

## **SEEKING GOD TOGETHER**

**PRELUDE** Minuet from Berenice (*Handel*)  
Joy Gannicott

## **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.* Pat Innes

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

God calls us to worship today.

**We are here!**

All are invited– the sick, the well, the believer, and the doubter.

**We are here!**

Wash us, O God! May we be cleansed by your holy love.

**We are here! Amen.**

(from: Discipleship Ministries, United Methodist Church  
<https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/worship-planning/>)

**\*HYMN** Come and Find the Quiet Centre *VU 374*

Come and find the quiet centre in the crowded life we lead, find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed: clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace, God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, face to face, making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun, raising courage when we're shrinking, finding scope for faith begun.

In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain, let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain: there's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care, in the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare!

## **PRAYER FOR RENEWAL**

**Holy One, why is it that we can grow so weary of doing what is right, yet always energetically do that which we know is harmful to us and others? We sow seeds of hurt and anger, and wonder why we harvest so much bitterness. We spend too much time comparing ourselves to those around us, and too few moments in following Christ's example. Rather than letting our sins gloat over us, Healing God, we would open ourselves to your mercy and grace. As you reach out to heal us with your forgiveness, may we embrace your love, your mercy, your grace for our lives. As you pour out your Spirit of gentleness, may we bring the peace of Jesus Christ to all the world. Amen.**

## **WORDS OF GRACE**

Sing praises to our God, faithful children. God has heard our prayers and made us whole.

**We will not be silent but will sing our joy to the One who has forgiven us and made us a new creation.**

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

(Prayer for Renewal and Words of Grace from Rev. Thom Shuman, Presbyterian Church, retired, Cincinnati OH)

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

## **FINDING GOD TOGETHER**

**SCRIPTURE** 2 Kings 5:1-14 Paula Hanna  
(The healing of Namaan of a skin disease by Elisha)

**GOSPEL** Luke 10:1-11, 16-20  
(The mission of the 70 who carried nothing.)

**GIFT OF MUSIC** Passepied (*Claude Debussy*)  
Peter Zsebik, alto saxophone

*Come to the quiet...a time for reflection*

**SERMON** Bathing in Humility  
Rev. Evelyn McLachlan

**\*HYMN** River Running in You and Me *MV 163*  
(River Run Deep) (vs 1,2,4,5,7)

River running in you and me, Spirit of Life, deep mystery,  
dancing down to the holy sea,  
River run deep, River run free.

River laughed on my birthing day, Wind and water joined  
in play soaked my soul in a shining spray,  
River run deep, River run free.

I stand on the edge, look-in' down, too scared to swim,  
afraid I'll drown – give me the courage to journey on,  
River run deep, river run free.

Journey on far from my home, River – break this heart of  
stone; teach me to love, make me your own,  
River run deep, River run free.

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River singin' in you and me, Spirit of life – deep mystery  
– catch us up in your melody  
River run deep, River run free.

### **SHARING GOD'S LOVE**

#### ***OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD***

**OFFERTORY** Serenade (Haydn)  
Joy Gannicott

**\*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** I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me VU 575

I'm gonna live so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!  
I'm gonna live so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

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I'm gonna work so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!  
I'm gonna work so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!  
I'm gonna pray so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna sing so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!  
I'm gonna sing so God can use me  
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

#### ***\* 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** Concerto in A minor. 1st Movement  
(Vivaldi-Bach)  
Joy Gannicott

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 University 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!



*The United Church of Canada acknowledges that its  
buildings and ministries, from coast to coast to coast,  
are on traditional territories of Indigenous People.*

## **AURORA UNITED CHURCH**

**Rev. Lorraine Newton-Comar & Rev. Andrew Comar**  
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**July 3, 2022**  
**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**11:00 AM**

“Humility is not thinking less of yourself. It's thinking of  
yourself less.” C.S. Lewis