

EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH

November 24, 2019
The Reign of Christ

A warm welcome to all who have joined us for worship today.

Please note this is a scent free environment.

(*please rise in body or spirit)

Prelude: "Marche Pontificale" - Jaques Lemmens; arr. R.R. Peery

Welcome, Announcements & Lighting of the Candles

*Gathering Hymn: MV #150 "Spirit God, Be Our Breath"

*Centering Time for Worship

Called to the Temple

*Invitation to Community

You are sacred writings

Stories in the image and likeness of the Divine

You are books of wisdom and understanding

Having been given the gift of walking with the Holy

Now let us hear more stories

Narratives of justice and peace

*Gathering Prayer

Great Spirit, you have given us a rich tradition of experience and faithfulness. As we come together as your faithful open our hearts and heads to receive you anew. Calm us into your peace, so that we may be disturbed to change the shadow places of creation. In the name of Jesus, whose story we follow, we make this prayer. Amen.

Hymn: MV 120 "My Soul Cries Out"

Candles of Joy and Concern

Gathering to Hear from the Book of the Covenant

Preparation for Proclamation: MV 175 "May We but Wait"

Scriptures: Reader: Patti Shaw

2 Kings22.1-20, 23.1-3 Psalm 105 VU 828, Part One

Luke 24.28-35

Special Music: "Come, Thou Found" - arr. Thygerson

Reflection:

Response: MV 12 "Come Touch Our Hearts" vs 1

Living Lawfully

CCRC Update: Kirstin Armbrust

Offering: "Andantino " - Schumann

*Hymn of Presentation: MV 191 "What Can I Do?"

We offer these gifts, and we offer our stories: stories of faithfulness, compassion and love. Receive all of these gifts so that all can experience the love of your law. Amen

Prayers of the Faithful:

(A Prayer for the Transgender Day of Remembrance)

Each one of us is crafted in the image and likeness of the Divine.

We are incarnate and holy.

But this day we remember that there are those who chose violence instead of affirmation, judgement in place of acceptance, ignorance as a chosen preference.

We remember those transgender sisters and brothers who have received derision,

violence and death.

^{*}Prayer of Dedication:

We lament that the sacred beauty of each and every person, regardless of sexual expression, has been violated.

And so, Divine friend, we pray for the resources and tools to bring about the reign of love and acceptance.

We pray for the courage to confront evil and stand with those who are persecuted because they are transgender.

God, we pray that our hope and your light will fuse to make this world a safe place for our transgender sisters and brothers. Each one of us is crafted in the image and likeness of the Divine.

We pray, Holy one, that your Divine embrace will hold all your children together. Amen.

Hymn: VU #642 "Be Thou My Vision" vs 1, 2, 4 & 5

*Sending Forth:

Live a life of compassion

Caring for the lives of others

Live a life of passion

Passion for justice and peace

Embrace the unembraceable

We will love all God's children

*Concluding Rite: VU 884 "You Shall Go Out with Joy"

Postlude: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" - arr. Cindy Berry

In Appreciation

Minister: All the Congregation and Rev. Don Uhryniw

Music: Arlene Gray and the Choir

Ushers & Greeters: Judy & Dave Stephenson, Ina Stenner, Leona Clarke

Elevator: Kathy Gillis

Offering collectors: Choir members

AV: Ted Shaw Powerpoint: Carol Atkinson

Regular coffee & tea prepared prior to the Service by Christine Lewis, AJ McNaught & Frankie Schilke.

Welcome Kirsten Armbrust: A wee bio. Kirsten moved into the ED role at CCRC in April after 8 years working as a Clinical Counsellor and 7 years as the Manager of the Professional Counselling program at CCRC. She held a few different roles for brief periods prior to that, and a bit of part time teaching at both SSFC and Trent University.





Lunchtime Organ Music - Advent 2019 - Thursdays, from 12:15 until 12:45 pm, at Murray Street Baptist Church, 175 Murray Street, Peterborough.

December 5 – Douglas Schalin

December 12 – Arlene Gray, vocal (Douglas Schalin, accompanist)

December 19 – Randy Mills

Free admission. Donations of food and money for local food bank programs will be accepted. Information: 745-4376 or 755-1184.

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