# SEEKING GOD TOGETHER

**PRELUDE** Intermezzo 4 (Hermann Schroeder)

# WELCOME & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Acknowledgment of Territory/Every Child Matters
As we come into worship today, we acknowledge that we
reside and worship on the traditional lands of the people
of the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation...and
acknowledge their stewardship of this land throughout
the ages. Kathie Blackman

*INTROIT* The Play of the Godhead (Mary Louise Bringle, Robert J. Batastini)

## CALL TO WORSHIP

God our Creator is making all things new; and so we pay attention to all God is doing in the world.

Jesus, God's son, is showing us a new way; and so we follow Jesus, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

The Holy Spirit is inspiring new gifts in each of us; and so we listen in our heart for what the Holy Spirit is teaching.

May we join our hearts in worship of our one God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Sustainer of us all.

(from: Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell, executive regional minister American Baptist Churches of Wisconsin, Elm Grove WI <a href="http://rev-o-lution.org/category/worship-resources/">http://rev-o-lution.org/category/worship-resources/</a> and adapted)

\*HYMN Bring Many Names VU 268

Bring many names, beautiful and good, celebrate, in parable and story, holiness in glory, living, loving God. Hail and hosanna! Bring many names!

Strong mother God, working night and day, planning all the wonders of creation, setting each equation, genius at play: Hail and hosanna, strong mother God!

Warm father God, hugging every child, feeling all the strains of human living, caring and forgiving till we're reconciled: Hail and hosanna, warm father God!

Old, aching God, grey with endless care, calmly piercing evil's new disguises, glad of good surprises, wiser than despair: Hail and hosanna, old, aching God!

Young, growing God, eager, on the move, saying no to falsehood and unkindness, crying out for justice, giving all you have; Hail and hosanna, young, growing God!

Great, living God, never fully known, joyful darkness far beyond our seeing, closer yet than breathing, everlasting home: Hail and hosanna, great, living God!

## PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

Creator God, we confess that we have not always listened to you. We worry about trivial things and crowd out your cry. Christ, we confess that we're not eager to hear what you have to say to us. We think we know a better way to do most everything. Holy Spirit we confess that we've ignored you more than once today. Loving God, we confess our faults and ask you to speak to us again. Send your Spirit of Truth and speak to all that is false within us. We will receive your words and follow your ways. Amen.

(adapted from Kwasi Kena, **The Africana Worship Book**, Year C, edited by Valerie Bridgeman Davis and Safiyah Fosua, Discipleship Resources, 2008, 159.)

## **WORDS OF GRACE**

God stands ever ready to forgive. Seek, and you will find. Ask, and it will be given to you. Knock, and the door of forgiveness will be opened.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE Halle, Halle, Halle (Iona) VU 958 Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah! Halle, halle, halle-lu-jah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

# FINDING GOD TOGETHER

**SCRIPTURE** Romans 5: 1-5 Doreen Hiltz (The power of hope)

ANTHEM O Be Joyful in the Lord (Eleanor Daley)

GOSPEL John 16:12-15
(Presenting the Holy Spirit who, Jesus promises, is going to guide)

Come to the quiet...a time for reflection

SERMON All for One...One for All Rev. Evelyn McLachlan

\*HYMN God, Whose Almighty Word VU 313

God, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard, and took their flight, hear us, we humbly pray, and where the gospel day sheds not its glorious ray, let there be light.

Jesus, who came to bring on your redeeming wing, healing and sight, health to the troubled mind, sight to the Spirit-blind, O now to humankind let there be light.

Spirit of truth and love, lifegiving, holy dove, speed forth your flight; move on the water's face, bearing the lamp of grace, and in earth's darkest place let there be light.

Blessed and holy three, glorious trinity, wisdom, love, might, boundless as ocean's tide rolling in fullest pride, through the world far and wide, let there be light.

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# SHARING GOD'S LOVE OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

**OFFERTORY** Somebody's Knocking at Your Door (arr. Mark S. Arnold)

Bellissimo Handbell Ensemble with Jakob Robertson, Cajon

\*DEDICATION Grateful (Tom Tomaszek) MV 182 Grateful for the life you give us, thankful for your Holy Son, joyful in your Spirit flowing over all, O God of Love. Grateful for the Bread of Heaven, thankful for your Holy Word, joyful in your mercy flowing, we will praise you.

OFFERTORY PRAYER
PRAYER SHAWL BLESSING

PRAYER PRELUDE O God We Call, VU 411
O God we call, O God we call,
from deep inside we yearn,
from deep inside we yearn,
from deep inside we yearn for you.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN My Love Colours Outside the Lines (Outside the Lines) MV 138

My love colours outside the lines, exploring paths that few could ever find; and takes me in to places where I've never been before, and opens doors to worlds outside the lines.

My Lord colours outside the lines, turns wounds to blessings, water into wine; and takes me in to place where I've never been before and opens doors to worlds outside the lines. We'll never walk on water if we're not prepared to drown, body and soul need a soaking from time to time. And we'll never move the gravestones if we're not prepared to die, and realize there are worlds outside the lines.

My soul longs to colour outside the lines, tear back the curtains, sun, come in and shine; I want to walk beyond the boundaries where I've never been before, throw open doors to worlds outside the lines. **R** 

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## \* COMMISSIONING

\*SUNG BLESSING When You Walk from Here VU 298 When you walk from here, when you walk from here, walk with justice, walk with mercy, and with God's humble care.

**POSTLUDE** Prelude and Fugue in d minor (J. S. Bach)

## Welcome

Today we welcome Rev. Evelyn McLachlan. Rev. Evelyn was born and raised in Timmins, the youngest of six. She has her Hons. BA in Drama and English from the Univ. Of Windsor; graduated from Queens Theological Seminary in 1987. She retired at the end of 2017. Rev. Evelyn is looking forward to leading worship with Rev. Andy and AUC!



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"Isn't it wonderful that we have this Doctrine of the Trinity that speaks of God as a fellowship, a community. So, you have this wonderful image of the community, that is God, the Trinity". (Archbishop Desmond Tutu)

# **THE CREED** VU p. 918

We are not alone, We live in God's world.

We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life-beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God.

The United Church of Canada, General Council 1968 alt.

