

Welcome to the **Annual Meeting** worship service of
St. Andrew's United Church, Chalk River, Ontario
in this **Season of Pentecost** - Aug 1, 2021

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

Light a candle welcoming the Light of Christ into your home, your family, your life!

GATHERING IN COMMUNITY

GREETING/MISSION STATEMENT: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

As Ambassadors for Christ our Mission is to worship God, nurture the faith, be a Christian presence in the Community by reaching out in awareness, fellowship, and love in action.

CHRIST CANDLE: VU 198 "Come, O Spirit" (v1,3)

WELCOME /ACKNOWLEDGEMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN MEMORIUM

CALL TO WORSHIP (Includes call to order for the meeting)

Know this: God's love has been poured abundantly into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, which has been give to us. Rejoice in the Spirit available to you. Worship with strength.

The Holy Spirit is with us. We are not alone. Praise be to God!

Elaine Bidgood Street, First Lutheran, Rugby and Leeds, North Dakota. Used with permission. Gathering Pentecost 1 2021

In the name of Jesus Christ, the one true head of the church, this gathering is called to order, for worship and for work appropriate to its time.

CENTERING PRAYER: Loving God, this space holds so many memories. We have wept together and laughed together. We have celebrated lives well lived and lives just begun. All of this, the joys and sorrows, have woven us together into a family of faith with you, O God, as our binding. Receive the prayers we offer this day. Nudge a place within our hearts that will be open to you. Fill us with your peace, then send us out, inspired to live your love.

Amen.

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HYMN: VU 312 "Praise with Joy"

ANNUAL MEETING

Opening Motions/Reports/New Business

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION: We listen, Gracious God, and we receive wise words. We reflect, and the meaning becomes clear.

We act, and the Spirit goes to work. Amen

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SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 4 1-6, 14-16

Herein is Wisdom.

Thanks be to God.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

MESSAGE: "God's Presence"

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

THANK YOU!

PROFESSION OF FAITH: A New Creed VU 918

COVENANTING

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" VU 400

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER:

BLESSINGS RECOGNIZED/SUNG RESPONSE: VU 549 "For all Your Goodness, God"

Hymn: VU 382 "Breathe On Me, Breath of God"

BLESSING

Blessing from the Moderator of the United Church of Canada,
Rev. Richard Bott, July 27, 2021

"May the God of Hope" VU 424 (verse 1)



Upcoming Services

Aug 1– 10th after Pentecost – Annual Meeting

Aug 8 – 11th after Pentecost – “Bread of Life”

Aug 15 – 12th after Pentecost – “Gifts & Giving Thanks”

Aug 22 – 13th after Pentecost – “Power, Wealth and the Armour of God”

Aug 29 – 14th after Pentecost – “Quick to Listen, Slow to Speak”

Sept 5 – 15th after Pentecost – “Challenged and Changed”

Community News

One more step along the world we go. We are in Phase 3. Restaurants, Hairdressers, Fitness Centers, Dance Studios, and more are opening up. Stay safe and pray that we remain vigilant in caring for others as we care for ourselves.