

**Welcome to the worship service of  
St. Andrew's United Church, 40 Joseph St., Chalk River, ON  
10:30 am August 16, 2020**

**Welcome and Greeting**

Lighting the Christ Candle

**Oh, what a peaceful light!  
It is the light of the Christ in our midst!  
Filled with this light,  
Jesus bids us shine our own bright light,  
May it be so for each of. Amen  
(Jani Francis - UC Gathering)**

Call to Worship

**Holy Spirit, we gather as a community to pray,  
We gather seeking a new understanding  
Of your care for all of your people,  
Open our lives to new experiences of caring.  
Open our hearts to a greater love  
so all may be warmed by your presence,  
today and always. Amen  
(Jim McKean, UC Gathering)**

Hymn: "Open My Eyes... **VU #371** play 3X

Opening Prayer

**O God, our Creator,  
who started this world and gave life to it,  
Jesus Christ, our Saviour, who came to earth  
to live and die for us and teach us  
your lessons of love;  
Holy Spirit, the breath of life,  
who brings us comfort in our times of sorrow  
and gives us new beginnings;  
Creator, Saviour, Holy Spirit,  
in these ways you are part of us.  
helping us grow, and helping us live in grace and love.  
for this, we give you thanks, this day. Amen.  
(Doris Van Den Eeckhout – UC Gathering)**

Prayer of Confession

**O God of great abundance,  
we confess that we do not always use  
your gifts to the fullest. We hoard them. or we waste them.  
or we abuse them. Forgive us. Restore us. Renew us. Amen  
(Beth W Johnston , UC Gathering)**

Words of Assurance

**Take comfort in the assurance that God the Creator  
brings us new life, that the God of Wisdom encourages us,  
and that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ forgives us,  
accepts us, and guides us on our way, giving us too, the zealouslyness  
and intensity of the faith of the apostle of Paul.  
(Fern Gibbard, UC Gathering)**

Hymn: "Pass Me Not" **VU #665** - play 4X

Scripture Reading: John 10:1-16

Sermon: "To Be Sheep or Not To Be Sheep"

Hymn: "Amazing Grace" **VU #266** - play 3X

Life and Work of the Congregation

Offertory Hymn: "Praise God from Whom" **VU 541** -play 1X

Offertory Prayer:

**The currency we ask you to bless this morning, O God, is the currency  
of ourselves in time, in talent, and in treasure.  
Take what we freely give as living expressions of our faith,  
blessing us for your mission in the world. Amen.  
(Gord Dunbar. UC Gathering)**

Remembrance of Others **VU #400** -play 2X

Ministry of Music from Kurt Zhou

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer: Hymn: "The Lord's Prayer" **VU #960**

Hymn: "Make a Joyful Noise" **VU #820** -- play 2X  
Three fold Amen.

Commissioning

Go now in Peace **VU #964** - play 2X