

## **NORTHMINSTER UNITED CHURCH**

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Sunday, July 7, 2024 at 10:00 am (TIME CHANGE)

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### *Seventh Sunday after Pentecost*

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#### **Music as We Gather**

#### **Welcome**

#### **Acknowledgement of the Land:**

As we gather, we acknowledge that we meet and live on the traditional territories of the Mississauga Anishinaabe People. We give thanks for their care for the land over thousands of years and for their deep spirituality and honouring of the Creator and the creation. May we live with respect in God's creation and in harmony with our neighbours.

#### **Lighting the Christ Candle**

*Please stand for the Opening Hymn*

#### **Opening Hymn: VU216**

“Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”

- 1 Sing praise to God, who reigns above,  
the God of all creation,  
the God of power, the God of love,  
the God of our salvation;  
with healing balm my soul is filled,  
and every faithless murmur stilled:  
to God all praise and glory!
  
- 2 What God's almighty power hath made,  
God's gracious mercy keepeth:  
by morning glow or evening shade  
God's watchful eye ne'er sleepeth;  
within the shelter of God's might,

lo! all is just and all is right:  
to God all praise and glory!

3 Our God is never far away,  
but through all grief distressing,  
an ever-present help and stay,  
our peace, and joy, and blessing;  
as with a mother's tender hand,  
God gently leads the chosen band:  
to God all praise and glory!

4 Thus all my gladsome way along,  
I sing aloud thy praises  
that all may hear the grateful song  
my voice unwearied raises.  
Be joyful in your God, my heart!  
Both soul and body take your part:  
to God all praise and glory! < >

## **Life, and Work of the Community**

### **Call to Worship:**

One: The Holy calls us to step into life fully and completely.

**All: Called to live and love together.**

One: The Holy reminds us of Holy presence in all we say and do.

**All: May our hearts and minds be open to the Holy.**

One: Let us worship!

**All: Let us worship together!**

### **Opening Prayer**

#### **Words of Assurance:**

One: The promise of a Pentecost driven faith inspires us to live and love together in this complex world in which we find ourselves.

**All: Through reflection, transformation, and action, we can be a transformative presence in Creation.**

**Old Testament Lesson:** 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 *Dustin Bowers*

<sup>5:1</sup> Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, 'Look, we are your bone and flesh. <sup>2</sup>For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in.

The LORD said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel.’<sup>3</sup> So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the LORD, and they anointed David king over Israel. <sup>4</sup> David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned for forty years. <sup>5</sup> At Hebron he reigned over Judah for seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah for thirty-three years.

<sup>9</sup> David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inwards. <sup>10</sup> And David became greater and greater, for the LORD, the God of hosts, was with him.

*Please remain seated*

**Hymn: VU560**

“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

- 1 O Master, let me walk with thee  
in lowly paths of service free;  
teach me thy secret, help me bear  
the strain of toil, the fret of care.
  
- 2 Help me the slow of heart to move  
with some clear, winning word of love;  
teach me the wayward feet to stay,  
and guide them in the homeward way.
  
- 3 Teach me thy patience; still with thee,  
in closer, dearer company,  
in work that keeps faith sure and strong,  
in trust that triumphs over wrong,
  
- 4 in hope that sends a shining ray  
far down the future's broadening way,  
in peace that only thou canst give,  
with thee, O Master, let me live. < >

**Young at Heart Time:**

*“The Boy Who Would Be King”*

**Gospel Lesson:** Mark 6:1-13

*Dustin Bowers*

<sup>6:1</sup> He left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup> On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, ‘Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has

been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup>Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. <sup>4</sup>Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' <sup>5</sup>And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup>And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup>He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup>He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup>but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup>He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup>If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' <sup>12</sup>So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup>They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Reader: As we listen to the words from our scripture...

**All: may we hear the stories from our faith history that inspire us to embrace the promise and new life shared with us as we live and love together in a Pentecost inspired faith.**

Reader: In the name of the Jesus, the Christ...

**All: Amen.**

**Meditation:**

*"Road Trip!"*

**Music for Meditation**

*Please stand for the New Creed*

**The New Creed**

VU918

One: Let us join together in a statement of our communal faith...

**All: We are not alone, we live in God's world.  
We believe in God: who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new, who works in us and  
others by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.  
We are called to be the Church:  
to celebrate God's presence,  
to live with respect in Creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.  
In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.  
We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**Hymn: VU589**

“Lord, Speak to Me”

- 1 Lord, speak to me that I may speak  
in living echoes of your tone;  
as you have sought, so let me seek  
your straying children lost and lone.
- 2 O lead me, so that I may lead  
the wandering and the wavering feet;  
O feed me, so that I may feed  
your hungering ones with manna sweet.
- 3 O teach me, so that I may teach  
the precious truths which you impart;  
and wing my words, that they may reach  
the hidden depths of many a heart.
- 4 O fill me with your fullness, Lord,  
until my very heart o'erflows  
in kindling thought and glowing word,  
your love to tell, your praise to show. < >

**We Receive the Offering**

*Please stand for the Offering Hymn*

**Doxology: VU541** “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”  
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 < >

**Dedication of Our Gifts**

## Prayers of the People and the Jesus Prayer

*Please stand for Closing Hymn*

### Closing Hymn: VU481

“Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”

- 1 Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,  
the people of God from this dwelling take leave.  
The supper is ended, O now be extended  
the fruits of this service in all who believe.  
The seed of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching,  
shall blossom in action for God and for all.  
God's grace did invite us, God's love shall unite us  
to work for the kingdom and answer its call.
  
- 2 With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living,  
the tasks of our everyday life we will face.  
Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,  
embracing God's children of each tribe and race.  
With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead us;  
unite us as one in this life that we share.  
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving  
give honour to Christ and the name that we bear. < >

### Blessing as We Go Forth:

One: Let us go from this place experiencing the wind and flame  
of the Spirit of Pentecost.

**All: We go in celebration.**

One: Let us go from this place living within the Spirit of  
Pentecost.

**All: We go in love.**

One: Let us go from this place sharing the Spirit of Pentecost.

**All: We go in hope and peace.**

One: Let us go in peace.

**All: Peace be with us! Amen!**

### Sung Benediction:

“Go Now in Peace”

Go now in peace, never be afraid,  
God will be with you each hour of everyday.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,  
Know God will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love and show you believe.  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there, watching you with love;  
Go now in peace, in faith and in love. Amen. < >

## **Music as the Worship Service Concludes**

### **Regional Council Prayer Cycle**

As church, we are called to pray for each other and for our mission in the world for the week of July 7, 2024

### **St. Mark's United Church, Whitby**

*[East Central Ontario Regional Council]*

## ***THANK YOU TO THIS WEEK'S VOLUNTEERS for July 7***

Duty	Dave Thom
Elevator	Carrie Varga
Greeters	Kathy Thom, Carol Doherty Judy Henderson, Fran Morton
Scripture Reader	Dustin Bowers
Congregational Elder	Mary Hess Northey
Sunday School Coordinator	Maggie Crawford
Nursery Coordinator	Gale Osmond
Sound	Alex Brunton/AI Bartholomew
Video	Nelson Pickett
Coffee Fellowship	Mission & Outreach
Coffee Fellowship (Aug)	Affirm Committee

Rev Kevin Derry will be away on Sabbatical beginning July 8<sup>th</sup> through to September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please contact the office at 705-748-4881 and we will make sure your message gets to where it needs to go.

On **Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup>** we welcome Rev. Iain Buchanan as our Guest Minister.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FOOD BANK SUNDAY**- is held on the 2nd Sunday of each month. We invite you to bring items to support Kawartha Food Share. Boxes are located in Upper Wright Hall and back foyer [*exit to parking lot*]. If you wish to make a cash donation instead, we ask that you place money in a separate envelope clearly marked as “*Donation to Kawartha Food Share*” also include your name or envelope number. **Please make cheques payable to: “Northminster United Church”**. This can be placed on the offering plate. **Next date: July 14<sup>th</sup>**. We also accept Interac NUC Treasurer: [treasurernuc@gmail.com](mailto:treasurernuc@gmail.com)

**OUR NURSERY FOR OUR YOUNGEST CHILDREN** is along the main corridor across from the kitchen.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES** ... please contact Michele in the office to let her know you require offering envelopes. Email: [info@northminsteruc.ca](mailto:info@northminsteruc.ca) or Tel. # 705-748-4881.

**NAME TAGS:** If you need a name tag, please contact the office. I would be happy to make you one. Also stick on name tags are available, located on the table at the back of the church and on table at west entrance into Sanctuary.

**LANG PIONEER VILLAGE**...You are invited to join other members of the United Churches in Peterborough County for a special worship service to recognize the United Church of Canada’s Centennial year. This service is on **Sunday July 28<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m.** in the Agricultural Hall of Fame Barn at Lang Pioneer Village, Lang. For directions and information on the village check out: [www.langpioneervillage.ca](http://www.langpioneervillage.ca)

The Agricultural Barn has limited seating but there will be a large tent set up in the courtyard to accommodate the overflow. On the day of the service, there will be signs (and hopefully people) to indicate where to park. Accessible parking is at the north end of the village.

**Bring a lawn chair**, your sunscreen (or an umbrella). The offering we will receive during the service will go directly to Lang Village as a thank you for hosting us. And following the service, people can enjoy the space for a picnic lunch (bring your own) and then go back in time and tour the Pioneer Village for free. All are welcome!!!! If you know in advance, please give Keene/Hiawatha a general idea of number of attendees from your community of faith.

**PLEASE NOTE:** there will **not** be a worship service at Northminster United Church this day.