

A Joyful Noise



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St. Paul's United Church

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Gathering and Preparation

Prelude

Welcome

Acknowledgement of the Land:

Ahniin, We acknowledge that the land on which St. Paul's United Church is located is the traditional land of the Wendat and Anishinaabe First Nations.

Today, this meeting place is still the home to many Indigenous People from across Turtle Island, including Metis and our neighbours on Christian Island, Beausoleil First Nation. We are grateful to have the opportunity to worship and work on this land. We are all Treaty people.

As we gather, we give thanks for the life and witness of First Nations people. We give thanks for the land, the creatures, and the plants who share this place with all of us.

We commit ourselves to walking in a new way together: a path of healing and hope. Chi-Meegwetch

Call to Worship

The One who commands the clouds calls us to be poured out for others.

We can, by faith, be the waters of peace which quench the fires of hatred.

The One who creates mercy and hope, longs for a world of fair play and grace.

We can, by faith, let righteousness and justice be our constant companions.

The One who is with us in every moment composes a love-song for our hearts.

We can, by faith, sing this song through our lives.

So, let us worship here together in beloved community

Where all of us belong.

Opening Prayer

Reader: Debbie Just

Lighting of Christ Candle

- Prayer: As we light this Christ Candle, may it remind us that Christ is in us and in our world.
- **Sung Response:** MV62 There is Room for All
There is room for all in the shadow of God's wing
There is room for all sheltered in God's love
And I rejoice and sing, "my refuge and my rock, in whom I trust
There is room for all, there is room for all."

Peace of Christ

Song of Praise:

VU#315 Holy Holy Holy

Listening

Theme Conversation:

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The Story:

Revelation 4:1-11

Reader: Fran Hill

Reflection Chorus:

MV172v1 God Says

God says, "Be still so you may hear
the words I whisper in your ear.

If you will listen you will know

I'm with you always where you go."

Sermon: God is Good, All the Time

Responding

Life and Work of the Church

Offering of Thanksgiving

Offertory Music: Selection by Amanda Clarke

Offertory Response: VU#537 Your Work O God Needs Many Hands

Celebrations and Concerns

Prayers of the People Reader: Debbie Just

Going Forth

Song for the Journey: VU#310 God Who Touches Earth with Beauty

Extinguishing of the Candles

Blessing

Closing: She Walked in the Summer v4

Postlude