

# Chalmers

of the United Church of Canada



10:30 AM SUNDAY, OCT. 6, 2024

REV. ELIZABETH GUILLAUME-KOENE

“CHANGING YOUR MIND”

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

#### 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.  
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.
3. Social distancing is encouraged in the sanctuary and MacCallum Hall.



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

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

### PRELUDE

Prelude on hymn tune *Penitentia*  
(*Here O my Lord, I see thee face to face*) - arr. by Daniel Burton

### 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 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: Around the world people gather to break bread and pour wine.

**All: We gather with them in heart and mind.**

One: Around the world the broken body is made whole.

**All: As part of that body we join in its unity.**

One: Around the world the Banquet of God is prepared for the table.

**All: We, who share in the banquet, come eagerly to be fed.**

One: Let us worship together, let us share God's bounty.

**All: Let us pray...**

- written by Rev Gord, and posted on *Worship Offerings*. <http://worshipofferings.blogspot.ca/>

#### CENTERING PRAYER

One: Almighty God, through Jesus you say to us that whoever wishes to be first must become the least and the servant of all.

We enter into your presence, knowing that your victory is won through the powerlessness of the cross. We come to pray that your church may be one. Teach us to accept humbly that this unity is a gift of your Spirit; through this gift, change and transform us and make us more like your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

— from the Canadian Council of Churches website

**HYMN VU 535** *For the Music of Creation*

**1** For the music of creation,  
for the song your Spirit sings,  
for your sound's divine expression,  
burst of joy in living things:  
God, our God, the world's composer,  
hear us, echoes of your voice;  
music is your art, your glory;  
let the human heart rejoice!

**2** Psalms and symphonies exalt you,  
drum and trumpet, string and reed,  
simple melodies acclaim you,  
tunes that rise from deepest need,  
hymns of longing and belonging,  
carols from a cheerful throat,  
lilt of lullaby and love song  
catching heaven in a note.

**3** All the voices of the ages  
in transcendent chorus meet,  
worship lifting up the senses,  
hands that praise, and dancing feet;  
over discord and division  
music speaks your joy and peace,  
harmony of earth and heaven,  
song of God that cannot cease!

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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 to hear afresh your Word to  
us today. Amen**

### READING

Matthew 21: 23 - 32

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

*Changing Your Mind*

**HYMN VU 533** *When in our Music God is Glorified*

- 1 When in our music God is glorified,  
and adoration leaves no room for pride,  
it is as though the whole creation cried  
Hallelujah!
- 2 How often, making music, we have found  
a new dimension in the world of sound,  
as worship moved us to a more profound  
Hallelujah!
- 3 So has the church in liturgy and song,  
in faith and love, through centuries of wrong,  
borne witness to the truth in every tongue,  
Hallelujah!
- 4 And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night  
when utmost evil strove against the light?  
Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight:  
Hallelujah!
- 5 Let every instrument be tuned for praise!  
Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!  
And may God give us faith to sing always  
Hallelujah!

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## COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

### OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT

#### DOXOLOGY

**HYMN VU 540** *Grant Us, God, the Grace of Giving*

Grant us, God, the grace of giving,  
with a spirit large and free,  
that ourselves and all our living  
we may offer faithfully.

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# THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

## PRAYER FOR UNITY

One: We give you thanks, O Father,  
for the life and knowledge which you have made known to us  
through your Son Jesus;  
yours is the glory for ever and ever.  
As the grain once scattered in the fields  
and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside  
are now united on this table in bread and wine,  
so, Lord, may your whole church soon be gathered together  
from the ends of the earth into your kingdom;  
for yours is the glory and power,  
through Jesus Christ,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

~ From the *Didache* (2<sup>nd</sup> century). Posted on David Beswick's Worship and  
Preaching website. <http://www.beswick.info/>

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

One: We gather around the Table in places far and near  
Eating Sourdough, Rye, Tortillas  
Crackers, Wafers, and Wonderbread –

**All: The body of Christ.**

One: Drinking the wine or the juice  
from handmade chalices and silver goblets,  
golden spoons and little mini cups–

**All: The blood of Christ.**

One: The bread and the cup unite us with all who would follow Jesus.  
This meal reaches back through the centuries.  
This table reaches around the world.

**All: Let us eat and drink with joy.**

~ written by Joanna Harader. Posted on her *Spacious Faith* blog. <http://spaciousfaith.com/>

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

One: Come to the table for all is ready.  
The gifts of God for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God**

## SHARING THE BREAD

The body of Christ broken for you.

## SHARING THE CUP

The blood of Christ shed for you.

## PRAYER

### LORD'S PRAYER

O Great Spirit, our Father from above,  
we honour your name as sacred and holy.  
Bring your good road to us, where the beauty of your ways in  
the spirit-world above is reflected in the earth below.  
Provide for us day by day - the elk, the buffalo, and the  
salmon. The corn, the squash, and the wild rice.  
All the things we need for each day.  
Release us from the things we have done wrong, in the same  
way we release others for the things done wrong to us.  
Guide us away from the things that tempt us to stray from  
your good road and set us free from the evil one and his  
worthless ways. May it be so! Amen.

from Matthew 6:9-13 - First Nations Version

### HYMN VU 459 *Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face*

- 1 Here, O my Lord, I see you face to face,  
here would I touch and handle things unseen,  
here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace,  
and all my weariness upon you lean.
- 2 Here would I feed upon the bread of God,  
here drink with you the royal wine of heaven;  
here would I lay aside each earthly load,  
here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.
- 3 This is the hour of banquet and of song;  
this is the heavenly table for me spread;  
here let me feast, and feasting, still prolong  
the fellowship of living wine and bread.
- 4 Too soon we rise, the symbols disappear.  
The feast, though not the love, is past and gone:  
the bread and wine remove, but you are here,  
nearer than ever, still my shield and sun.
- 5 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,  
yet, passing, points to that glad feast above,  
giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,  
the Lamb's great bridal feast of bliss and love.

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## BENEDICTION

As people who have been fed,  
go now to feed the world.  
As those who have been given hope,  
bring hope in place of despair.  
May God help us to do so.

And always remember  
that we are never cut off from the Source.  
We can always change our minds and turn towards God.

Because the Bread of Life, the True Vine is with us always.  
And so we always share in Hope's Banquet.  
Thanks be to the One who hosts the banquet! Amen

~ adapted from Rev Gord, and posted on Worship Offerings.  
<http://worshipofferings.blogspot.ca>

## CHORAL BENEDICTION

### HYMN VU 481 *Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

Sent forth by God's blessing our true faith confessing,  
the people of God from this dwelling take leave.  
The supper is ended, O now be extended  
the fruits of this service in all who believe.  
The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching,  
shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
God's grace did invite us, God's love shall unite us  
to work for the kingdom and answer its call.

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## POSTLUDE

*Plein jeu* - Jean Adam Guilain (early 18th century)

## THANK YOU FOR TALENTS SHARED

<b>Minister</b>	Rev. Elizabeth Guillaume-Koene is trained as an Intentional Interim Minister and Spiritual Director in the Reformed tradition. She lives in Bowmanville with her husband, three boys and a small menagerie of critters. She spends her spare time gardening, playing board games and at their cabin up north
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<b>Counter</b>	Mary Davis Little
<b>After the service</b>	you are invited to share in refreshments and fellowship in MacCallum Hall.

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