

Welcome to the worship service of
St. Andrew's United Church, Chalk River, Ontario
on this **4th Sunday of Lent**
March 14, 2021

Kindly enter this time centering on God, prepared to meet God.

GATHERING IN COMMUNITY

MUSICAL PRELUDE/INTROIT

“Breathe On Me, Breath of God” VU 382 (vs 2,3,1)

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

SCRIPTURAL GREETING/WELCOME

Psalm 107:1-3

CALL TO WORSHIP: (based on Ephesians 2:1-10)

Come, Lenten people seeking a relationship with God. Gather in community as faithful people of the covenant.

Feeling dead and drawn towards the desires of our flesh and by nature angry children we gather once again to know the great love of God who is rich in mercy and makes us alive in Christ. For by grace, we have been saved through faith and this grace is a gift of God, not the result of anything we do. We are what God made us, created in Christ for good works, which God prepared to be our way of life from the beginning of time.

CENTERING PRAYER: Creator God, who loves the world, we are here in this time and place ready to offer prayers of praise and thanks to you. We wait, anticipating your healing power in and through us. With minds open to your Word and souls ready to follow you, come be with us now! In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

POINT TO PONDER: Healing!

HYMN: “Open My Eyes” VU 371 verse 2

HEARING GOD'S WORD

HEBREW SCRIPTURES: Numbers 21:4-9

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

GOSPEL: John 3:14-21

MESSAGE: “Loving what God loves, as God loves.”

HYMN: “Open My Eyes” VU 371

RESPONDING TO GOD'S CALL

LIFE AND WORK OF THE CONGREGATION

OFFERTORY PRAYER: O Great Love, for the gifts we so often take for granted like shelter, food, and meaningful tasks to do; for steadfast love that awakens us and raises us from our sinful ways; for your word that guides and heals us we give you thanks. As we invest a part of all you entrust to us to further the ministries of the church, may we show to others the riches of your grace through Christ. Make this church a beacon of hope for the world. Amen

Preparation for Prayer: VU 400

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN: “Love Divine” VU 333

BLESSING



5th Sunday of Lent – Mar 21 @ 10:30am (Sanctuary/Live)

Palm Sunday – Mar 28th @ 10:30am (Sanctuary/Live)

Good Friday – Apr 2nd @ 3:00pm (Sanctuary/Live)

Easter Sunday (Communion) – Apr 4th @ 10:30am
(Sanctuary/Live)

“Rising with the Morning Star” Conversations take place
Saturday mornings @ 10:00am via Zoom. If you would like to
join us let Susan know.

@ the Lions Hall:

- Mon-Sat Breaky – 8:00 to 10:30 (a great place for walking out of the winter elements)
- Chicken Parm & Spaghetti Dinner – March 26th
\$15.00/\$5.00 2 sittings 4:30&6 call Charlene 613-589-2131
- Spring Craft/Vendor Market – April 11th (10-3)
- Jim Boulanger “Memorial” Pancake Breakfast –
April 18 (8-12) \$10.00/\$5.00 (613-589-2546)

@School House Museum on Saturdays in March 11:00-2:00
Chili/Hotdog “Drive-Thru and Takeout \$5.00