# Welcome to The Port Dover – Woodhouse Pastoral Charge Woodhouse United Church and Grace United Church Worship From Home Service Sunday, February 6, 2022









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# 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany

#### We Gather to Worship

#### **Land Acknowledgement**

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

Joke – The Sunday School teacher was carefully explaining the story of Elijah the Prophet and the false prophets of Baal. She explained how Elijah built the altar, put wood upon it, cut a steer in pieces, and laid it upon the altar. And then, Elijah commanded the people of God to fill four barrels of water and pour it over the altar. He had them do this four times. "Now," asked the teacher, "Can anyone in the class tell me why the Lord would have Elijah pour water over the steer on the altar?" A little girl in the back of the room started waving her hand, "I know! I know!" she said, "To make the gravy!"

# Opening of Bible and Lighting of Christ Candle

#### Call to Worship

God's people have gathered for worship

and God is with us.

Strangers and friends,

familiar and new,

yet one in God's love,

and God is with us.

Feeling lost and hopeless,

feeling found and thankful,

and God is with us.

No matter where we've come from

or where we're bound

God is with us.

We come in gratitude and hope.

Come, and let us worship God.

#### Hymn – VU #562 Jesus Calls Us

Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult of our life's wild restless sea, day by day his clear voice sounding, saying, 'Christian, follow me.'

Long ago apostles heard it by the Galilean lake, turned from home and toil and kindred, leaving all for Jesus' sake.

Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store, from each idol that would keep us, saying, 'Christian, love me more.'

In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and pleasures, 'Christian, love me more than these.'

Jesus calls us: by your mercies, Saviour, may we hear your call, give our hearts to your obedience, serve and love you best of all.

## **Opening Prayer**

We praise you, O God, for your constant love and confess that our faithfulness is not always so constant. We come seeking to learn from you so that our lives might reflect your peace, your joy, your justice, and your mercy. Accept, O God, our grateful praise and heal our longing hearts for the sake of Jesus, our Saviour. Amen.

#### We Listen for God's Word

Time for the Young at Heart - How does a restaurant remind you of God?

Hymn - VU #401 Worship the Lord

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!

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!

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!

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!

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!

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!

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!

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!

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

O Lord, as we listen to the words of scripture this day, may we become more aware of your will for us in our time and place.

Amen.

#### Scripture

Psalm 138 Humble and lowly (James Taylor, Everyday Psalms) This is your home, your turf, your territory.

I am so glad to be here that I kiss the earth you walk on.

I fling myself into the dust, the floor of your dwelling.

I extend my arms to embrace your earth.

But you lift me up from my lowly position.

You take me up as your guest.

You make me one of your family;

you even give me your name!

You take me under your wing.

When I cry out, you cover me;

I benefit from your strength.

Foxes may lord it over the chicken coop, and squirrels over the sparrow's nest, but no creatures challenge the eagle's rule.

As the eagle soars above the fieldmice, so do you, Lord, rise above us mortals.

Daily duties keep us scurrying close to the earth.

But you watch over us from on high; you can see danger long before it draws near.

Troubles grow around us like tall grass but in the shadow of your outspread pinions, predators scatter like minnows.

You watch over me, because you have a place for me in your plans.

#### Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup> Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. <sup>3</sup> And they were calling to one another: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty;

the whole earth is full of his glory."

And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> At the sound of their voices the doorposts and thresholds shook and the temple was filled with smoke.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> "Woe to me!" I cried. "I am ruined! For I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have seen the King, the LORD Almighty."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. <sup>7</sup> With it he touched my mouth and said, "See, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away and your sin atoned for."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"

#### Luke 5:1-11

One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God. <sup>2</sup> He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup> He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

- <sup>4</sup> When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch."
- <sup>5</sup> Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets."
- <sup>6</sup> When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. <sup>7</sup> So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.
- <sup>8</sup> When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" <sup>9</sup> For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, <sup>10</sup> and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners.

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people." <sup>11</sup> So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

#### Anthem

#### Message

#### Hymn - VU #563 Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

Jesus, you have come to the lakeshore looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones; you only asked me to follow humbly.

O Jesus, with your eyes you have searched me, and while smiling, have spoken my name; now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me; by your side I will seek other seas.

You know so well my possessions; my boat carries no gold and no weapons; - you will find there my nets and labour. O Jesus, with your eyes you have searched me, and while smiling, have spoken my name; now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me; by your side I will seek other seas.

You need my hands, full of caring through my labours to give others rest, and constant love that keeps on loving.

O Jesus, with your eyes you have searched me, and while smiling, have spoken my name; now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me; by your side I will seek other seas.

You, who have fished other oceans, ever longed for by souls who are waiting, my loving friend, as thus you call me.

O Jesus, with your eyes you have searched me, and while smiling, have spoken my name; now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me; by your side I will seek other seas.

## We Respond to God's Word

# Offering

Chorus – VU# 549 For All Your Goodness God

For all your goodness, God, we give you thanks. Thanks for the food we eat, and for the friends we meet; for each new day we greet, we give you thanks.

## **Prayer of Dedication**

Extravagant God, we share these offerings, so that your light is revealed. We commit ourselves to your way of radical ministry. Keep our attention focused on the needs of others, so that we might always respond courageously and compassionately. We pledge our senses, our hearts, and our spirits to merciful outreach. Amen.

#### Minute for Mission

#### **Prayer of Thanksgiving and Concern**

#### **Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, `thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## We Take Christ's Message Into the World

# Hymn VU #567 Will You Come and Follow Me

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?

Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?

Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,

will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?

Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?

Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?

Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?

Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?

Will you kiss the leper clean,

and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean
in you and you in me?
Will you love the 'you' you hide
if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound
in you and you in me?

Christ, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow

# **Blessing and Sending Forth**

Let us go from this place of prayer to lives of prayer and action.

May we be ready to proclaim the Good News,

despite the obstacles in our way.

in you and you in me.

May our ministry set free those held captive and grant vision to those with failing imaginations.

May we stand firm and have courage as we live the Good News into reality. Amen.

Beth W Johnston, Hantsport P.C., Hantsport, N.S

# Closing of Bible and Extinguishing of Candle Benediction- Go Now In Peace

Go now in peace, never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day

Go now in faith, steadfast strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do

Go now in love, and show you believe; Reach out to others, so all the world can see

God will be there, watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith and in love. Amen, Amen, Amen

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We acknowledge our Creator and the world around us and our place within it. We acknowledge the many nations who call this land home. We acknowledge the Indigenous and non-Indigenous brothers and sisters who walked this land in the past and those who walk it today, this, the traditional and treaty lands of the Anishinaabek (Ahnish-innah-bek), Neutral, and Haudenosaunee (Ho-deh-no-shownee) peoples.

# Let's Celebrate

➢ Pastoral Charge Birthdays <</p>

Jim Hoover February 6

Patricia Forrest February 12

# Your Assistance is Needed...

Do you have stories or information to share?
The March-April Newsletter is being developed and you are invited to share content for the next newsletter.

Send your submissions to the office by email at <a href="mailto:garceunitedportdover@gmail.com">garceunitedportdover@gmail.com</a>

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## OFFICE IS OPERATING REMOTELY

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# **Announcement reminder**

Please submit announcements by end of day Tuesday

for inclusion in the weekly bulletin. Thank you!

Stewardship Seconds

February 6, Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

What prevents you from being as generous as you wish you could be?