

EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH

*An Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Canada
We acknowledge that we live on the traditional territory
of the Mississauga People of the Anishnaabe Nation*

June 10, 2018 – 93 Anniversary of Church Union

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: Emmanuel Bells

Ken Gray, Marg Allen, Lyn Miller, Judy Amsbury, Cliff McDonald

Welcome and Announcements

*Gathering Hymn: VU 331 v. 1

**The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ our Lord;
we are His new creation by water and the Word;
from Heaven He came and sought us that we might ever be His living
servant people, by His own death set free.**

Lighting of the Christ, Peace, and Affirming Candles

*Gathering Dialogue:

One: We gather as a United Church;

**Many: We worship and praise from different traditions and models of
relationship.**

One: We gather as a uniting Church.

**Many: We worship with each other, not as a melting pot, but together
before God with all our love and differences known and valued.**

One: We gather as God's Church.

**All: Come, let us put our hearts and minds to the Lord, as countless
generations have before. Glory and thanksgiving to God!**

*Opening Prayer:

**Almighty One, whose presence and love has been felt and appreciated
around all of Creation since time immemorial; we ask that You make
Yourself known to us this morning how You deem fit, so that we may
share the experience with those here and outside the sanctuary walls.
As we celebrate 93 years of being a United Church, share with us in our
remembering of our history and in our lamenting of our mistakes. Lead
us faithfully into the Church's future, knowing the ultimate future of
union with You. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

*Hymn: VU 389 – God is Here

Candles of Joy and Concern

Scripture Readings: Shelly Joyes

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 – Faith in the Spirit and in What is to Come

Psalms 138 (VU 860) – We Worship in Your Holy Place

Mark 3:20-27, 31-35 – Jesus' House Rules and True Family

One: This is the Word of God as it is witnessed in the Christian Scripture
All: The witnessed Word of God enlivens the living Word of God that is within us.

Ministry of Music: “Just a Closer Walk with Thee” Jubilation
-arr. Kirby Shaw

Meditation: “Old Books and Lamentations” -Alex Jebson

*Hymn: MV 1, v. 1, 3, 5 – Let Us Build a House

HOLY COMMUNION (See insert) -Jessica Beecham-Stockton

Prayers of the People

Presentation of Gifts and Offertory Music:

*Hymn of Presentation – MV 191

**What can I do? What can I bring?
What can I say? What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.**

*Prayer of Dedication:

All: With these offerings, we pray that Your works might be aided near and far, Loving God. As a Church dedicated to stewardship and caring for our community, may You guide us and our resources to Christian love and service.

In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

*Hymn: VU 437, v. 1, 2, 5 The Day You Gave Us

*Benediction

*Sending Forth: “May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You”
Jubilation -Willson/Huff

Postlude: “Operator” Jubilation -William Spivery;
-arr. Kirby Shaw