## CHALMERS UNITED CHURCH



THE REV. PHIL HOBBS "THANKS GIVING"

## 10:30 am OCTOBER 10, 2021

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Chalmers will be open for live in-person services following current Covid protocols. It will also be live-streamed and then posted to Chalmers' YouTube channel."

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

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

#### PRELUDE

Andante - Gustav Merkel

#### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND**

Since time immemorial, Indigenous peoples have occupied and cared for this land. In acknowledging this land, the traditional home of the Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee, we seek to rebuild right relations with First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples, to learn from them, and to live on this land with respect and gratitude for its bounty.

#### LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

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

#### Invitation to Worship

from Psalm 126

One: When God brought us back to our homeland it seemed to us a dream.

All: But then our mouths were full of laughter, and our tongues uttered shouts of joy.

One: Then they said among the nations: "God has done great things for them."

All: Truly God has done great things for us, and therefore we rejoice.

One: Restore our fortunes, O God, bring fresh water to dry places.

All: Those who sow in tears will reap with shouts of joy.

One: Those who go out weeping, carrying seed to be planted;

All: shall come home with songs of joy, bearing a bountiful harvest.

One: With grateful hearts, All: Let us worship God.

#### HYMN VU 242 Let All Things Now Living

1 Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God our Creator triumphantly raise; who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us, by guiding us on to the end of our days. God's banners are o'er us, pure light goes before us, a pillar of fire shining forth in the night; till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished, as forward we travel from light into Light.

By law God enforces, the stars in their courses and sun in its orbit obediently shine; the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains, the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.

We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing; with glad adoration a song let us raise: till all things now living unite in thanksgiving, to God in the highest, hosanna and praise.

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## A WORLD ENGAGED WITH GOD

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

#### **A PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

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.

Amen.

Joel 2: 21 – 27 Matthew 6: 25 - 33

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Thanks be to God.

#### **MESSAGE**

Thanks Giving

Rev. Hobbs

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & DEDICATION OF GIFTS, TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**DOXOLOGY VU 540** Grant us God the Grace of Giving

## COMMITTING TO THE FUTURE

#### PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND CONCERN

#### LORD'S PRAYER

trad.

## **HYMN VU 522** Give Thanks, My Soul, for Harvest

- 1 Give thanks, my soul, for harvest, for store of fruit and grain; but know the owner gives so that we may share again.
  Where people suffer hunger, or little children cry, with gifts from God's rich bounty may thankfulness reply.
- 2 Give thanks, my soul, for riches of woodland, mine, and hill; but know that gold and timber are the Creator's still.

  God lends to us, as stewards, abundance we might share, and thus provide earth's children the blessing of God's care.
- 3 Give thanks, my soul, for labours, that strength and days employ; but know the Maker's purpose brings toil as well as joy.
  Show forth, O God, your purpose; direct our will and hand to share your love and bounty with all in every land.

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#### **COMMISSIONING & BLESSING**

#### MUSIC AS WE MOVE INTO THE WORLD

#### **P**OSTLUDE

Voluntary in Bb (Allegro moderato) - W. Warder Harvey

## THANK YOU FOR TALENTS SHARED

Our Guest Minister Rev. Phil Hobbs has been preaching and

leading worship in our United Church of Canada for more than 50 years. After early retirement in 2010, Rev. Phil offered creative leadership to congregations in transition until the end of 2020 - serving congregations in Prince Edward County, Quinte West, Belleville and Peterborough. Phil lives with his wife Carol in Picton where they tend their flower gardens and enjoy spending time with their resident

granddaughter.

Co-Liturgist Linda Steinberg

Organist Juliet Milsome, Aurora Dokken

**Hymn Singers** Rob Bruce, Margot Craft, Bill Egnatoff,

Joan Egnatoff, Barb Fletcher, Al Fletcher, Juliet Milsome, Janice Moncrieff, David

Spooner, Anja Troje

Sound & Media Techs

Catie Doane, Brigitta Holzschuh

Technical Chair Nick Steinberg

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https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUql1tZaiRji18sFwjj2P2Q

**After the service,** feel free to have socially distanced conversations on the lawn. (Sorry no coffee or lemonade - just conversation.)

## **UPCOMING SERVICES**

Oct. 17 - Rev. Dr. William Morrow Oct. 24 - Janet McLeod Oct. 31 - Rev. Ian Mackay

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