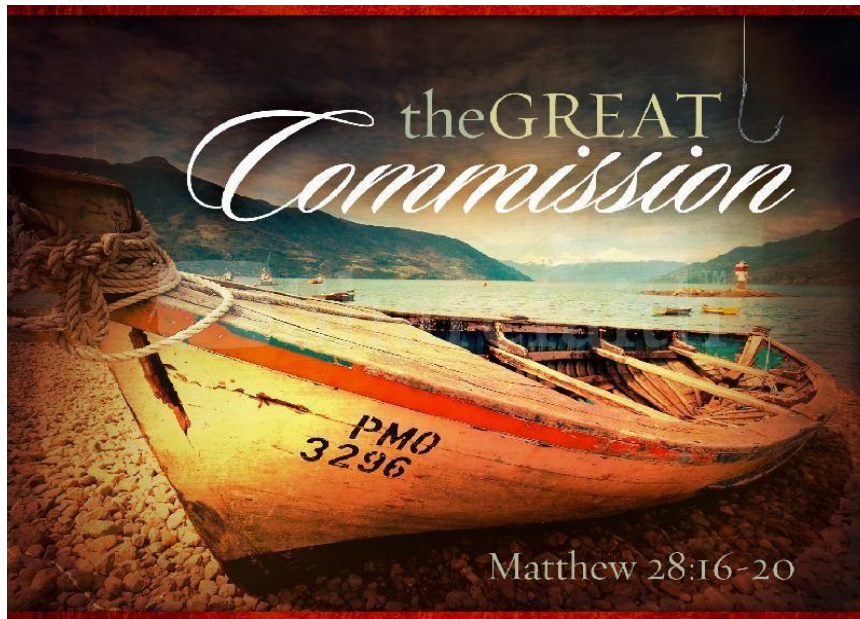


CHALMERS UNITED CHURCH



10:30 AM

SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2023

REV. DR. NADENE GRIEVE-DESLIPPE

"ONE FINAL THING"

COVID PRECAUTIONS

1. Self-screening guidelines: If you have Covid symptoms or are isolating due to close contact, you should not attend in person. Services are also live-streamed.
2. Masking is encouraged but no longer mandatory.
3. Many will still choose to remain masked for their own or for others' safety. We welcome this choice and urge everyone to respect individuals' choices - each according to their own personal situation.
4. Social distancing still continues in the sanctuary and MacCallum Hall.

Bold Text *indicates the parts that everyone reads together.*

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Andante sostenuto - F. Mendelssohn

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

The lands on which we are gathering today are the traditional territories of the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee Peoples. We acknowledge their enduring presence on this land, as well as the presence of the Huron-Wendat, Metis, Inuit and other First Nations from across Turtle Island. We deeply respect the many generations of people who have cared for this land and whose spiritualities, teachings and ways of knowing are closely tied to it. We seek to build right relations with these Peoples, to learn from them and to live together on this land with respect and gratitude.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

One: We light this candle to remind us that Christ is the light of the world and present in our midst.

All: May the life and words of Jesus enlighten us on our way.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Glory to God the Creator

All: who created light from darkness and order from chaos.

One: Glory to Jesus, Word made flesh,

All: born in humility, a threatened child, itinerant preacher, powerful healer, esteemed teacher, wanted man, Saviour and king.

One: Glory to the Holy Spirit

All: incarnate presence among us for all time and eternity. Glory to God, three in one and one in three: Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.

CENTERING PRAYER

Holy One, who is the author of creation and who is never more than a heartbeat away, we have gathered to worship. Open our eyes to new truths. Saving One, who was friend to the marginalized and who continues to encourage followers to their fullest potential, we have come seeking strength and encouragement. Open our ears to the cries of the lonely and needful. Present One, who remains ever near to inspire and guide, enrich our ministries with renewed commitment and passion. Holy One, Saving One, Present One bless us as we worship and use us conduits of grace. Amen

HYMN VU 312 *Praise with Joy the World's Creator*

- 1** Praise with joy the world's Creator,
God of justice, love, and peace,
source and end of human knowledge,
God whose grace shall never cease.
Celebrate the Maker's glory,
power to rescue and release.
- 2** Praise to Christ who feeds the hungry,
frees the captive, finds the lost.
heals the sick, upsets religion,
fearless both of fate and cost.
Celebrate Christ's constant presence:
friend and stranger, guest and host.
- 3** Praise the Spirit sent among us,
liberating truth from pride,
forging bonds where race or gender,
age or nation dare divide.
Celebrate the Spirit's treasure:
foolishness none dare deride.
- 4** Praise the Maker, Christ, and Spirit,
one God in community,
calling Christians to embody
oneness and diversity.
This the world shall see reflected:
God is One and One in Three.

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A WORLD ENGAGED WITH GOD

A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

All: **Holy One, Sacred Mystery,**
greater than words can express; whose love for us and all
creation exceeds our capacity to imagine, open our hearts and
minds. Amen.

READING

Matthew 28: 16 – 20

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN VU 320 *Mothering God, You Gave Me Birth*

1 Mothering God, you gave me birth
in the bright morning of this world.
Creator, source of every breath,
you are my rain, my wind, my sun.

2 Mothering Christ, you took my form,
offering me your food of light,
grain of my life, and grape of love,
your very body for my peace.

3 Mothering Spirit, nurturing one,
in arms of patience hold me close,
so that in faith I root and grow
until I flower, until I know.

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SERMON

Rev. Dr. Nadene Grieve-Deslippe

One Final Thing

COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT

DOXOLOGY

HYMN VU 543 *We Give Thee But Thine Own*

1 We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

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PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

HYMN VU 313 *God, Whose Almighty Word*

1 God, whose almighty word
chaos and darkness heard,
and took their flight,
hear us, we humbly pray,
and where the gospel day
sheds not its glorious ray,
let there be light.

2 Jesus, who came to bring
on your redeeming wing,
healing and sight,
health to the troubled mind,
sight to the Spirit-blind,
O now to humankind
let there be light.

3 Spirit of truth and love,
life-giving, holy dove,
speed forth your flight;
move on the water's face,
bearing the lamp of grace,
and in earth's darkest place
let there be light.

4 Blessed and holy three,
glorious trinity,
wisdom, love, might,
boundless as ocean's tide
rolling in fullest pride
through the world far and wide,
let there be light.

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BENEDICTION

Go empowered by the Spirit to make disciples of all nations and remember that you do not go alone. The grace of Christ, the love of God and the power of the Holy Spirit surround you; lighting the path before you and encouraging when your steps are faulty. Go in peace and joy. Amen.

CHORAL BENEDICTION

When you walk from here,
walk with justice, walk with mercy,
and with God's humble care

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POSTLUDE

Allegro - L. Raffy (1868-1931)

THANK YOU FOR TALENTS SHARED

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