United Church of Canada L'Église Unie du Canada



GIBSON MEMORIAL UNITED CHURCH

July 28, 2024

10th after Pentecost



Summer Joint Sunday Worship Service

July 28. 2024. 10:00 am. at GMUC (July) / at FHUC (August) Tenth after Pentecost

Standing or sitting freely according to each one's physical condition.

We Gather To Worship

Prelude

Lighting the Christ Candle and Rainbow Candle

CHORUS FOR WELCOMING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST:

We Are A Rainbow We're the light of all the world, we are a city on a hill. We're a candle on a stand proclaiming light We will not hide our lamp beneath a bushel any more We will shine a ray of hope that's burning bright.

We are a rainbow, sign of covenant and peace For the flood of tears will finally cease to be Come shine your rainbow, splash your hues across the sky Paint the world in colors proud and bold and free.

Welcome and Announcements:

*Call to Worship:

L. In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge;

P. Incline your ear to me; make haste to deliver me.

L. For the sake of your name, lead me and guide me.

R. Into your hands, I commend my spirit, for you have redeemed me, O God of truth.

*Opening Hymn: The Church's One Foundation

VU 331

***Opening Prayer:** (together)

You are cause for rejoicing, O God, and the source of our gladness. You know what afflicts us; you can sense our distress. You remove whatever net will ensnare us; you give our feet firm places to stand. In Christ you have brought us deliverance. For all your mercies, we praise your name and worship you now as our refuge and strength. Amen.

Prayer of Confession:

O Christ, we confess that we too make light of your invitation. We are reluctant to come when the feast is made ready. Our time is committed; business is pressing. We are afraid we will be with the wrong people. At times dissension hinders our response. We are not at peace with those likewise invited to your table. We need forgiveness to heal our divisions. We need your mercy and grace to lift us up. Amen

Words of Assurance:

Scripture reminds us that the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world. Jesus has taught that his is the bread of life. Whoever lives and believes has eternal life. This is the assurance of our pardon and of our renewal.

Sharing Time

Hymn: Seek Ye First

VU 356

The Word of God Proclaimed

Scripture Readings: John 14:1-14 and I Peter 2:1-10

Message

Musical Reflection

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering:

*Doxology

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.

*Offering Prayer: (Together)

O God, you call us to be agents of Christ's way, the way of love. We accept the commission as we confess faith in God's will. What we offer reflects our commitment. Accept our labours for you and continue to bless us with the Holy Spirit as we journey. May our obedience be worthy of your continuing trust. Amen

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

WE GO OUT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*Closing Hymn: Christ is Made the Sure Foundation VU 325

*Commissioning and Benediction:

God calls us away to bless us with rest.

In God, we find peace.

Our shepherd watches over us day and night.

In Christ, we dwell securely.

The Spirit anoints us with holy love.

In the Spirit, we find healing.

As God's beloved family,

we will boldly move forward into the world to build God's invisible temple.

The grace of Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of us, now and forever.

Amen.

*Postlude

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Announcements

Minister's Office:

1. Pastoral Care and Pastoral Visit

Rev. Ji's vacation is from July 22nd to August 11th.

Don't hesitate to contact the office if emergency pastoral care is needed during the minister's vacation.

Worship:

1. Welcome everyone who worships with us today.

 If you would like to become a new member, please leave a 'Welcome card' on the offering plate.

• Leave your offering on the plate at the entrance before the service. If you miss it, please bring it to the office after service.

This Week:

1. Church Office hours:

Monday - Friday 8:30-3:30 p.m.

Upcoming:

TODAY	10:00am	Tenth After Pentecost at GMUC
July 30	1:30pm	Women Together
August 4	10:00am	Shared Service at FHUC
August 11	10:00am	Shared Service at FHUC
August 18	10:00am	Shared Service at FHUC
August 25	10:00am	Shared Service at FHUC

Upcoming Events:

Christ Church Parish Church (245 Westmorland Street) is hosting its final two concerts in their summer concert series! All are welcome! Free will donations gratefully accepted.

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