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Sunday, June 30, 2024 at 10:30 am

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Music as We Gather

Welcome

O Canada

VU524

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 Canada Day

Please stand for the Opening Hymn

Opening Hymn: VU326 "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

- 1 O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of God's grace.
- 2 Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace.
- 3 He speaks, and listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive,

the mournful broken-hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.

4 Hear him, you deaf; you voiceless ones,
your tongues again employ;
you blind, behold your Saviour comes,
and leap, you lame, for joy!

5 My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of your name. < >

Life, and Work of the Community

Call to Worship:

One: The Holy calls us to live actively and faithfully.

All: Even in our grieving, the Holy is with us..

One: The Holy stands by us when we least expect it.

All: We are blessed and loved.

One: Let us worship!

All: Let us worship together!

Opening Prayer

Words of Assurance:

One: The promise of a Pentecost driven faith inspires us to live
and love together in this complex world in which we find
ourselves.

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

Old Testament Lesson: 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 *Carol Doherty*

^{1:1} After the death of Saul, David returned from striking down the
Amalekites and stayed in Ziklag two days.

¹⁷ David took up this lament concerning Saul and his son
Jonathan, ¹⁸ and he ordered that the people of Judah be taught
this lament of the bow (it is written in the Book of Jashar):

¹⁹ "A gazelle lies slain on your heights, Israel.
How the mighty have fallen!

²⁰ "Tell it not in Gath,
proclaim it not in the streets of Ashkelon,

lest the daughters of the Philistines be glad,
lest the daughters of the uncircumcised rejoice.

21 "Mountains of Gilboa,
may you have neither dew nor rain,
may no showers fall on your terraced fields.^[b]
For there the shield of the mighty was despised,
the shield of Saul—no longer rubbed with oil.

22 "From the blood of the slain,
from the flesh of the mighty,
the bow of Jonathan did not turn back,
the sword of Saul did not return unsatisfied.

23 Saul and Jonathan—
in life they were loved and admired,
and in death they were not parted.
They were swifter than eagles,
they were stronger than lions.

24 "Daughters of Israel,
weep for Saul,
who clothed you in scarlet and finery,
who adorned your garments with ornaments of gold.

25 "How the mighty have fallen in battle!
Jonathan lies slain on your heights.

26 I grieve for you, Jonathan my brother;
you were very dear to me.
Your love for me was wonderful,
more wonderful than that of women.

27 "How the mighty have fallen!
The weapons of war have perished!"

Psalm Selection: VU853 (Refrain 2)

(from Psalm 130)
Led by Carol Doherty

Psalm 130

Refrain 2

*15th-century French processional
arr. by Healey Willan, alt.*

Unison



Out of the depths I cry to you, my hope is in your promise true.

One Out of the depths have I called to you.

O God, hear my cry!

All Let your ears be attentive to my plea for mercy.

One If you should keep account of what is done amiss,

O God, who could stand?

**All But there is forgiveness with you,
therefore we will honour you. R**

One I wait for you, God;

my soul waits, and in your word is my hope.

All My soul waits for God

more than the watchers long for morning,

more than the watchers long for morning.

One O Israel, wait in hope,

for with God there is love unfailing.

**All With God is great power to redeem,
to redeem you, Israel, from all your sins. R**

Please remain seated

Hymn: VU570

“Jesus’ Hands Were Kind Hands”

1 Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all,
healing pain and sickness, blessing children small,
washing tired feet, and saving those who fall;
Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all.

2 Take my hands, O Jesus, let them work for you,
make them strong and gentle, kind in all I do;
let me watch you, Jesus, till I'm gentle too,
till my hands are kind hands, quick to work for you.

Young at Heart Time:

“Saying Good-bye”

Gospel Lesson: Mark 5:21-43

Carol Doherty

^{5:21} When Jesus had again crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake, a large crowd gathered around him while he was by the lake. ²² Then one of the synagogue leaders, named Jairus, came, and when he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet. ²³ He pleaded earnestly with him, “My little daughter is dying. Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live.” ²⁴ So Jesus went with him.

A large crowd followed and pressed around him. ²⁵ And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve

years. ²⁶ She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse. ²⁷ When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸ because she thought, "If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed." ²⁹ Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering.

³⁰ At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who touched my clothes?"

³¹ "You see the people crowding against you," his disciples answered, "and yet you can ask, 'Who touched me?' "

³² But Jesus kept looking around to see who had done it. ³³ Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth. ³⁴ He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering."

³⁵ While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. "Your daughter is dead," they said. "Why bother the teacher anymore?"

³⁶ Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, "Don't be afraid; just believe."

³⁷ He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James. ³⁸ When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. ³⁹ He went in and said to them, "Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep." ⁴⁰ But they laughed at him.

After he put them all out, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and said to her, "*Talitha koum!*" (which means "Little girl, I say to you, get up!"). ⁴² Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished. ⁴³ He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and told them to give her something to eat.

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 as we live and love together in a Pentecost inspired faith.

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

All: Amen.

Meditation:

“Rise Up!”

Music for Meditation

Please stand for the New Creed

The New Creed

VU918

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: VU636

“Give to the Winds Your Fears”

1 Give to the winds your fears.
Hope and be undismayed.
God hears your sighs and counts your tears.
God shall lift up your head,
God shall lift up your head.

2 Through waves and clouds and storms,
God gently clears your way.

Wait for the time, so shall this night
soon end in joyous day,
soon end in joyous day.

3 Even though you do not rule,
yet heaven and earth and hell
proclaim God sits upon the throne,
and rules o'er all things well,
and rules o'er all things well.

4 Your everlasting truth,
O God, your ceaseless love,
sees all your children's wants, and knows
what best for each will prove,
what best for each will prove. < >

We Receive the Offering

Please stand for the 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

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 the Closing Hymn

Closing Hymn: VU671

“I Need Thee Every Hour”

1 I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord;
no tender voice but thine can peace afford.

R I need thee, O I need thee;
every hour I need thee.
O bless me now, my Saviour;
I come to thee.

2 I need thee every hour; stay thou near by;
temptations lose their power when thou art nigh. R

3 I need thee every hour, in joy or pain;
come quickly and abide, or life is vain. R

4 I need thee every hour; teach me thy will;
and thy rich promises in me fulfil. R < >

Blessing as We Go Forth:

One: Let us go from this place experiencing the wind and flame
of the Spirit of Pentecost.

All: We go in celebration.

One: Let us go from this place living within the Spirit of
Pentecost.

All: We go in love.

One: Let us go from this place sharing the Spirit of Pentecost.

All: We go in hope and peace.

One: Let us go in peace.

All: Peace be with us! Amen!

Sung Benediction:

“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 June 30, 2024

**Bethany United Church
Pontypool United Church**

Bethany-Pontypool Pastoral Charge

[East Central Ontario Regional Council]

THANK YOU TO THIS WEEK'S VOLUNTEERS for June 30th

Duty	Nelson Pickett
Elevator	Carol Murduff
Greeters	Al & Marg Renwick Pat Brunton, Joyce Armstrong
Scripture Reader	Carol Doherty
Congregational Elder	Mary Hess Northey
Sunday School Coordinator	Maggie Crawford
Nursery Coordinator	Gale Osmond
Sound	Alex Brunton/Al Bartholomew
Video	Nelson Pickett
Videographer	Ken Nash, John Taylor
Coffee Fellowship	Christian Education
Coffee Fellowship (July)	Mission & Outreach

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, we ask that you place money in a separate envelope clearly marked as “*Donation to Kawartha Food Share*” also include your name or envelope number. **Please make cheques payable to: “Northminster United Church”**. This can be placed on the offering plate. **Next date: July 14th**. We also accept Interac NUC Treasurer: treasurernuc@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 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.

Please mark your calendars, we go back to 10:00 a.m. Worship Service on Sunday, July 7th.

Sunday, July 28th 2024 we will be worshipping at “Lang Pioneer Village”. More information will follow as we get closer to the date.

Rev Kevin Derry will be away on Sabbatical beginning July 8th through to September 3rd. Please contact the office at 705-748-4881 and we will make sure your message gets to where it needs to go.