



Sunday, Nov. 26, 2023

Minister: Rev. Karen Ptolemy-Stam

Music Director: Victoria Warwick

Singers: St. Paul's Choir

Readers: Lynne Angus, Carol MacDonald

Tech Team: Glenn Erwin, Gabriella and Rick Dell, Bruce Wilcox

WELCOME & CALL TO THE GATHERED

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

OPENING HYMN: VU# 820 "Make a Joyful Noise all the Earth"

Refrain:

Make a joyful noise all the earth! Worship your God with gladness.

Make a joyful noise all the earth. Come to this place with a song!

1. Know that your God has made you. Know it's to God we belong.
And come to this place with joyfulness and praise.
Worship your God with a song!

Refrain:

2. Enter these gates, thanks giving. Enter these courts with praise.
Sing thanks to your God and bless the holy Name.
Worship your God with a song!

Refrain:

3. Ages through endless ages, seasons of endless years,
the love of our Maker ever shall endure.
Worship your God with a song!

OPENING PRAYER: read by Carol MacDonald

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE:

As we light this Christ candle, may it remind us that Christ is in us and in our world.

SUNG RESPONSE: MV#82 "Bathe Me in Your Light O God"

Bathe me in your light, O God of All, Creator;

let it shine upon my soul with healing and with grace.

Be to me a beacon bright through shadows of life's wounding,
showing me the way to live in faith, in your embrace.

THEME CONVERSATION

HYMN: "Like a Rock"

Like a rock, like a rock, God is under our feet.

Like the starry night sky God is over our head.

Like the sun on the horizon God is ever before.

Like the river runs to ocean, our home is in God evermore.

(Children leave for Discovery Kids)

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Matthew 25:31-46 read by Lynne Angus

SERMON:

GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM: "With Grateful Hearts, Rejoice"

SUNG RESPONSE: MV# 150 (v 3) "Loving God"

Loving God: be our voice, be our prayer. Reaching out, joining hands as we share, we seek your guidance through friendship and care. Loving God, be our prayer.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

DEDICATION OF MEMORIAL GIFTS

SUNG RESPONSE: VU#705 "For All the Saints" vs 1

For all the saints, who from their labour rest;
all who by faith before the world confessed,
Your name O Jesus, be forever blest.
Hallelujah, hallelujah!



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER read by Carol MacDonald

CLOSING HYMN: VU#600 "When I Needed a Neighbour "

1. When I needed a neighbour, were you there, were you there?
When I needed a neighbour, were you there?
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?
And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter, were you there?
3. I was cold, I was naked, were you there, were you there?
I was cold, I was naked, were you there?
And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter, were you there?
4. When I needed a healer, were you there, were you there?
When I needed a healer, were you there?
And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter, were you there?
5. Wherever you travel I'll be there, I'll be there,
wherever you travel I'll be there.
And the creed and the colour and the name won't matter, I'll be there.

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: Please wait for the choir to recess before leaving the sanctuary.