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. Laurie Bentolila

CALL TO WORSHIP

God has called us to this place. What do you see? We see people who model for us God's joyous embrace of all people.

God has brought us to this place. What do you hear? We hear God's hope that we are able to see each person as our sister or brother.

God has challenged us to open our lives and hearts to others. What will you do?

We will do only one thing: welcome everyone in God's name!

*HYMN Jesus, Teacher, Brave and Bold VU 605

Jesus, teacher, brave and bold, let us serve you, young and old. Let us faith-filled workers be, all around, your wisdom see. Let us play and dance and sing, your goodness find in everything.

Jesus, friend, so strong and true, show us good, brave work to do. Show us those who need a friend, all things broken help us mend. Free our minds and stretch our care, teach us to serve you everywhere.

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

Living God, too often as we strive to make time and space in our lives of busyness to be with you, we find ourselves caught up with serving.

We forget that at times it is good to just sit and be. And then there are those times, when we find ourselves sitting, reading, learning and figure that that is all we are called to do as voices cry out for recognition, for help, for safety.

Help us while we are in your presence in this time and space; listening for your living word, feeling your hand hold our very being, serving you in the ways you have called us to be active in.

May we know your love surrounds each moment calling us forward in faith. Amen!

WORDS OF GRACE

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

GIFT OF MUSIC Dear Hate (Maren Morris) Frank and Sophie Pulumbarit

SCRIPTURE Luke: 10: 38-42 Bill Newman (Mary and Martha....who is doing the right thing?)

Come to the quiet...a time for reflection

SERMON That One Thing..... Rev. Evelyn McLachlan

*HYMN Worship the Lord VU 401

Refrain:

Worship the Lord (worship the Lord) worship the Father, the Spirit, the Son, raising our hands (raising our hands) in devotion to God who is one!

Raising our hands as a sign of rejoicing, and with our lips our togetherness voicing, giving ourselves to a life of creativeness, worship and work must be one! R

Praying and training that we be a blessing, and by our handiwork daily confessing: we are committed to serving humanity, worship and work must be one! R

Called to be partners with God in creation, honouring Christ as the Lord of the nation, we must be ready for risk and for sacrifice, worship and work must be one! R

Bringing the bread and the wine to the table, asking that we may be led and enabled, truly united to build new communities, worship and work must be one! R

Now in response to the life you are giving, help us, O Father, to offer our living, seeking a just and a healing society, worship and work must be one! R

SHARING GOD'S LOVE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY My Jesus, I Love thee (arr. T. Fettke) Lisa Kyriakides

*DEDICATION Grateful MV 182 (Tom Tomaszek)
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 Praise God for This Holy Ground MV 42

Refrain:

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! God's goodness is eternal

Praise God for this holy ground, place and people, sight and sound. **R**

Praise God in whose word we find food for body, soul and mind. **R**

Praise God who through Christ makes known all are loved and called God's own. **R**

Praise God's Spirit who befriends, raises, humbles, breaks and mends. **R**

Though praise ends, praise is begun where God's will is gladly done. **R**

* 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 It is Well With My Soul (arr. V. Labenske)
Lisa Kyriakides

Welcome

Today we welcome Rev. Evelyn McLachlan. Rev. Evelyn was born and raised in Timmins, the youngest of six. She has her Honours. 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!



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Rev. Lorraine Newton-Comar & Rev. Andrew Comar Music Coordinator—Margaret Heney

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William Barclay once said, "There are two great days in a person's life--the day we are born and the day we discover why."

And...of course, the "better part" is Jesus himself. We are people who profess to be followers of Jesus just like Martha and Mary, so that we can also say that we too have chosen the better part--as bringers of the vision of a Kin-dom of God that values all of God's people.

(From a 2016 sermon by Rev. Dr. Paul Tellstrom of the United Church of Christ.)