

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



Trinity Sunday June 7, 2020 10 a.m.

WELCOME to worship!

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Please share the following phone number with your vulnerable friends. If you have any need for any reason call 1-844-462-8387

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 156

**Dance with the Spirit early in the mornin'
walk with the Spirit through-out the long day.
Work and hope for the new life a-borning',
listen to the Spirit to show you the way.**

Welcome

Call to Worship:

For the “many-ness” of God’s creative splendour,
let us give thanks.
Before Jesus’s humility,
and the power of Christ’s commands,
let us stand in wonder.
For the mystery of relationships-
God’s with us, and ours with one another,
let us seek God’s holy wisdom.
Come! Let us worship the Triune God.

Gathering Prayer: (All)

**You are One, O God, and you are Three.
You are majesty and mystery.
Make us ever in your image, we pray.
Make us one.
Make us “we”. Amen.**

**Opening Hymn: Called by Earth and Sky

MV 135

Story Time:

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.**

**Song of Praise: When Hands Reach Out and Fingers Trace MV 136
TUNE Though I may speak VU 372

Prayer of Confession

Promise of Assurance

Exploring

Words from Our Bible:

Genesis 1:1-2:4a
2 Corinthians 13:11-13

One: In this is the word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God

Reflection: To the Trinity, and Beyond!

Special Music: The Blessing of Water and Light and Air by Klusmeier
Sung by Dennis Livingstone

Responding

Minute for Mission

Remembering
Alvin Dixon

As a church we continue to work toward reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. Mission & Service supports this work through your gifts for the National Indigenous Church.

We are thankful that we have Elders like Alvin Dixon to lead us on the path of reconciliation. Alvin, a residential school survivor, was taken from his community and sent more than 500 kilometres to the Alberni Residential School. Alberni was a United Church of Canada–run school where many children suffered sexual, physical, and psychological abuse. Alvin was beaten when he spoke his Indigenous language of Heiltsuk rather than English.

Alvin survived the school, earned a university degree, and later counselled fellow residential school survivors. He also found comfort in the Christianity he learned at the school. Alvin became a leader in the path of reconciliation. He was a Caretaker of the Indigenous Circle, a Mission & Service–supported program. As an activist in the United Church, he helped guide us to an apology to Indigenous peoples and to becoming a driving force behind the demand for a public inquiry into conditions at the residential schools, which led to the establishment of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

Alvin died from cancer in 2014 at the age of 77, but his legacy of activism lives on in the work of reconciliation.

If Mission & Service giving is already a regular part of your life, thank you so much! If you have not given, please join me in making Mission & Service giving a regular part of your life of faith. Loving our neighbour is at the heart of our Mission & Service.
Presentation of Our Gifts

Prayers of Our Community:

Lord, listen to your children praying, VU 400
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace!

**Closing Hymn: We Are Pilgrims

VU 595

**Sharing the Light

**Commissioning and Benediction:

**Choral Amen:

VU 649

**Walk with me,
I will walk with you and
build the land that God has planned
where love shines through.**

Postlude:

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