

Forest Hill United Church
'open doors, open hearts, open minds'



World Communion Sunday October 4, 2020 10 a.m.

WELCOME to worship!

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At Forest Hill United Church, we acknowledge that our church is built on ancestral, traditional and unceded Wolastoqey land.

Forest Hill United Church is a safe place for people to gather, regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background, family status, sexual orientation and gender identity.

Gathering

Prelude:

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Introit:

MV 79

**Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving,
Spirit, open my heart.**

Welcome

Centering Prayer

Call to Worship:

What a tremendous day! We gather to celebrate!

**With people from around the world,
we join as partners on a journey.**

We sing thanksgiving! We sing hope!

We are the church, strong and resilient in Christ.

With one voice,

we proclaim God's inclusiveness.

With one voice,

we gather around the world today.

Laura Turnbull, Penticton, B.C.

Gathering Prayer: (All)

God, Great Host, we come today to the table of fellowship knowing that the table extends well outside these four walls. Our communion fellowship includes Anglicans, Presbyterians, Methodists, Lutherans, Roman Catholics, the United Church of Christ, and so many other denominations. Our arms of welcome extend outside of Fredericton to all of Canada, the United States, Great Britain, Africa, Argentina, and every spot where Christ's sacred supper is shared. Thank you for being with us on this most wonderful day and connecting us across the globe. Amen.

Laura Turnbull, Penticton, B.C.

Opening Hymn: Come In, Come In and Sit Down VU 395 V1,2,4

A New Creed

VU 918

**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.**

Special Music: One Bread, One Body

VU 467

Prayer of Confession

Promise of Assurance

Exploring

Words from Our Bible:

Genesis 14: 18-20

Hebrews 5: 10

Psalms 116 P836

John 2

One: In this is the word of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God**

Reflection:

Instrumental Hymn of Reflection:

When We Gather at the Table

MV 198

Responding

Minute for Mission

Reader May Houston

Presentation of our Gifts

Communion:

Preamble ...

Invitation to the Table

God is with us!

We are not alone!

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy Mystery that is Wholly Love ...

Sanctus and Benedictus (VU 932)

Holy, holy, holy are you,

God of power and might

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the one who comes in your name.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

And as we gather around this table, we pray together, for our community and for the world ...

Prayer that Jesus Taught

**Our Father/Mother in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
You, who does not lead us into temptation
but delivers us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and for ever.
Amen.**

Remembering Jesus at Table (Institution Narrative) ...

In sharing this meal, we live out the mystery of our faith:

Memorial Acclamation (VU 933)

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

The gifts of God for the people of God. The table is ready; let us share in communion.

Prayer After Communion

Let us join together in prayer as we ask for the Spirit's blessing:

**In the power of love, O Spirit, may you bless what we
have partaken of this day. May the bread we were fed
feed our passion for loving-kindness. May the grape juice
we drank empower us to drink deeply of your love for
each and for all. May the act of coming together as one at
Christ's table motivate us to come together with all your
creation for love. Bless us with grace and with faith as
disciples of the Way. Amen.**

Gord Dunbar, Kincardine P.C., Kincardine, Ont.

Closing Hymn: May the God of Hope Go with Us VU 424

Announcements

Sharing the Light

Commissioning and Benediction:

Choral Amen: VU 298

**When you walk from here,
when you walk from here,
walk with justice, walk with mercy,
and with God's humble care.**

Postlude: Sent Forth by God's Blessing VU 481