SEEKING GOD TOGETHER

PRELUDE When Morning Gilds the Skies (Joseph Barnby)
Lisa Kyriakides

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. Martha Bailkowski

CALL TO WORSHIP*

We gather for worship this morning, aware of many blessings.

Praise be to God!

We are blessed to be God's.

As our voices join in celebration and praise, may God's Spirit fill and transform us.

Come Holy Spirit! Make us your people; and remake us in your image.

Young and old and in-between, from near and far, at home or in this sanctuary,

we all belong here in this time of worship, for God is our true home.

Thanks be to God! Come, let us worship!

*HYMN Arise Your Light is Come VU #79

Arise, your light is come! The Spirit's call obey; show forth the glory of your God, which shines on you today.

Arise, your light is come! Fling wide the prison door; proclaim the captive's liberty, good tidings to the poor.

Arise, your light is come! All you in sorrow born, bind up the broken-hearted ones and comfort those who mourn.

Arise, your light is come! The mountains burst in song! Rise up like eagles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

Loving God, we come with eager minds and ready hearts. Help us to feel your presence in the words and music we use to celebrate today. Open our hearts to your love and our minds to the possibilities you offer us. Join us as a community of your people in thanksgiving, praise, and worship. Hear our prayers as we lift to you our deep desires for strength, wisdom and renewal. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF GRACE

Here is the Good News: God does not wait for our prayers before renewing our strength and our sight. God loves us now and yearns for us to be renewed in that love.

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

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SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 1:4-10 Brian Walter (God calls the prophet Jeremiah)

GIFT OF MUSIC I'll Walk with God (Nicholas Brodsky)
George Collins, soloist

SCRIPTURE Luke 13:10-17

(Jesus heals a bent-over woman on the Sabbath in the Synagogue)

Come to the quiet...a time for reflection

SERMON Is This a Good Time to Do Good?

The Rev. Tim Dayfoot

*HYMN O Master, Let me Walk With Thee VU 560

O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free; teach me thy secret, help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move with some clear, winning word of love; teach me the wayward feet to stay, and guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience; still with thee, in closer, dearer company, in work that keeps faith sure and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong,

In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way, in peace that only thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live.

SHARING GOD'S LOVE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD
OFFERTORY Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart
(Frederick C. Atkinson)
Lisa Kyriakides

*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 -6-

for your Holy Word, joyful in your mercy flowing, we will praise you.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise VU 264

Immortal, invisible, God only wise; in light inaccessible hid from our eyes; most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree, then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

Thou reignest in glory, thou rulest in light; thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight; all praise we would render, O help us to see 'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee!

* COMMISSIONING

Go into the world with a daring and tender love. Go in peace; the world is waiting. And whatever you do, do it for love and in the spirit of Jesus who is your Christ.

*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 His Eye is on the Sparrow (arr. Victor Labenske)
Lisa Kyriakides

Welcome

Today we welcome Rev. Tim Dayfoot to the pulpit of Aurora United Church. Tim's currently serving as retired supply at St. Andrew's United Church in Markham. Tim served at AUC in 2009 as supply. Tim and his wife Leta are still attached to our congregation by strong ties.



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

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People are illogical, unreasonable, and self-centered. Love them anyway. If you do good, people will accuse you of selfish ulterior motives. Do good anyway. (From the Paradoxical Commandments by Kent M. Keith)