

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



8th Sunday after Pentecost,
July 31, 2022 10 a.m.



WELCOME to worship!

Gathering

Prelude:

Welcome, Acknowledgement & Announcements:

Lighting of 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.**

Call to Worship:

God of the past who whispered in the prophets' ears;
we are here to thank you.
God of the future, who is building your kin-dom in our midst:
we are here because we trust you.
God of the present who, in the giftedness of our diversity,
creates us to be one people:
we are here to praise you.
God of life that surprises us when we find it within us:
we celebrate your grace.
Thom Shuman

Gathering Prayer: (All)

**Generous Creator, imaginer of the earth in all its rich
diversity, You invite us to come as we are, to receive the
gift of abundant life.
Rabbi Jesus, storyteller, You invite us to come as we are,
to sit at your feet, to still our hearts and listen.
Enlivening Spirit, rule-breaker, You invite us to come as
we are, to join the feast, the dance of God. Amen**
Cara Heafey, UK

Opening Hymn: Dear Mother God VU 270

Intergenerational Time: The "Junk" Drawer

Prayer that Jesus Taught: Paraphrased by Sarah Dylan Breuer

**Loving Creator
we honour you, and we honour all that you have made.
Renew the whole world in the image of Your love.
Give us what we need for today,
and a hunger to see the whole world fed.
Strengthen us for what lies ahead;
heal us from the hurts of the past;
give us courage to follow your call in this moment.
For your love is the only power,
the only home,
the only honour we need,
in this world and in the world to come.
Amen.**

Hymn of Praise: Just As I Am VU 508

Prayer of Confession:

**God of love, we confess our lack of trust in you
and in your grace.
We confess that we would rather busy ourselves
with things of little worth than spend time with
you and others who seek to be your disciples.
Forgive us when we resent the grace that has been
received by others.
Forgive us when we give up too easily and miss
the opportunity to embrace your grace.
Restore us to right relationships with you and with
one another.
Strengthen us so that we can be bearers of grace
in Jesus' name. Amen.**
Beth W Johnston, Bridging Waters P.C., Nipawin, Sask.

(a time of silent prayer)

Words of Assurance:

Exploring

Words from Our Bible:

Hosea 11: 1-11

Psalm 107:1-9,43 VU 831 Part One

Luke 12:13 -21

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

All: Thanks be to God

Hymn of Exploration: All Who Hunger VU 460

Reflection: Rich Fools?

Special Music: Can't Buy Me Love by Lennon, McCartney

Responding

Presentation of our Gifts

Sung Response: Work for a World MV 127

But with God the world is turned upside down
the poor are embraced and the lost they are found
Let's work for a world where all people are free
where it's good to feel good about God
loving you and me.

Prayers of Our Community:

Sung Response: When Hands Reach Out Beyond Divides MV 169

When hands reach out beyond divides
and hope is truly found,
each chain of hate will fall away
and bells of peace shall sound,
and bells of peace, of peace shall sound,
and bells of peace shall sound,
each chain of hate will fall away
and bells of peace shall sound.

Commissioning and Sharing the Light:

Closing Hymn: Shadow and Substance MV 44

Choral Amen: Peace Be with You MV 215

Peace be with you, peace forever,

peace be with you, my friends.

Till we meet again, may God be with you.

Peace, peace, peace.

Postlude:

Land Acknowledgment

At Forest Hill United Church, we acknowledge that
our church is built on ancestral, traditional
and unceded Wolastoqiyik (wolas-to-qiyik) land.

Declaration of a Safe Place

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.

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