

Welcome to the Worship Service of
St. Andrew's United Church, Chalk River, On.
7th Sunday after Pentecost.
10:30 am July 19, 2020

Welcome & Greeting

Draw the Circle Wide -- chorus 3x and two verses.

Chorus:

**"Draw the circle wide. Draw it wider still.
Let this be our song, no one stands alone,
Standing side by side."**

**1. God the still-point of the circle,
'round whom all creation turns;
Nothing lost, but held forever,
In God's gracious arms**

Chorus:

**2. Let our hearts touch far horizons,
So encompass great and small;
Let our loving know no borders,
Faithful to God's call.**

Chorus;

Candle Lighting:

**We light the Christ candle knowing that Christ's Love shines like a
beacon for those of us who are Troubled, who are anxious, who
are unsure, Welcoming us into the presence of our God, who
Loves us into fullness.**

Opening prayer

**Ever-present God, we are tested and tried, but just when we think
we have reached the limitations of our faith, you show us new
depths of your mercy and grace. You provide for us, and we are
grateful. Bless us in our worship today as we hum of joy we find
in your love.**

Hymn; "Shall We Gather at the River" --- Play 3x

Prayer of Confession

**_O Jesus, forgive us when we make excuses for staying stuck
where we are because it's comfortable, or it's the way we've
always done it.**

**Forgive us when we blame others for our failures and inaction.
Forgive us when we fail to recognize your healing in our lives.
Jesus, forgive us, and lead us in new and transformed lives. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

**God doesn't dither the way we humans do. God lifts our burdens,
forgives them, and moves on with us to brighter moments. Our
Gracious God sees us waiting, God hears our cries for mercy.
Place your hope in God, and be renewed. Amen.**

Hymn: "Blessed Assurance" VU – 337 Play 2X

Scripture Reading: Genesis 9:8-17

Sermon: "Prophecy of Hope"

Hymn: "A Light is Gleaming" VU – 82 2X

Life and Work of the Congregation

Offertory Hymn: VU - 543 - Play 1X

Offering Prayer

**O God, we offer these gifts of talent, time, and treasure for our
families, our neighbours near and far away. Multiply and magnify
these gifts with your love, we pray, as you magnify and multiply
our faith. Amen.**

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer VU – 959 Play 1X

Hymn: "I Feel the Winds of God" VU- 330 Play 2x

Threefold Amen

Commissioning and Blessing

Go Now In Peace VU – 964 Play 2x