

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

> Canada Day Weekend 5th Sunday after Pentecost July 2, 2023 10 a.m.

WELCOME to worship!

## Gathering

| ** Please rise | in spirit or in body as you are able  |        |
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| Prelude:       | Amazing Grace   | VU 266 |
| Welcome, An    | nouncements & Acknowledgement:  |        |
| our church is  | ledgement<br>United Church, we acknowledge that<br>built on ancestral, traditional<br>Wolastoqiyik (wolas-to-qiyik) land. |        |
| Declaration o  | f 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.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Spirit Open My Heart refrain MV79 **\***\*Introit: 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:

Welcome to all who are weary, tired, or burned-out. We come to be refreshed and renewed in God's presence. Welcome all who are anxious, worried, or burdened. -1------ cont.

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.

> Open My Eyes \*\*Hymn of Praise: VU 371 Those going to Sunday School will leave after the first verse

We come to be calmed and comforted by the Spirit. Welcome to all who feel complacent, comfortable, or detached. We come to be stirred by Christ's message for us. All are welcome here. Come as you are.

Together, we will rest in the Presence, be calmed by the Spirit, and be stirred by the message. Together we will welcome one another as we gather for worship.

## Gathering Prayer: (All)

Loving God, you graciously welcome and love each of us exactly as we are, and you model how we should be with each other. May you be patient with us and help us as we seek to understand what your true welcome and your hospitality really mean for how we should be in our communities. Amen.

| *Opening Hymn: | Let Us Build a House | MV1 |
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Intergenerational Time:

| to complete it. And<br>overwhelms our op<br><b>Open our hearts, t</b><br><b>providence. Open</b><br><b>power. Open our e</b><br><b>dom.</b> | egun a good work in us, and you are faithful<br>yet our pessimism about what <i>is</i> often<br>timism about what is to come.<br><b>hat we might trust in your gracious</b><br><b>our minds, that we might believe in your</b><br><b>yes, that we might see the coming kin-</b><br>res of imagination, vision, and hope. | hearts to yo<br>neighbors v<br>When we w<br>through the<br>throughout<br>experience | es: (All)<br>od, when we share from our souls<br>our works in this world. When we<br>who struggle, we care for the Chr<br>velcome the prophet who shares y<br>eir advocacy, we care for the Spir<br>c our world. When we share with<br>Divine joy as our reward for givi<br>y help to build your Kindom here | e tend to our<br>fist in our midst.<br>your love<br>fit moving<br>a stranger, we<br>ing. Bless all |  |
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| v   |  |   | Prayers of our Community:  |  |  |
| Words of Assurance:   |  |   |  |  |  |
| Words from Our Bible:<br>Genesis 22: 1-14<br><i>Living Psalm 13,</i>  | Exploring<br><i>A Prayer to Hurry Up Deliverance,</i><br><i>written by Rev. Elizabeth Dilley</i>   | summon ou   | Take, O Take Me As I Am<br><b>ce me as I am;</b><br><b>it what I shall be;</b><br><b>al upon my heart</b><br><b>me.</b>  | MV 85  |  |
| Matthew10:40-42   |  | **Closing Hymn:   | O Canada   | VU 524   |  |
| One: In this is the All: <b>Thanks be to</b>  | word of God for the people of God.<br>God  | Commissioning and   | d Blessing:  |  |  |
| **Hymn of Reflection: V   | Vho Is My Mother MV 178  | **Choral Amen:<br>When you  | When You Walk from Here walk from here,  | VU298  |  |

Reflection:

Special Music:

## Responding

Presentation and Dedication of our Gifts

Sung Response: Praise God from Who, All Blessings Flow VU 541 Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures high and low; give thanks to God in love made known: Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

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Except where otherwise noted, service prayers today are adapted from Prayers for All Seasons, Year A, ©

Traditional Irish Folk Melody

when you walk from here,

Danny Boy

Wood Lake Publishing Inc., Kelowna BC

Postlude:

and with God's humble care.

walk with justice, walk with mercy,

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