

# NORTHMINSTER UNITED CHURCH

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*Creation Time 3*

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## Music as We Gather

### Welcome

### Acknowledgement of the Land:

As we gather, we acknowledge that we meet and live on the traditional territories of the Mississauga Anishinaabe People. We give thanks for their care for the land over thousands of years and for their deep spirituality and honouring of the Creator and the creation. May we live with respect in God's creation and in harmony with our neighbours.

## Music as We Centre

### Lighting the Christ Candle:

Honouring the Importance of Humility

*Please stand for the Opening Hymn*

### Opening Hymn: VU236

“Now Thank We All Our God”

- 1 Now thank we all our God, with heart,  
and hands, and voices,  
who wondrous things has done,  
in whom this world rejoices;  
who from our mother's arms has blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.
  
- 2 O may this bounteous God  
through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts  
and blessed peace to cheer us,  
and keep us strong in grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ill in this world and the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God  
for all that has been given,  
the Son, and Spirit blest  
who dwell in highest heaven,  
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore;  
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore. < >

## **Life, and Work of the Community**

### **Call to Worship:**

One: The Holy calls us to honour the Spirit of Creation.

**All: Called to live with humility.**

One: The Holy calls us to move within the Spirit of Creation.

**All: Called to share with humility.**

One: The Holy calls us to respond to the Spirit of Creation.

**All: Called to love with humility.**

One: Let us worship!

**All: Let us worship together!**

### **Opening Prayer**

#### **Words of Assurance:**

One: The promise of the Source of all Creation is that we are  
never abandoned or separated from the One who created  
us.

**All: Through reflection, transformation, and action, we  
can be a transformative presence in Creation.**

**Old Testament Lesson:** Jeremiah 11:18-20 *Jaymes Winch*

<sup>18</sup> It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew;  
then you showed me their evil deeds.

<sup>19</sup> But I was like a gentle lamb  
led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me  
that they devised schemes, saying,  
'Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,  
let us cut him off from the land of the living,  
so that his name will no longer be remembered!'

<sup>20</sup> But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously,  
who try the heart and the mind,

let me see your retribution upon them,  
for to you I have committed my cause.

**Psalm Selection: VU724 – (from Psalm 1) Led by Jaymes Winch**

Refrain

T. Barrett Armstrong 1979

Bless - ed are those who fol - low the law of God.

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**Refrain: Blessed are those who follow the law of God.**

One Blessed are those who do not follow the counsel  
of the wicked, or linger in the way of sinners,  
or sit down among those who mock.

**All But their delight is in the law of God,  
and on that law they meditate day and night.**

One They are like trees planted beside streams of water,  
yielding their fruit in due season.

**All Their leaves do not wither,  
and whatever they produce shall prosper. R**

One As for the wicked, it is not so with them,

**All but they are like the chaff,  
driven away by the wind.**

One Therefore the wicked shall not be able to stand when  
judgement comes, nor sinners in the assembly of the  
righteous.

**All For God watches over the way of the righteous,  
but the way of the wicked will perish. R**

**Hymn: VU365**

“Jesus Loves Me”

1 Jesus loves me, this I know,  
for the Bible tells me so;  
little ones to him belong,  
in his love we shall be strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!  
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

2 Jesus loves me, this I know,  
as he loved so long ago,  
taking children on his knee,  
saying, 'Let them come to me.' R

3 Jesus loves me still today,  
walking with me on my way,  
wanting as a friend to give  
light and love to all who live. R < >

**Young at Heart Time:**

*"Carly Takes a Stand"*

**Gospel Lesson:** Mark 9:30-37

*Jaymes Winch*

<sup>9:30</sup>They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; <sup>31</sup>for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' <sup>32</sup>But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

<sup>33</sup>Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' <sup>34</sup>But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' <sup>36</sup>Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup>'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

**Responses:**

Reader: As we listen to the words from our scripture...

**All: may we hear the stories from our faith history that  
inspire us to embrace the promise and new life  
shared with us by the Source of all Creation.**

Reader: In the name of the Jesus, the Christ...

**All: Amen.**

**Meditation:**

*"Upside Down"*

**Music for Meditation**

*Please stand for the New Creed*

## The New Creed

One: Let us join together in a statement of our communal faith...

**All: We are not alone,  
we live in God's world.  
We believe in God:  
who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus,  
the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others  
by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the Church:  
to celebrate God's presence,  
to live with respect in Creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,  
God is with us.**

**We are not alone.  
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**Hymn: VU506**

**"Take My Life and Let It Be"**

- 1 Take my life, and let it be  
consecrated, all for thee;  
take my moments and my days;  
let them flow in ceaseless praise.
- 2 Take my hands, and let them move  
at the impulse of thy love;  
take my feet, and let them be  
swift and purposeful for thee.
- 3 Take my lips, and let them be  
filled with messages from thee;  
take my intellect, and use  
every power as thou shalt choose.

4 Take my will, and make it thine;  
it shall be no longer mine;  
take my heart, it is thine own;  
it shall be thy royal throne.

5 Take my love: and I will pour  
at thy feet its treasure store;  
take myself, and I will be  
ever, only, all for thee. < >

### **We Receive the Offering**

*Please stand for Offering Hymn*

**Doxology: VU541** “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”  
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 < >

### **Dedication of Our Gifts**

**An Affirm Minute**

*John Taylor*

**Prayers of the People and the Jesus Prayer:** (VU916,  
paraphrase)

**All: Eternal Spirit,  
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and that shall be.  
Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

**The hallowing of your name echo  
through the universe!**

**The way of your justice be followed  
by peoples of the world!**

**Your heavenly will be done  
by all created beings!**

**Your commonwealth of peace and freedom  
sustain our hope and come on earth.**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.  
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.  
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.**

**From trials too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

*Please stand for Closing Hymn*

**Closing Hymn: VU595**

“We Are Pilgrims”

- 1 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. < >

**Blessing as We Go Forth:**

One: Let us go from this place honouring the Source of all  
Creation.

All: **We go in celebration.**

One: Let us go from this place cherishing the gift of Creation.

**All: We go in love.**

One: Let us go from this place sharing the gift of Creation.

**All: We go in hope and peace.**

One: Let us go from this place healing the gift of Creation. Let us go in peace.

**All: Peace be with us! Amen!**

**Sung Blessing:**

“Go Now in Peace”

Go now in peace, never be afraid,  
God will be with you each hour of everyday.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,  
Know God will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love and show you believe.  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching you with love;  
Go now in peace, in faith and in love. Amen. < >

**Music as the Worship Service Concludes**

### **Regional Council Prayer Cycle**

As church, we are called to pray for each other and for our mission in the world for the week of September 22, 2024

***Consecon United Church***

*[East Central Ontario Regional Council]*

***THANK YOU TO THIS WEEK'S VOLUNTEERS for Sept 22***

Duty	Jaymes Winch
Elevator	Paula Winch
Greeters	Linda Munroe, Gale Osmond Mary Hess Northey, Carrie Varga
Scripture Reader	Jaymes Winch
Minutes for Mission	John Taylor
Congregational Elder	Mary Hess Northey
Sunday School Coordinator	Maggie Crawford
Nursery Coordinator	Gale Osmond
Sound	Alex Brunton/AI Bartholomew
Video	Nelson Pickett
Videographer	
Coffee Fellowship	Worship Committee



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FOOD BANK SUNDAY**- is held on the 2nd Sunday of each month. We invite you to bring items to support Kawartha Food Share. Boxes are located in Upper Wright Hall and back foyer [*exit to parking lot*]. If you wish to make a cash donation instead, there is a line provided on the offering envelopes. ***Please make cheques payable to: "Northminster United Church"***. This can be placed on the offering plate.

**Next date: October 13<sup>th</sup>**. We also accept Interac NUC Treasurer: [treasurenuc@gmail.com](mailto:treasurenuc@gmail.com)

**OUR NURSERY FOR OUR YOUNGEST CHILDREN** is along the main corridor across from the kitchen.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES** ... please contact Michele in the office to let her know you require offering envelopes. Email: [info@northminsteruc.ca](mailto:info@northminsteruc.ca) or Tel. # 705-748-4881.

**NAME TAGS:** If you need a name tag, please contact the office. I would be happy to make you one. Also stick on name tags are available, located on the table at the back of the church and on table at west entrance into Sanctuary.

**PASTORAL CARE:** If you know someone that is in the hospital that we should know about, please call the office and let us know. The hospital does not notify us & there is no longer access to a church list. If calling the church after hours, please leave a message 705-748-4881. Please keep in mind, we all need to take care of each other.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**...Church Photo Directory, October 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>. See Al Bartholomew for further details.

### **LOST & FOUND:**

There are 2 "light weight" jackets that have been left behind. They have all been here for quite some time. If you or someone you know has lost a jacket, please check them out. They are located on the coat rack by the elevator. If they aren't claimed by end of September, we will donate them to charity.

A new Volunteer Schedule List is being prepared and will be available soon. If you are interested in volunteering, we would love to know. It is never too late.....

If you are not on our weekly email list and would like to be, please let us know by sending us an email to: [info@northminsteruc.ca](mailto:info@northminsteruc.ca)

**TELECARE DISTRESS CENTRE OF PETERBOROUGH** is recruiting telephone volunteers. Telecare offers nonjudgemental active listening to worried, overwhelmed and lonely callers. For information about volunteer training and to apply, please visit [www.telecarepeterborough.org](http://www.telecarepeterborough.org). The next 50 hour training for new volunteers begins October 3rd, 2024.

Announcement deadline for the bulletin is Wednesday mornings. If you have an announcement you want placed in the bulletin, please “email” your submission to [info@northminsteruc.ca](mailto:info@northminsteruc.ca)