

Worship Outline
July 3, 2022
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements
Land acknowledgement

Candle Lighting

In these weeks after Pentecost, we journey with the Galatians and the Colossians and marvel at how the light of Christ shines in and through and with all of our days.

Hymn: MV 115 “Behold, Behold I Make All Things New” (2X)

Gathering Words

Bound together by the Spirit of the Holy One,

We endeavor to take care of one another.

We arrive curious and open to the family of God

We are invited to live in community:

Bearing one another’s burdens, rejoicing in each other’s gladness, and being transformed by the slow work of mutual accountability. We give God thanks, for we need not journey alone!

Opening Prayer *responding to Psalm 66*

God, we join all the earth in making a joyful noise!

In your goodness we find glory, and we offer our praise.

Your ways are awe inspiring. Confronted by your powerful love, those who would do harm can lose their nerve, and all of Creation can be heard singing.

We come here to see from a new angle how you move in this world.

We hear of the time you turned the sea to dry land, and the people crossed the river on foot. We hear of how you keep watch and care for the nations, how you call rebellious hearts to think of each other and not just themselves.

Bless our God, it is written. Indeed, God, you are blessed, and from you comes every blessing. How grateful we are to be among the living, to be guided in our journey, to raise our voices in praise. Amen.

Hymn: VU 716 “My Life Flows On” (Vs. 1, 2, 4)

Theme Time: Blessings of the Journey: Monday Morning Walks
from 945 Waddington to 2020 Estevan Road

Scriptures:

Galatians 6:7-16 *you reap what you sow; sow in the Spirit*

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20 *the mission of the 70 who carried nothing*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church

And let us give thanks

Reflection

Hymn: VU 595 “We Are Pilgrims”

Offering and Offertory Hymn: “Service Song - Offering”

Prayers of Acknowledgement and Reconciliation

Passing of the Peace

Hymn: VU 468 “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

Communion:

*In the sacrament of communion the ordinary things of life —water, bread, wine—
point beyond themselves to God and God’s love,
teaching us to be alert
to the sacred in the midst of life.*

*This is not the table of Sands Funeral Home, Brechin, or the United Church of Canada, or the
worldwide church. It is Christ’s table, and all are welcome at this table. Welcome, friends and
relations. Gathered here for this feast, we find nourishment for the journey we are on. The Holy
One who walked with our ancestors walks with us now and will walk with the children of the
years to come.*

*In the air we breathe,
in the whistle of wind,
in the slap of waves on the shore, we give you thanks for your presence.*

*In the laughter of children and the songs of our elders, we give you thanks for your presence.
Lift up your hearts, be they light or heavy, soaring or breaking, or all these things at once.*

We offer our hearts to God.

Let us honour our Creator and give thanks.

It is right to show honour and give thanks to our God.

Let us pray,

*Creator and Giver of all life, Source of love, we thank you for all your gifts. You brought
creation to life and sent prophets to awaken us to your great dream – a dream in which everyone
is treated with dignity and love, justice and mercy, grace and hospitality. We praise you for
elders and prophets, visionaries and leaders, teachers and preachers, all who have shared the
great truth of your love with us.*

*We give thanks for the life and teachings of Jesus, who was Love in Human Form, who showed
us, in womb and tomb, cradle and cross, your Great Heart of Love.*

*With the creatures who fly, who swim, who run, who crawl, the rocks, trees, soil, and waters,
with all creation, we creatures who are human raise our voices to you:*

*God, power of divine love,
your mercy shines like light through all creation.*

Blessed is the one who brings your compassion to the earth. Guide us, we pray.

*As we gather at your table, we remember that Jesus feasted
on his last night with his friends.*

*He took a loaf of bread, gave thanks, opened it, and offered it to them, saying:
Whenever you feast together, remember me.*

*Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks, he passed it to them, saying:
Whenever you drink of this cup together, remember me.*

Creator God,

we remember your boundless love, shown to us in Jesus Christ.

Therefore we offer you our praise,

as we proclaim the great mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come anew.

Great Spirit, unite us at this feast. May it strengthen us to live the resurrected and reconciled life of Christ in creation.

At this time, we remember those who are in particular need

of your renewing and reconciling action:

Those whose lives and communities have been impacted by injustice, trauma, violence, destruction, oppression and domination. We remember that colonialism is not over, it's taken a different shape. Slavery is not over, it's taken a different shape. War and genocide are not over, they have taken a different shape. Keep our hearts, minds and hands open to these realities, that we might see how we can be part of your kingdom's response of love in this life. Bless the hearts, minds and hands of all leaders, that they might see the need for a change in their systems, and choose to bring loving change in their use of power.

Jesus showed us to live in to your kingdom. How grateful we are for this guidance and grace. And so gathering all of our prayers into one, let us pray together an adaptation of the Prayer that Jesus Taught:

Loving God, close as breath, may your name be kept holy.

**May your day of justness and integrity come,
and may everyone walk your path of peace.**

By your grace we have what we need.

**Show us mercy when we fall short,
and help us to be gracious to others.**

Times of trial will not weaken our faith, nor will evil overcome us.

For we live in your world, follow you, and worship you, every day, forever. Amen.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Come, for all is ready.

Jesus Christ, the bread of life.

Amen.

Jesus Christ, the cup of blessing.

Amen.

Prayer after Communion

For this feast we have shared, we thank you, God. Grant that what we have done and have been given here may so put its mark on us that it may remain always in our hearts. Grant that we may grow in our understanding and practice of love, and that ours may be lives of faithful action guided by the Great Spirit, in Christ's name. Amen.

Sending Forth/Benediction

Let us go and extend to others the love that has been extended to us. Christ sends us and goes with us! Amen.

Sung Response: "Service Song - Leaving"

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