

CHALMERS UNITED CHURCH



10:30 AM

SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 2023

REV. DR. NADENE GRIEVE-DESLIPPE

"MORE THAN PERFUNCTORY PERFORMANCE OF TASK"

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

Ar Hyd y Nos (All through the Night)

Welsh tune, arr. Barry L. Bobb

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: We have gathered together in community to worship God.

All: We have gathered to be strengthened by community.

One: Despite the challenges with which we live as individuals, church community and denomination, we trust our future is in the loving hands of God.

All: Let us worship in honesty, humility and hope.

CENTERING PRAYER

Loving God, who knows us better than we know ourselves, open our eyes to new truths. Saving God, who welcomed the lofty and the low, broaden our welcoming reach. Present God, who is never more than a heartbeat away, illumine the path before us and lead us. Loving God, Saving God and Present God, bless us now and always. Amen.

HYMN VU 402 *We Are One*

- 1** We are one as we come,
as we come, joyful to be here,
in the praise on our lips
there's a sense that God is near.
We are one as we sing,
as we seek, we are found;
and we come needful of God's grace
as we meet, together in this place.
- 2** We are one as we share,
as we share brokenness and fear,
in the touch of a hand
there's a sense that God is here.
We are one as we care,
as we heal, we are healed;
and we share warmth in God's embrace
as we pray together in this place.
- 3** We are one as we feast,
as we feast, peace becomes the sign;
in the bread and the wine
there's a sense of love divine.
We are one as we come,
as we feed, we are fed;
and we feel God's refreshing grace
as we meet at table in this place.
- 4** We are one as we hear,
as we hear, heart and hand unite;
in the word we receive
there's a sense that God is light.
We are one as we leave,
as we love, we are loved;
and we seek justice in God's ways
as we move together from this place.

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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

Hosea 5:15 - 6:6

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN VU 382 *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

1 Breathe on me, breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

2 Breathe on me, breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until my will is one with thine,
to do and to endure.

3 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

4 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die;
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

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SERMON

Rev. Dr. Nadene Grieve-Deslippe

More than Perfunctory Performance of Task

ANTHEM

All Things Bright and Beautiful - John Rutter

Choir only

v. 1, 2 & 3

Refrain:

All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful:
in love, God made them all.

1 Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colours,
God made their tiny wings:

2 The purple-headed mountain,
the river running by,
the sunset, and the morning
that brightens up the sky:

3 The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden,
God made them every one.

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COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT

DOXOLOGY

HYMN VU 543 *We Give Thee but Thine Own*

1 We give thee but thine own,
what e'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O God, 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 595 *We are Pilgrims (The Servant Song)*

- 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.

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BENEDICTION

One: God bless you with strength to stay the course, faith to inspire and sustain and transformative love that inspires and heals.

All: **Use us, O God, as servants and agents of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Go on your Way in Joy, my Friends

"Go on your way in joy, my friends!

Go on your way in joy, my friends!

Go on your way in joy, my friends!

Let your left foot say 'Glory!'

and your right say, 'Amen!'"

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POSTLUDE

Allegretto in G major - A. Corelli

THANK YOU FOR TALENTS SHARED

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Nadene was born and raised in Hamilton. She did her undergraduate work at McMaster and studied theology at Queen's. She completed a Doctor of Ministry at McMaster Divinity College. She has served pastorates in Manitoba and Eastern Ontario and retired on September 30, 2020 from Cooke's-Portsmouth Church, Kingston. She is married to Michael and they have three living daughters and are proud grandparents to three grandchildren.

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