

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

A: Sept 5, 2021

B: Sept 12, 2021

C: Sept 19, 2021

D: Sept 26, 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:** 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.**

### **GATHERING HYMN:**

A: VU 286 "If You Will Trust in God"

B: VU 288 "Great is thy Faithfulness"

C: VU 299 "Teach Me God to Wonder"

D: VU 194 "Filled With the Spirit's Power"

### **WELCOME /ACKNOWLEDGEMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **WE ARE CALLED TO WORSHIP**

Come, everyone, God is calling us to this time of worship to listen and learn. The Creator seeks our common good, calls on us to be merciful and love everyone as we are loved.

**We come to sing praises and put our trust in God, prepared to serve in Christ's name. With the changing seasons the earth proclaims God's handiwork. We gather to renew our relationship with God and each other, seeking enlightenment and the renewal of our souls knowing God hears our prayers and answers us.**

**CHRIST CANDLE:** VU 202 "O Breath of Life" (v. 1,3)

**CENTERING PRAYER:** Creator God, Great Spirit, open us to the wonder of your presence. In wind, rain, soil and sky, in each ray of sunshine and shining star, in each waving branch may we see you reaching out to us with the invitation to rejoice in your glory. Christ of the changing seasons, Christ of the revolving earth, Christ of the cosmos: Change us, turn us, expand our awareness and bless us as you bless all creation with the joy of your heart. May our worship be a blessing to all. Amen.

Centering Prayer based on a prayer by Wendy MacLean, Christ U.C., Lyn, Ontario Used with permission.  
Gathering Pentecost 1 2021 pg 30

**POINT TO PONDER:** based on the scriptures for the day

### **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**

David Sparks, Summerland B.C. Used with permission. Gathering Pentecost 1 2021

**SCRIPTURE READING:** Herein is Wisdom.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### **MINISTRY OF MUSIC**

**GOSPEL READING:** Herein is Good News  
**Praise be to God.**

### **MESSAGE:**

### **HYMN:**

A: VU 625 "I Feel the Winds of God"

B: VU 286 "Bring Many Names"

C: VU 340 "Jesus, Friend of Little Children"

D: VU 582 "There's a Spirit in the Air"

### **OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" VU 400

### **PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER:**

**RECOGNIZING OUR BLESSINGS/SUNG RESPONSE:** VU 538

"For the Gift of Creation"

### **CLOSING HYMN:**

A: VU 606 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

B: VU 562 "Jesus Calls Us"

C: VU 584 "Through the Heart of Every City"

D: VU 591 "Jesus, United by Your Grace"

### **BLESSING**

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



### **Upcoming Services**

Sept 5 – 15<sup>th</sup> after Pentecost – “Challenged and Changed”

Sept 12 – 16<sup>th</sup> after Pentecost –

Sept 19 – 17<sup>th</sup> after Pentecost –

Sept 26 – 18<sup>th</sup> after Pentecost –

### **Community News**

#### **Lions Activities:**

The Lions Hall is open once again for Coffee Club.

Sept 12<sup>th</sup> – Jim Boulanger Memorial Breakfast