

Sunday, September 13th, 2020 "Virtual Service"

~ Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost...Creation Time begins! ~

Worship Team: Rev. Dr. Pirie Mitchell, Dan Leaver, the Cooper family,

YouthQuest, Lucie Gilliland, Richard Yake

Music Team: Karen Schuessler, John McFall

VU = red hymnal Voices United Please sing along at home; we have provided the lyrics!

We Gather Together

Prelude: Chaconne (J. C. Fischer)

Karen Schuessler

Words of Welcome & Lighting of the Christ Candle

Cooper family

Land Acknowledgement:

Land acknowledgement: We acknowledge Attawandaron (Add-a-won-da-run) peoples, and other members of the Iroquois Nation and the Neutral Nation whose traditional lands we are gathered upon today.

We Approach God

Call to Worship (responsive)

Rev. Pirie & Congregation

Pirie: Listen! The Lord calls out to us, offering life!

Cong: Teach, lead, turn us to your ways, O God.

Pirie: Walk in the paths of God's commandments with delight.

Cong: Teach, lead, turn us to your ways, O God.

With our whole heart, we will turn to you and live!

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Rev. Pirie & Congregation

From the beginning until now, loving God, we have turned away from you, following lesser ways, pursuing a lesser life than a life offered to us in Christ. Yet you will not abandon us. You call out, warning and wooing us to turn, to return to you. Even when we fall away from the brothers and sisters of the church, you remain present with us. Help us to love as you love -wholeheartedly- until we are reconciled to you and to your neighbour. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

Hymn: This Day God Gives Me

VU 410 verses 1, 2, 3

- 1. This day God gives me strength of high heaven, sun and moon shining, flame in my hearth, flashing of lightning, wind in its swiftness, deeps of the ocean, firmness of earth.
- 2. This day God sends me strength to sustain me, might to uphold me, wisdom as guide. Your eyes are watchful, your ears are listening, your lips are speaking, Friend at my side.
- 3. God's way is my way, God's shield is round me, God's host defends me, saving from ill. Angels of heaven, drive from me always all that would harm me, stand by me still.

We Listen for God's Word

Learning with Children

Dan Leaver

The Lord's Prayer (everyone is welcome to recite at home) (VU page 921)

YouthQuest

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

Scripture: Genesis 50:15-21; Psalm 103:1-13

Matthew 18:21-35

Lucie Gilliland Richard Yake

Congregational Response (in unison)

For the word of God in scripture, among us, and within us, thanks be to God.

Special Music: Peace in the Valley (Dorsey) John McFall

Message: Who is entitled to be forgiven? Rev. Pirie

We Respond to God

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Hymn: Come to My Heart

VU 661 all verses

Refrain

VU 686 vs. 1, 2, 4

 Come to my heart, Lord Jesus; teach me to walk in your way.
 Come to my heart, Lord Jesus; come to my heart today.

Refrain:

Give me the peace and joy that only you can bring. Come to my heart, Lord Jesus; give me a song to sing.

Prayers of the People

Rev. Pirie

Hymn: God of Grace and God of Glory

- God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour your power; now fulfil your church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour.
- Lo, the hosts of evil round us scorn your Christ, assail your ways; fears and doubts too long have bound us; free our hearts to work and praise. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days.

 Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus; teach me to walk in your way.
 Answer my prayer, Lord Jesus; Answer my prayer today. Refrain

Fill me with love. Lord Jesus:

teach me to walk in your way.

Fill me with love, Lord Jesus;

fill me with love today.

 Set our feet on lofty places, gird our lives that they may be armoured with all Christlike graces, pledged to set all captives free. Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, that we fail not them nor thee.

Commissioning & Blessing

Rev. Pirie

God's commandments are an invitation to daily faithfulness. Love God and your neighbour every day, and you will fulfil all that God intends for you.

The grace of Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit fill you and the whole church until all things in heaven and earth are reconciled. Amen.

Congregational Response (sung): Listen, God is Calling

MV 97

Refrain: Listen, God is calling

through the Word inviting,

offering forgiveness,

comfort and joy. (Repeat)

Postlude: Sonatina, Op.36, No.6 (Mvt.1) (Clementi)

Karen Schuessler

WK Coffee Time:

Please stay tuned to hear who Glen Pearson or Jane Roy was speaking with this week!

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