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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"Working together to feed God's people mind, body and spirit"



Reflection

**"There are only two most powerful situations-
being so small that you have nothing to lose and being so
big that you don't care what you lose!"**

Jasleen Kaur Gumber

Pre-service Music & Welcome

GATHERING

One: We acknowledge this sacred land on which Kimbourne Park United Church operates. It has been a site of human activity for 15,000 years. This land is the territory of the Huron-Wendat and Petun First Nations, the Seneca, and most recently, the Mississaugas of the New Credit. The territory was the subject of the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement between the Iroquois Confederacy and Confederacy of the Ojibwe and allied nations to peaceably share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes.

Today, the meeting place of Toronto is still the home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to have the opportunity to work in the community, on this territory.

Opening Song: Come, Now is the Time to Worship

Come now is the time to worship
Come now is the time to give your heart
Come just as you are to worship
Come just as you are before your God
Come

One day every tongue
Will confess You are God
One day every knee will bow
Still the greatest treasure remains
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Entry into the Celebration

One: Jesus calls all to an inclusive community. Yet he promises no greatness and no soft beds. Only to follow.

Carol: Let us celebrate the richness and diversity of life in the presentness of God. We light this flame to remind one another that within us is all of creation. Within us is God.

The community candle is lit.

ALL: We are the light of God. We will not hide our light but like the flame burn bright.

Opening Sentences

One: In our gathering together let us marvel at life, recognising its wonders and its signs.

ALL: The blowing wind, the rising and setting sun, the fruiting trees and drying grasses.

One: In their beginning, in their ending, they offer evidence of continuing creativity

ALL: In all creation, visible and invisible.

Adapt.P.Pinsent/ml

Act of Awareness

One: We receive fragments of holiness, glimpses of eternity, brief moments of insight.

Let us gather them up for the precious gifts that they are and, renewed by their grace, move boldly into the unknown.

S.M. Campbell/slt

Hymn: MV 46 "Bless the Lord"

The Peace

One: Let us take a moment to celebrate each other. The peace of God is here to stay.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

You are invited to share the peace with your neighbours.



Invitation to the Children to Come Forward

Children of all ages are invited to come forward to sit on the steps.

Hymn: MV 59 "Alleluia, Praise to God"

CENTERING

Music Meditation: David

EXPLORING

Reading from our biblical tradition

Psalm 22

A 21st century exploration by Francis Macnab. A Fine Wind Blowing/9-10.

*The writer of this Psalm is experiencing the 'absence' of God.
And longs for the 'closeness' once knew.*

Refrain: VU 793 **Help us, God of our salvation, for the glory of your name.**

One: God, we read that people in the past believed in you;
and you apparently gave them the strength they sought.
So why are you so distant from me?

Cathie: *There have been times when I have reached out to you,
but you looked the other way!
My disillusionment comes under criticism from so many people.
And those I thought were my friends, fail to support me.*

ALL: **Truth is, in my heart of hearts,
I know that you gave me life at the beginning,
and I felt you cared for me.
But now I need you to be closer to me,
because nothing makes much sense anymore,
and there are so many huge problems gathered around
me.**

Refrain: **Help us, God of our salvation, for the glory of your name.**

One: In all this tale of misery,
I am talking to you because you know my feelings and failings.

ALL: **And you will save me-
even from my own negative thoughts.
I continue to believe in your Presence
which is more powerful than I can really understand.**

Cathie: *You have planted within us the awareness
of a love which is eternal,
yet very important and personal.
I continue to believe that people are valued by you,
even when they fall away from you.*

ALL: **You let that happen:
but you go on feeling the pain
and you are ready to support them in their difficulties.**

Refrain: Help us, God of our salvation, for the glory of your name.

One: You are the Eternal God of us all:

Cathie: Regardless of my feelings of insignificance and inadequacy, I am in awe as I try to find a way to worship you.

ALL: One thing I can do.

I can be a carrier of your love to people all around me.

Refrain: Help us, God of our salvation, for the glory of your name.

Gospel Acclamation: Celtic Alleluia

Cantor: *How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

Inclusive Text

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt and put this question, 'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?'

Jesus said, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone.

'You know the commandments:

You must not kill;

You must not commit adultery;

You must not steal;

You must not bear false witness;

You must not defraud;

Honour your father and mother.'

And he said to Jesus, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my earliest days.'

Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him and said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.'

But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to the disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the realm of God!'

The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children, how hard it is to enter the realm of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the realm of God.'

They were more astounded than ever.

'In that case,' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?'

Jesus gazed at them and said, 'For men and women it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' Peter asked. 'We have left everything and followed you.'

Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children, and land-not without persecutions-now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

MV 108 "I Know Your Word"

I know your Word, your Word is a lamp to my feet, O God.

I know your Word is a lamp, O God, to light my path forever. (repeat)

Contemporary Word: Let Me Raise You Up

Solo: "A Rich Young Man"

Offertory Invitation

One: We give not to make our selves feel good. We give because giving is good. We give of our time our talent and our money so that others might experience the great goodness that we name God.

Offertory Hymn: VU562 "Jesus Calls Us"

Offertory Prayer:

ALL: Holy One, receive our offerings as a symbol that we as a people are committed to raising up one another in this place and beyond our front doors. Use our gifts so others might experience the good news of Jesus Christ. Amen May this be so!

Prayers of the People: Headlines For God and community to remember

Sung: "A New Creed"

music: A. Aitchison

We are not alone,
we live in God's world.

We believe in God:
who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others
by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:
to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

SCATTERING

Announcements

Words of Mission

One: As we prepare to leave this sacred space where we have worshipped together, let us return to our work enlivened and renewed.

The community candle is extinguished.

One: Where Christ walks,

ALL: We will follow.

One: Where Christ stumbles,

ALL: We will stop.

One: Where Christ cries,

ALL: We will listen.

One: Where Christ suffers,

ALL: We will hurt.

One: When Christ dies,

ALL: We will bow our heads in sorrow.

One: When Christ rises again in glory,

ALL: We will share his endless joy.

WGWG

MV 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! (Repeat)

Blessing Words

One: May God the star maker cradle and circle you.

May God the storyteller beckon and encourage you.

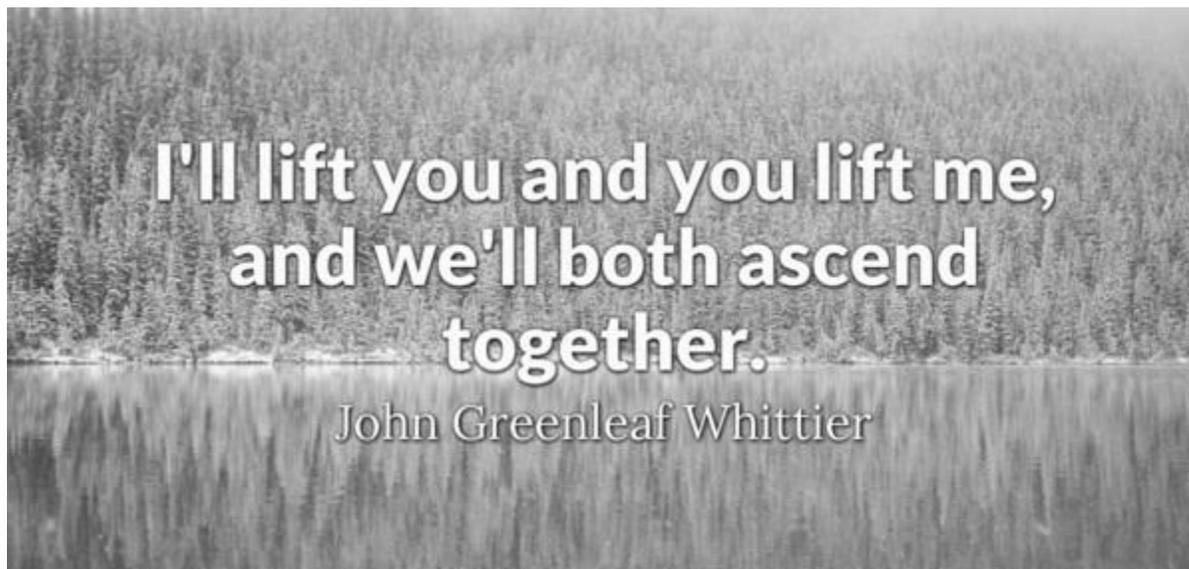
May God the life changer challenge you and cherish you.

May you walk in the light of God's love and laughter
all the moments of your nights and days.

VU 974

Amen, amen, hallelujah, amen.

Postlude





WELCOME TO KIMBOURNE PARK UNITED CHURCH

Whether you are here for the first time, the 101st time or have been a long standing member we are happy that you are with us this morning.

Our mission is simple-to feed God's people (that's you) mind, body and spirit."

Our doors are open wide and our table welcomes all.

Communion, usually held on the first Sunday of each month, is shared with everyone, of any age, of any belief.

*Should you wish to offer a monetary gift there are **blue envelopes** marked which can be used and placed on the offering plate.*

*If you have any questions about our community or just want to meet some of our members you are invited to **stay for coffee and "what-nots"** in the hall following the service.*

*To learn more about us visit our website **www.kpuc.org** and/or like our Facebook page **www.facebook.com/KimbourneParkUnitedChurch***

Next board meeting will be tomorrow **Monday October 15, 7:00 PM** in the Jessie Scott room.

Games Night is the 2ND Saturday of each month. The next Games Night is **Saturday November 10** 5:00-10:00 PM. Everyone is welcome.

Garden Together with Garden@Kimbourne

will continue to meet on **Sundays between 12:00 and 2:30** until hard frost forces us to tidy up for the winter.

NEXT SUNDAY IS ACTION SUNDAY

Thank you to **Gillian Shintani** who will coordinate the meal.

ACT!ON Sunday is not an optional part of being a member of KPUC. It is how you are a member of KPUC. ACT!ON Sunday is not instead of worship but how we worship., how we are the church in our own in community.

Be here for our next SUNDAY OCTOBER 21.



Many thanks once again to all who contributed last Sunday to our Thanksgiving Food Drive for our neighbour, **Glen Rhodes UC's food program.**

It was a great success with 60 lbs of onions, 15 lbs of carrots, 30 lbs. of potatoes, 8 lbs of apples plus an assortment of other vegetables from both KPUC and Garden@Kimbourne, not mention many bags of non-perishable goods.

clergy appreciation month

Did you know that October is **Clergy Appreciation Month**? It was introduced in the United States in the 1990's to thank ministers for the work they do. Let our minister, Michael, know that he is making a difference!

IT'S NOT TOO EARLY...

to be thinking about Christmas Marketplace.

Hard to believe but we have **less than 7 weeks** to our Christmas Marketplace on December 1st.

How can you help? **Speak to either Gillian or Shelley** to see how you can make this year's sale, which supports the efforts of OUR church, a huge success.



Or if you can't, our choir can still use you anyway. Whatever your skill level our choir is always looking for new members. Rehearsals are Thursday evening and Sunday before the service. Speak to our Music Director, David, for more details.



The Period Purse is a partner of KPUC. They collect feminine hygiene products and pack them in donated purses for distribution to menstrators in shelters in the GTA. If you wish to donate products or purses please see Nicole.

The Period Purse will be having a packing party here on **October 27**. For details visit their website www.theperiodpurse.com.

**This is the poem which Michael and Nicole used to open this week's
Mindfulness for Seniors group.**



Hokusai Says

Hokusai* says look carefully.
He says pay attention, notice.
He says keep looking, stay curious.
He says there is no end to seeing.
He says look forward to getting old
He says keep changing, you just get more who you really are
He says get stuck, accept it, repeat yourself as long as it's in
He says keep doing what you love.
He says keep praying.
He says every one of us is a child, every one of us is ancient
has a body.
He says every one of us is frightened.
He says every one of us has to find a way to live with fear.
He says everything is alive –shells, buildings, people, fish, m
Wood is alive.
Water is alive.
Everything has its own life.
Everything lives inside us.
He says live with the world inside you.
He says it doesn't matter if you draw, or write books.
It doesn't matter if you saw wood, or catch fish.
It doesn't matter if you sit at home and stare at the ants on yo
or the shadows of the trees and grasses in your garden.
It matters that you care.
It matters that you feel.
It matters that you notice.
It matters that life lives through you.
Contentment is life living though you.
Joy is life living through you.
Satisfaction and strength is life living though you.
Peace is life living through you.
He says don't be afraid,
Don't be afraid.
Look, feel, let life take you by the hand.
Let life live through you.

Roger Keyes

*Hokusai (1760–1849), is a Japanese artist and printmaker of the Edo period.