

Worship Service
St. Andrews United Church, Chalk River
September 6, 2020

Welcoming

Candle lighting: In the name of Jesus who cares for all people

Opening hymn: VU 625 I Feel The Winds of God

Call to Worship: All May God be gracious to us and bless us,
May God's face shine over all the earth's people,
May God grant us understanding and courage.
May faith grow beyond our doubts.
God brings us together in unity of purpose.
May our circle grow as we welcome all people.

(Taught by Love by Lavon Baylor)

Opening prayer: Heavenly father, help us to listen and understand, both Your word for us and our sharing with one another. Keep us from being misled by popular claims and loud voices around us. May we not be unobservant guides to one another but rather be fully open to Your gifts and ready to take up Your call. Come to us now with healing and blessing. Amen

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Prayer of Hope: Forgive us, O God, for the sin we recognize in ourselves and the wounds we do not see. Show us how we have hurt one another and grant us courage to seek forgiveness and reconciliation. We seek Your mercy for the times we have willfully offended. Help us to put aside all actions and comments that are hurtful to others. Cleanse us for new life in Christ. Amen

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Assurance of Pardon: Thank You for forgiving us when we come to You honestly with burdened hearts. When we come to You asking for Your help, we are freed from the old, past, to a new life and a fresh start. Our sins are forgiven and God doesn't remember them any longer. Praise God. Amen

Hymn: VU 245 Praise the Lord

Thought For the Day: What a Turtle can Teach Us Scripture 1. from Psalm 67 Be gracious unto us, O God and bless us, and let that light of Your face shine upon us.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for You judge the peoples righteously and guide the nations of the earth.

The earth has yielded its harvest
And You our God have blessed us.

Your blessing O God be upon us.

May all the ends of earth praise You. Amen

Scripture 2: Matthew 15: 1-20 Good News Bible p 22 Ministry of Music

Message: Tradition

Hymn: Vu 593 Jesu, Jesu

Life and work of the Congregation

Offering of time, talents and financial gifts VU 543

Personal prayer with candles VU 2x Lord, Listen to Your Children

Pastoral prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn: We Are Marching in the Light of God 2x

We are marching in the light of God

We are marching in the light of God.

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We are marching, marching, we are marching, We are marching in the light of God.

We are marching, marching, we are marching, We are marching in the light of God.

Commissioning and Blessing

Three fold Amen

Go now in Peace: VU 964 2x