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5th Sunday of Epiphany

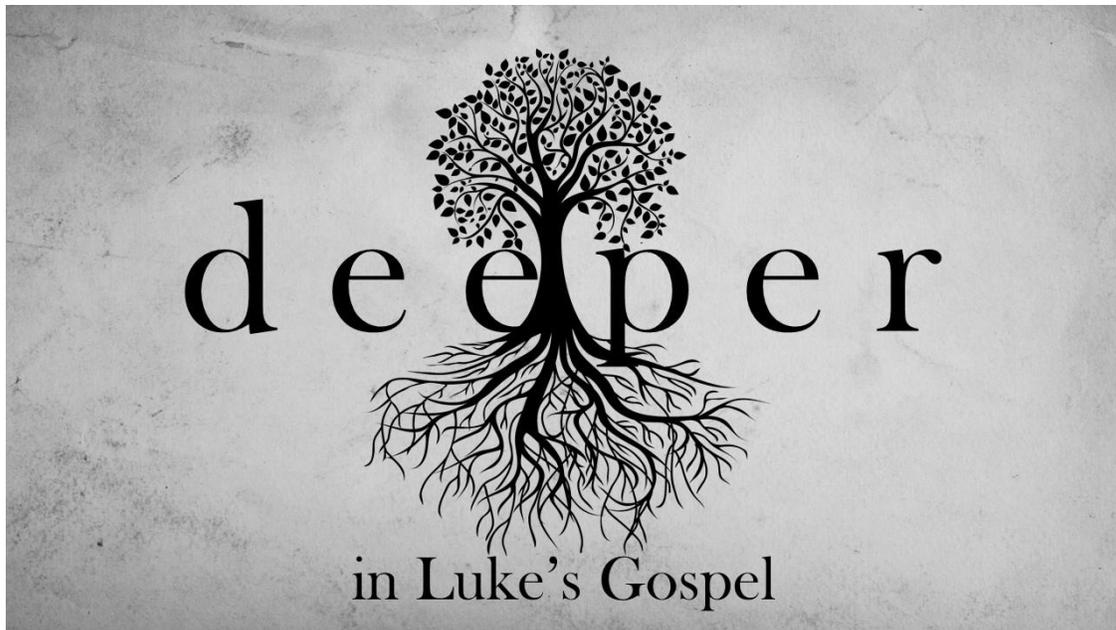
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**February 9, 2019
Fifth Sunday After Epiphany**

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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



Reflection

"As long as we consider the poor under the dominant point of view, namely, as handicapped capitalists, we understand nothing. The dignity of the poor lies in their being, not in their having and not having; the destruction of their dignity is the destruction of their solidarity with one another and their vision together."

Dorothee Soelle



Pre-service Music and Welcome

GATHERING

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.

You Don't Need Anything

Big man standing by the blue waterside
Mending nets by the blue sea
Along came Jesus He said
Simon Peter won't you leave your nets
And come follow Me

Chorus: You don't need anything
I've got ev'rything
But Peter its gonna be a hard way
You don't have to worry now
Come on and hurry now
I'll walk beside you ev'ry day

Life wasn't easy for the big fisherman
But still he followed till his dying day
Along came Jesus He said
Simon Peter there's a place in heaven
Where you can stay

Chorus (2X)

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One: We gather here to celebrate life's beauty and find healing for its pain;
to honour our kinship with each other and with the earth;
to create a more compassionate world, beginning with ourselves. G.
Kowalski

Carol: *Let us celebrate the richness and diversity of life in the presentness of God.*

The community candle is lit.

For gathering today in this sacred space, we light this flame.
For the opportunity to be together as a community, to remember the past,
to claim our future, to be alive in our present, we light this flame. Adapt.
Dorthee Sorrells

VU 563 "Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

Opening Sentences

One: Empowering God, when the road ahead looms endless,

ALL: empower us to be companions for one another along the road.

One: Inspiring God, when the road forward is blocked,

ALL: inspire in us creative responses that move us beyond the barriers.

One: Enabling God, when the road before us divides,

ALL: enable us to feel your presence luring us on.

Prayer of Awareness

Carol: *We pray. Dear God, help us to feel ourselves as integral parts of your continuing growth of meaning throughout the universe. Bind us in kinship to all that is. Amen. May it be so!*

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.

MV 61 "I Praise You, O God"

Children go downstairs for church school after children's time.

CENTERING

Cathie: "Lord of this Day"

Lord of this day and of our whole life thank you that each day we can change our ways to your way.

Thank you for the people we have met today; those who challenge how we think; those who accept us as we are; those who forgive us.

Thank you that their response to us helps us to accept ourselves and others and to find new ways to love our neighbours and ourselves. Corrymeela

Community: Entertaining Angels

Meditative Music: David

EXPLORING

Reading from our biblical tradition

VU 860 Psalm 138

Gospel Acclamation: Celtic Alleluia

Cantor: *Follow me, says the Lord, and I will make you fishers of people.*

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11 Inclusive Text

Jesus was standing one day by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round, listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank.

The fishers had gone out on them and were washing their nets. Jesus got into one of the boats - it was Simon's - and asked Simon to put out a little way from the shore.

Then Jesus sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

When Jesus had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.'

'Teacher', Simon replied, 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.'

And when they had done this they netted such a large number of fish their nets were beginning to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them.

When these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point.

Seeing this Simon Peter fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me, for I am a sinner.'

For Simon and all the companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made. So also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners.

But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is people you will be catch.'

Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed Jesus.

**MV 110 First-born of Mary, provocative preacher,
itinerant teacher, outsider's choice;
Jesus inspires and disarms and confuses
Whoever he chooses to hear his voice.**

Contemporary Word

MV 90 "Don't Be Afraid"

CELEBRATING

The Offering

One: Let us give our offerings of our time, our talent and our money. May they be symbols of our ministry.

VU 567 "Will You Come and Follow Me"

Offertory Prayer

ALL: May your blessing, O God, bring these gifts to life: new hope of healing; fresh ways of coping; a chance to rest; a chance to work; a way to live gracefully. Amen

Prayers of the People

VU 959 "The Lord's Prayer"

SCATTERING

Announcements

Words of Mission

One: Time has now come for us to leave this sacred place. As we do, may we embrace the challenges of our lives and our world...

Do not try to exceed your commission.

Go out to serve Christ without anxiety. Do what you can.

Entrust to others what you must.

And dedicate both your successes and your failures to the greater glory of God.

ALL: We are better than conquerors through the Christ who loves us. B. Prewer

MV 209 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 heart of life be deep within us, God the Christ be present in our history, and God the Spirit give us power, truth and peace.

VU 974 Amen! Amen! Hallelujah, amen!

Postlude

Announcements and Upcoming Events

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** 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*

Because the third Monday of February is Family Day the next board meeting will be held tomorrow **Monday February 11 @7:00 PM** in the Jessie Scott room.

Games Night is the 2ND Saturday of each month. The next Games Night is next **Saturday March 9 5:00-10:00 PM**. Everyone is welcome.

Our Next ACTION SUNDAY is next Sunday February 17

KPUC's commitment to food justice is ACTION SUNDAY. It is not instead of worship but rather how we worship on the third Sunday of every month. Being part of the KPUC community means that you are part of making every ACTION SUNDAY a success.

Let's work together to feed our neighbours like family!

2018 ANNUAL REPORT

Now available to download!

Hard copies for those not connected electronically are available in the narthex or on the table at the front.

If you are on our email list you will have received an electronic copy this week. Please bring/print off a copy of the report or bring a laptop to the ACM on February 24.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be held as part of our regular worship at **10:15 AM February 24**. Come with your annual report, your ideas and energy as we move into new ministry at KPUC in 2019/2020.

The board and the trustees are looking to re-vitalize our committees. If you want to be part of the group which steers our church into the next decade please speak to any member of the board today!

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You call us,
Wanderer of seashores and sidewalks,
inviting us to sail out of our smug harbors
into the uncharted waters of faith
to wander off from our predictable paths to follow You
into the unpredictable footsteps of the kingdom;
to leave the comfort of our homes and accompany
You into the uncomfortable neighborhoods we usually avoid.

As we wait,
in our simple, sometimes crazy,
constantly uncertain lives,
speak to us, Spirit of Grace:
of that hope which is our anchor;
of that peace which is our rock;
of that grace which is our refuge.

Bob Gibson; United Church of Canada.