

**7th Sunday After Pentecost
Sunday July 3, 2016**

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

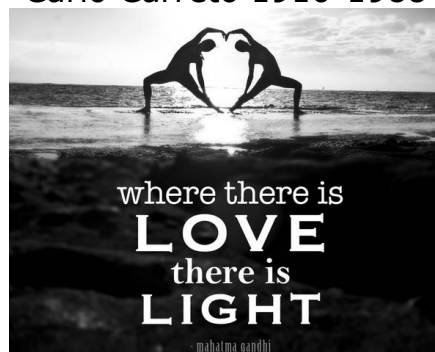
Kimbourne Park United Church is a safe place for all people to worship regardless of race, creed, age, gender identification, cultural background or sexual orientation.

We are a flourishing community of people, called together by God, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, to heal, learn and grow — spiritually, mentally, physically and emotionally — and to contribute our diverse talents, experiences, cultures and personalities, promoting justice and humanity within our community and throughout the world.

REFLECTION

Love will make demands on us. It will question us from within. It will disturb us. Sadden us. Play havoc with our feelings. Harass us. Reveal our superficialities. But at last it will bring us to the light.

Carlo Carreto 1910-1988



Our minister, Michael Cottrell is on vacation for the month of July. Today's worship has been created and will be lead by Nicole Bourassa-Burke

Pre-service Music and Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

One: As we gather to worship, we acknowledge that we gather upon the traditional territories of the Mississauga, Anishnabe, Haudenosaunee, and Wendat indigenous people, the original nations on this land who continue to cry out for justice.

Hymn: MV 212 "Sent Out in Jesus' Name"

Opening Words:

One: We are community. We care for one another. We challenge each other to be more. This is why we are here. This is why we gather. God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be. NBB

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Carol: *We light a candle,
 The Christ Candle is lit.
and enjoy the flickering light ,
the fragrance
and the warmth it creates.*

Women: But without the spark that ignites,
there will be no flame.

Men: ***Without the wax,
the source of power,
the wick will not burn.***

Carol: *Without the flame,
there will be no fragrance,
no warmth, no light.*

One: And so with us, Lord.
You are the catalyst that ignites us,
and the fuel that sustains us.

Carol: *You fill us with your fragrance
as you enter our lives.*

One: You empower us
to carry your flame in our hearts,

**ALL: to be the fragrance, warmth,
and light of your love,
in this dark world.**

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Opening Sentences

One: Source of All, we gather with the dust of the world clinging
to our bodies and to our souls.

**ALL: May this time and space allow us to brush ourselves
off and to see the beauty in and around us.**

One: We gather to experience the hope that creates new life.

**ALL: Let us find courage to face the endings that lead to
new beginnings.**

One: We gather because we seek illumination for the next
step.

ALL: And see our gifts and the gifts of others.

NBB

Act of Awareness

One: God of open doors and wide open paths, we live in
times of uncertainty and fear, shutting ourselves off from
others, creating division among your people and barring
their way to lives of security and fullness. Give us the
graciousness to follow Jesus' example of radical hospitality and
generosity that welcomes all in.

NBB

Hymn: "God Has Chosen Me"

God has chosen me,

God has chosen me to bring good news to the poor;

God has chosen me,

God has chosen me to bring new sight to those searching for
light:

God has chosen me, chosen me.

*refrain: And to tell the world that God's kingdom is near,
To remove oppression and break down fear,
Yes, God's time is near, God's time is near,
God's time is near, God's time is near.*

God has chosen me,
God has chosen me to set alight a new fire;
God has chosen me,
God has chosen me to bring to birth a new kingdom on earth:
God has chosen me, chosen me.

refrain

God is calling me,
God is calling me in all whose cry is unheard;
God is calling me,
God is calling me to raise up the voice with no power or choice,
God is calling me, calling me.

refrain

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The Peace

One: Mother Teresa said, "If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other." Let us take a moment to greet each other and remind each other that we are a part of each other's lives. The peace of God is with us.

NBB

ALL: Thanks be to God.

You are invited to share the peace with your neighbours.

**SCHOOLS OUT, SUMMERS IN,
LET THE FUN BEGIN!**

Invitation to the Children to Come Forward

Children of all ages are invited to come to the front.

Hymn: MV45 "You Are Holy"

CENTERING

Cathie: **A Blessing in the Dust**

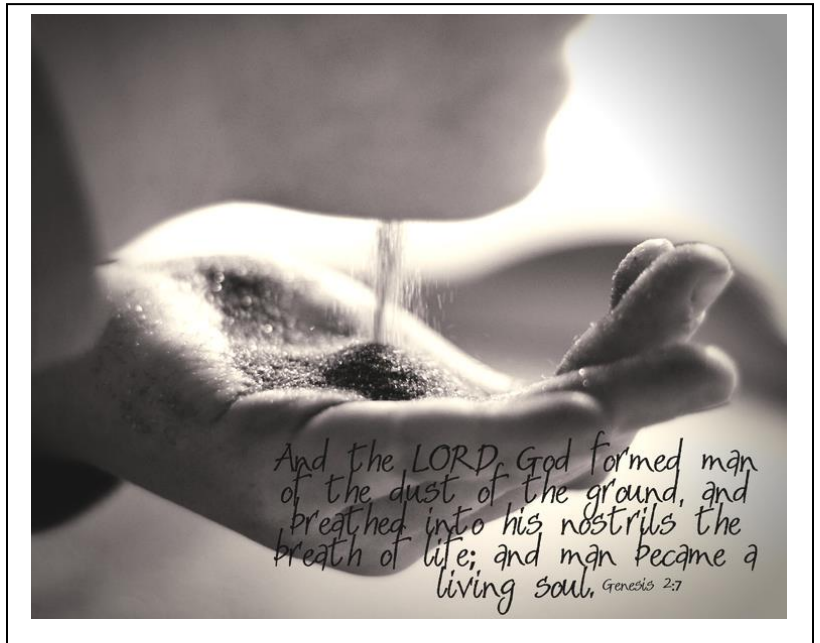
Jan Richardson

You thought the blessing
would come
in the staying.
In casting your lot
with this place,
these people.
In learning the art
of remaining,
of abiding.

And now you stand
on the threshold
again.
The home you had
hoped for,
had ached for,
is behind you—
not yours, after all.

The clarity comes
as small comfort,
perhaps,
but it comes:
illumination enough
for the next step.

As you go,
may you feel
the full weight
of your gifts
gathered up
in your two hands,
the complete measure
of their grace
in your heart that knows



there is a place
for them,
for the treasure
that you bear.

I promise you
there is a blessing
in the leaving,
in the dust shed
from your shoes
as you walk toward home—
not the one you left
but the one that waits ahead,
the one that already
reaches out for you
in welcome, in gladness
for the gifts
that none but you
could bring.

Meditative Music

EXPLORING

Readings from our biblical tradition

From the Letters of Paul: Galatians 6:1-5;9-10 The Message

Brenda: Live creatively, friends. If someone falls into sin, forgivingly restore him, saving your critical comments for yourself. You might be needing forgiveness before the day's out. Stoop down and reach out to those who are oppressed. Share their burdens, and so complete Christ's law. If you think you are too good for that, you are badly deceived.

Make a careful exploration of who you are and the work you have been given, and then sink yourself into that. Don't be impressed with yourself. Don't compare yourself with others. Each of you must take responsibility for doing the creative best you can with your own life.

So let's not allow ourselves to get fatigued doing good. At the right time we will harvest a good crop if we don't give up, or quit. Right

now, therefore, every time we get the chance, let us work for the benefit of all, starting with the people closest to us in the community of faith.

Gospel Acclamation: Celtic Alleluia

May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body.

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12

The Message

One: Later the Master selected seventy and sent them ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he intended to go. He gave them this charge: "What a huge harvest! And how few the harvest hands. So on your knees; ask the God of the Harvest to send harvest hands.

"On your way! But be careful—this is hazardous work. You're like lambs in a wolf pack.

"Travel light. Comb and toothbrush and no extra luggage."

"Don't loiter and make small talk with everyone you meet along the way.

"When you enter a home, greet the family, 'Peace.' If your greeting is received, then it's a good place to stay. But if it's not received, take it back and get out. Don't impose yourself."

"Stay at one home, taking your meals there, for a worker deserves three square meals. Don't move from house to house, looking for the best cook in town.

"When you enter a town and are received, eat what they set before you, heal anyone who is sick, and tell them, 'God's kingdom is right on your doorstep!' Sodom will have it better on Judgment Day than the town that rejects you

MV 110 First-born of Mary

First-born of Mary, provocative preacher, itinerant teacher, outsider's choice;

Jesus inspires and disarms and confuses whoever he chooses to hear his voice. (2X)

Contemporary Word: *There is Blessing in the Leaving*

Hymn: "Breathe the Breath of God" William Smith
 Breathe the breath of God and go into the world
 with courage to face all challenges.
 Breathing in and out and at that point of change
 the spirit of God is limitless (repeat)

OFFERTORY

Offertory Invitation

One: Hospitality is the Christian way. Hospitality is generously inviting the other into our homes, to our table and to be part of our lives. Real hospitality offers the best it can give. As part of this community you are now asked to offer the best that you can give so that we, in turn, can be generous with God's people.

... fundamentally, hospitality is simply love in action. It has much more to do with the resources of a generous heart than with sufficiency of food or space.

Offertory Hymn: VU684 "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

VU 540 "Grant Us, God, the Grace"

Grant us, God, the grace of giving,
 with a spirit large and free,
 that ourselves and all our living
 may we offer faithfully.

CELEBRATING/AFFIRMING

Prayers of the People

VU 959 The Lord's Prayer

SCATTERING

Announcements

Words of Mission

One: Let us never grow weary of doing what is right!

ALL: We will go to seek justice for all of God's children.

One: Let us not grow weary of leading others to the kingdom!

ALL: We will go to follow Jesus' example of gathering all into grace.

One: Let us not grow weary of speaking of hope and peace.

ALL: We will go to sow the Spirit's seed of life and hope.

Thom Shuman

VU 209 "Go, Make a Diff'rence"

Go make a diff'rence. We can make a diff'rence.

Go make a diff'rence in the world. (2X)

Blessing Words

Words of Blessing

One: And now may the blessings of life be upon us, and upon this congregation.

May the memories we gather here give us hope for the future.

May the love that we share bring strength and joy to our hearts,

and the peace of this community be with us until we meet again.

All: **Amen! May it be so!**

Sung Amen:

Postlude



KIMBOURNE PARK UNITED CHURCH

FRESH~UPBEAT~KID-FRIENDLY

HAPPENINGS



ACTION SUNDAY 2 IS JULY 17

Our first attempt at a **community breakfast** was a great success with 42 people turning out to help set-up, prepare, serve and clean-up for our friends and neighbours but our work has just begun.

On **July 17** we will need as many hands as possible to help in getting another breakfast served to our community. This is not just recognizing our Christian mission to feed the hungry but this is how we worship.

Cathie is once again our "volunteer coordinator" for this endeavour. Please see her to see where your talents can be used.

WHAT ARE THOSE MESH BAGS IN THE MAIN AISLE?

Those are "**pew bags**" and they are there to amuse and entertain children of all ages. Whether you are 6, 60 or 106 you are welcome to **take a bag to your seat** to engage your mind and your creativity during worship. If you don't finish your activity then put your name on the bag and pick it the next time you are here. If you can't find a bag that hasn't been claimed, no worry, plans are in the works to bring in more bags soon.

AUGUST IS KITCHEN CLEAN UP TIME

Our kitchen is in dire need of a thorough cleaning and August is the perfect time while the East End Children's Centre is closed for three weeks. Can you help? Could you offer an afternoon to join the cleaning crew? Speak to Nicole to let her know when you are available.

KIMBOURNE PARK'S BOARD MEETINGS are usually held on the third Monday of each month in the Jessie Scott Room from **7:30-9:00 PM and are open to everyone in the congregation.** The next meeting is scheduled for **August 15.**

GAMES NIGHT is the second Saturday of each month. This is a free, social event that is **open to everyone**, of any age. If you wish you may bring games and/or snacks to share. Food is available for a nominal cost. This month's games night will be next **Saturday July 10.**

NOW FOR SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT

In August we will be trying another experiment in worship as we move worship, except for Action Sunday on August 21, to mid-week. This will be unlike our regular services. We will come together to break bread, break open the word and be still to listen to the voice within and around us. These will be simple gatherings where we will explore contemplative practices and deepen our experience of The Divine.

In early July those interested in helping to shape our worship for August will meet. If you would like to be a part of this group speak to Nicole to let her know when you would be available for a meeting.

PREPARING FOR THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SALE: ITEMS NEEDED

We have started planning for our annual Christmas sale. In preparation for the big day **we are asking for donations** of sugar, flour, pickling salt, canning jars and lids and plastic take-out containers that can be used to package goodies. Please drop off the items in the designated area in the narthex. Stay tuned for updates. If you have any questions, please see Gillian or Shelley.

PIES~PIES~PIES

This is an ongoing fundraiser, with all proceeds going to the United Church's Mission & Service Fund. **Pies are available any Sunday** after service (talk to Suzanne Bond) **or by arrangement** through the church office (416-461-7200)

We currently have the following pies available:

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| Apple | \$10 |
| Bumbleberry | \$14 |
| Blueberry | \$14 |
| Cherry | \$12 |
| Strawberry-Rhubarb | \$14 |

Mini-pies: bumbleberry (\$5), apple (\$4) & strawberry rhubarb (\$5)