Go make a diff'rence. We can make a diff'rence in the world.

1. We are the salt of the earth, called to let the people see the love of God for you and me.

We are the light of the world, not to be hidden but be seen.

Go make a diff'rence in the world.

Refrain:

2. We are the hands of Christ reaching out to those in need, the face of God for all to see. We are the spirit of hope; we are the voice of peace. Go make a diff'rence in the world. **Refrain:**

3. So let your love shine on, let it shine for all to see. Go make a diff'rence in the world. And the spirit of Christ will be with us as we go. Go make a diff'rence in the world. **Refrain:**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER: read by Rick Dell

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

SUNG BENEDICTION: "May God's Sheltering Wings" sung by Shayla Brown

POSTLUDE