Welcome to the worship service of St. Andrew's United Church, Chalk River, Ontario on this Celebration of Communion Sunday, October 3, 2021

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

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: VU 312 "Praise with Joy"

WELCOME/ACKNOWLEDGEMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE: VU 336 "Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

WE ARE CALLED TO WORSHIP:

We gather on sacred ground under the great awning of sky that replenishes us,

on the rich earth that nourishes us. To once again listen to the voice that warms our hearts saying, "Come, follow me."

CENTERING PRAYER: Creator God, the stories of our faith remind us that you are manna from heaven and water from rock. You are the miracle of the loaves and fish. You are our Bread of Life. In this hour, fill us with your Spirit. Energize us with your songs. Make us thankful, aware, and inspired: thankful for the universe that feeds us, aware that food is a sacred gift given to all and yet still unavailable to many. May we be inspired enough to go from here and make a difference. Amen.

SPARK: What is your favorite grace?

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PSALM 139 VU 862

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

EPISTLE READING: Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

MESSAGE: Live Your Mission

HYMN: VU 556 "Would You Bless Our Homes"

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD RECOGNIZING OUR OFFERINGS AND BLESSINGS:

OFFERING/COMMUNION HYMN: VU 538 For the Gift of

Creation

COMMUNION LITURGY

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" VU 400

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Hymn: VU 507 Today We Are Called to Be Disciples

BLESSING

We do not go alone!

"May the Blessing of God" VU 429

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Upcoming Services

Oct 10 – Thanksgiving Sunday – Relationship with the Land

Oct 17 – World Food Sunday – Power Over or Power To Serve

 $Oct\ 24-22^{nd}\ after\ Pentecost$ — Healings, Cures & God's Grace

 $Oct 31 - 23^{rd} after Pentecost - Reformation$