



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



2nd after Pentecost
 Environment Sunday
 June 2, 2024 11:30 a.m.

WELCOME to worship!

Gathering

** Please rise in spirit or in body as you are able

Prelude: My Soul Cries Out MV 120

Welcome, Announcements & Acknowledgement:

Land Acknowledgement

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.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Early in the morning or in the evening, the sun rises or the sun sets over the St. John – the Wolastoq River - and with it the light.

The light dances across the sky with beauty and the presence of the Spirit is felt.

Let us welcome the light among us in this sacred place.

**Introit: Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom MV 10 vs 1

**Come and seek the ways of Wisdom,
 she who danced when earth was new.**

**Follow closely what she teaches,
for her words are right and true.
Wisdom clears the path to justice,
showing us what love must do.**

Call to Worship:

We gather this morning in this place of worship, to sing,
to pray, to listen and to be nourished.

**We gather to sense the presence of the
Holy One with hearts filled with our own
stories.**

And we are being called from our ordinary everyday lives
to come and be fed so that we can go forth renewed and
full of hope.

Come let us worship the Living God.

Gathering Prayer:

**Wondrous God: You touch our lives with grace, with
love, with healing. New life is Your gift. May this time
of worship nourish us, strengthen us so that we may
be empowered to carry Your goodness into the coming
week. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen**

**Opening Hymn: Come and Find the Quiet Centre VU 374

Intergenerational Time:

Prayer that Jesus Taught: M. Furlong, The St. Hilda Community

**God, who cares for us,
The wonder of whose presence fills us with awe.**

**Let kindness, justice and love shine in our world.
Let your secrets be known here as they are in heaven.
Give us the food and the hope we need for today.**

**Forgive us our wrongdoing
as we forgive the wrongs done to us.
Protect us from pride and from despair
and from the fear and hate which can swallow us up.**

**In you is truth, meaning, glory and power,
while worlds come and go.
Amen.**

****Hymn of Praise:** Teach Me, God, to Wonder VU 299
Those going to Sunday School will leave after the first verse

Prayer of Self Reflection:

Music: Spirit of Life VU 381
Spoken Prayer
Silent Prayer
Words of Assurance
Music: Spirit of Life VU 381

Exploring

Words from Our Bible: Jennifer Abbott
1 Samuel 3:1-10,
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 VU 861

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

****Hymn of Reflection:** Take, O Take Me as I am MV 85

Reflection Listen! Listen Carefully!

Special Music:

Responding

Presentation of our Gifts:

Sung Response: Jesus Laughed Out Loud MV 133 vs 5
**Jesus called my name
when he was passing by;
my life will never be the same;
this love will never die.**

Prayer of Dedication:

Prayers of the Community:

Sung Response: And When You Call for Me MV 96
**And when you call for me,
I have already answered.
And when you call for me,
I am already there.**

**Closing Hymn: I, The Lord of Sea and Sky VU 509

Extinguishing of the Christ Candle

Commissioning and Benediction:

**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: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling VU 333

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