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



Reflection: The Types of Love

“Eros, or sexual passion. The first kind of love was eros, named after the Greek god of fertility, and it represented the idea of sexual passion and desire...

- Philia, or deep friendship...
- Ludus, or playful love...
- Agape, or love for everyone...
- Pragma, or longstanding love...
- Philautia, or love of the self.

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.

MV 172 "God Says"

Opening Words

One: Come into this place of worship! This congregation is ready for you to fill this sacred space, to create its spirit, to generate its warmth, to kindle its light.

Carol: So let us celebrate the richness and diversity of life in the presentness of God.

The community candle is lit.

In the Spirit of God who shares divinity with us,
in the Spirit of God who shares humanity with us,
in the Spirit of God who unsettles and inspires us we light this candle

Opening Sentences

One: Be in love with life and so become friends and partners of God.

ALL: Now is the time to live a new life in balance with Life and with the Earth.

Act of Awareness

One: Marvel at life! Strive to know its ways! Seek wisdom and truth, the gateways to life's mysteries! Wondrous indeed is life!

Adapt. Rabbi Rami M Shapiro/ep

"All-Present, All-Visible, Source of All Life"

(Tune: 'Immortal, Invisible')

All-present, all-visible, Source of all life,^[L]_[SEP]

Within and around us, through joy and through strife.

Most Sacred, Eternal, You move on the earth,^[L]_[SEP]

You beckon and call forth new life and new birth.

Enlivened, extravagant, Sower of seeds,
 Abundant, abounding, Your mercy exceeds.
 Unhindered, unbridled, you shine forth your grace,
 That we may do likewise, revealing Your face.

You care for Creation, O Mother of all,
 Great mountains, clear waters, and flowers so small.
 The earth is Your temple, for all life to share,
 So help us be stewards of healing and care.

Transcendent, uncharted, and still close at hand,
 Encompassing people from near and far lands.
 Within each new moment, throughout life and death,
 Your praises are sung out from all that has breath!

SKlosterboer/p&f

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. The
 children will then go downstairs for Church School.*

MV 196 "We Will Take What You Offer"

CENTERING

Cathie: "O Source of Life and Love"

Bruce Southworth

O Source of life and love,
 Torn by desires to sit back
 and to enjoy the beauty of the world —
 to savor the blue skies and gentle days —
 and by desires to recast the world and to fight its evils —
 to save the world...

Torn by all those things that hurt and confuse
 and make no sense amid beauty —
 yet supported by all those things that heal and hold us —smiles,
 kisses, lakeside vistas
 and gentle waves, warm words...

We live in mystery.
 We live torn apart at times -

so much glory -
so much pain.

We live in faith —
faith in ourselves and each other —
faith that we can create bonds of the spirit
that proclaim we are not alone.

We have much health within us;
we can live through the heartache to new life.
So, for the grace of the world
and all the tumble, too,
this day we give thanks.

David: Music Meditation

EXPLORING

Readings from our biblical tradition

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia

Cantor: *Jesus said: 'I give you a new commandment: love one another, just as I have loved you.'*

Gospel: John 13:31-35

Inclusive Text

When Judas had gone Jesus said: 'Now has the Promised One been glorified, and in this One, God has been glorified.

'If God has been found glorified in me, I will in turn be glorified in God's own glory and very soon.

'My friends, I shall not be with you much longer. You will look for me, and, as I told the Jews, where I am going, you cannot come.

'I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another.

'By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

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: *I Would Do Anything For Love... But I Won't Do That...*

Solo: "Holy Ground"

Dave Billbrough

Responding to God's Love

Offertory Invitation

One: Fear seduces us into holding back. Faith invites us to step forward. We give of our time, our talent and our money having faith, letting go and giving so others might experience the good news of Jesus Christ

"Your Love is Alive"

The whole earth is filled the whole earth is filled
Filled with Your glory filled with Your glory

My whole life is filled my whole life is filled
Filled with Your glory filled with Your glory

Your love is alive

Your love is alive

Your love is beating inside of

My heart and my soul and my mind

Your love is alive

Your love is alive

Your love is leading me into

The Way and the Truth and the Life

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Offertory Prayer

ALL: Eternal God, you are the great "I Am." We approach you with openness. May we find joy as we freely give our prayers and presence, gifts and service to support the ministry and mission of the church. Amen! May this be so!

VU 959

"The Lord's Prayer"



SCATTERING

Announcements

Words of Mission

One: Let us step into this week's life with renewed awareness...

The community candle is extinguished.

One: May this ending be our beginning.

ALL: Let us step forward, again and again, to wonder, and to cherish, and to respond,

One: so that at day's end we will be content

ALL: knowing that we have given our all to life.

M. Hachten-Cotter

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. (2X)

Blessing Words

One: Blessed be.

In the name of all that is good and growing,

In the name of all that is loving and living,

In the name of all that fires our passion,

Blessed be.

VU 974 Amen! Amen! Hallelujah, amen!

Postlude

IF YOU DID NOT RECEIVE AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF THE MAY NEWSLETTER HARD COPIES ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE TABLES IN THE NARTHEX OR AT THE FRONT OF THE SANCTUARY.





Due to the holiday on the 3rd Monday, May's meeting was held on last Wednesday, May 15. Our board meeting will be **Monday June 17 @7:30 PM** in the Jessie Scott room.

JUNE GAMES NIGHT

Games Night is the 2ND Saturday of each month. The next Games Night is **Saturday June 8** 5:00-10:00 PM. Everyone is welcome.

Today is ACT!ON SUNDAY. Plan to stay!

This is the long weekend so we need as many of you as are available to make it a success. Let's work together to welcome and feed our neighbours like family!

Garden@Kimbourne

Spring is here and, weather permitting, regular **Garden Together Sessions have begun!** Sessions will run Sundays 12:30-3 and Wednesdays from 6 until 8 or dusk, whichever comes first.

Food Bank Donations for Glen Rhodes UC Food Program

Boxes to receive non-perishable food and health and hygiene products for the **Glen Rhodes Food Program** are located in the narthex (lobby) near the elevator door.

We also collect purses (large) and feminine hygiene products for **The Period Purse** which advocates for and provides products to marginalized menstruators in shelters and on the streets of Toronto

PIE SALES IN SUPPORT OF THE MISSION AND SERVICE FUND

Our pies, which are made by Kimbourne pie-makers are delicious and are available year-round. The proceeds go to the United Church's Mission & Service Fund which supports programs in Canada and around the world.

They are always available in a variety of flavours and in two sizes. They can be purchased baked or frozen to bake at your convenience at home. **Speak to Suzanne Bond** to order your favourite pie.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SATURDAY JUNE 8TH 3-7 PM

A BBQ TO WELCOME OUR NEW MINISTER, DANIEL REED.

Come out and meet Daniel, to enjoy our garden and then plan to stay for Games Night after dinner. IT WILL BE A FUN PACKED DAY. SO WHY WOULD YOU NOT COME?

*All of our capacity to love,
 God is more
 All of the compassion we show,
 God is more
 All of the mercy that wells within us,
 God is more
 All of the social justice we long for,
 God is more
 In all the ways that I am less,
 God is more.
 V. M. Kabat*