

KING CITY UNITED CHURCH

*A Vibrant, Caring, Christian Family
Proclaiming the Good News of God's Love
Through Jesus Christ!*

June 26, 2022

Third Sunday after Pentecost

(* Please rise as you are able)**

(Words in **Bold** said by all)

... WITH OPEN DOORS ...

Prelude: "Largo" G F Handel

Welcome, Life & Work with King City UC

The Lighting of the Worship Candle

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; those who follow me will not walk in darkness." This candle reminds us of the presence of Christ in our midst.

Thanks be to God.

Call to Worship

The Spirit of God be with you.

And also with you.

Turn to God the source of life.

We lift our hearts to God.

We welcome the Christ who lives within, between and among us.

*****Hymn: "Spirit of God, Descent upon My Heart" 378 VU**

- 1 Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;
stoop to my weakness, strength to me impart,
and make me love you as I ought to love.**

 - 2 I ask no dream, no prophet ecstacies,
no sudden rending of the veil of clay,
no angel visitant, no opening skies,
but take the dimness of my soul away.**

 - 3 Have you not bid me love you, God and King;
all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength and mind?
I see your cross: there teach my heart to cling.
O let me seek you and O let me find!**
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**4 Teach me to love you as your angels love,
one holy passion filling all my frame,
the baptism of the heaven-descended dove,
my heart an altar and your love the flame.**

Opening Prayer

Response: "Take, O Take Me as I Am" (Sung twice) 85 MV
Take, O take me as I am;
summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart
and live in me.

Words of Grace

Response: "Don't Be Afraid" 90 MV
Don't be afraid. My love is stronger,
my love is stronger than your fear.
Don't be afraid. My love is stronger
and I have promised,
promised to be always near.

*****Affirmation of Faith: New Creed**

**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.**

... WITH OPEN MINDS ...

For the Young at Heart

*****Hymn: "Jesus Bids Us Shine" 585 VU**

- 1 Jesus bids us shine with a pure, clear light,
like a little candle burning in the night.
In this world is darkness, so let us shine,
you in your small corner, and I in mine.**
- 2 Jesus bids us shine first of all for him;
well he sees and knows it if our light grows dim:
Jesus walks beside us to help us shine,
you in your small corner, and I in mine.**
- 3 Jesus bids us shine, then, for all around;
many kinds of darkness in the world are found:
sin, and want and sorrow; so we must shine,
you in your small corner, and I in mine.**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings:

Galatians 2: 11-21 (page 188, NT)
Luke 7: 36 – 8: 3 (page 66-67, NT)

Sung Response: "Holy Sacred Spirit" (*Sung twice*) 15 MV
Holy sacred Spirit, breathe your breath on us.
Holy sacred Spirit, breathe your life in us.

Ministry of Music: "Bless This House" Solo: John Kell

Sermon: "Seeing Clearly" Rev. Bruce J. Roffey

Time for Silent Reflection

*****Hymn: "A Light Is Gleaming" 82 VU**

- R A light is gleaming, spreading its arms
throughout the night, living in the light.
Come share its gladness, God's radiant love
is burning bright, living in the light.**
- 1 When light comes pouring into the darkest place,
it hurts our eyes to see the glow.
Sometimes a word of hope reminds us of our fears,
our memories and tears. R**
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- 2 **When night is round us and every shadow grows,
a star is there to light our way.
It tells a story of Jesus who came near to say:
'God's light will ever stay.' R**
- 3 **And Jesus showed us a brighter path to walk.
He showed us things we hadn't seen.
Now we, like Jesus, can help creation shine,
and this will be a sign: R**
- 4 **So let us live in the brightness God has giv'n,
and let us rise to see the dawn.
We trust that God is here asparkle and ablaze,
- warming all our days. R**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*****Offertory Hymn: "In Gratitude and Humble Trust" 544 VU**
In gratitude and humble trust
we bring our best today
to serve your cause and share your love
with all along life's way.
O God, who gave yourself to us
in Jesus Christ, your Son,
teach us to give ourselves each day
until life's work is done.

*****Prayer of Dedication**

... WITH FAITH OPEN TO THE WEEK AHEAD ...

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy
Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day, our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses as
we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom,
the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

*****Hymn: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" 663 VU**

- 1 My faith looks up to thee,
thou Lamb of Calvary, Saviour divine.
Now hear me while I pray;
take all my guilt away.
O let me from this day be wholly thine.**

- 2 While life's dark maze I tread,
and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide,
bid darkness turn to day;
wipe sorrow's tears away;
nor let me ever stray from thee aside.**

- 3 May thy rich grace impart
strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire.
As thou hast died for me,
O may my love to thee
pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire.**

*****Commissioning / Benediction**

*****Choral Blessing: "Go Now in Peace"**

**Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
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 from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.**

*****Extinguishing of the Christ Candle**

Christ has been with us sharing the light of life. He says to us, "You are the light of the world. Let your light shine."

We go forth taking with us the light of Christ in our hearts, and we promise to let it shine in the world through our good works, to the glory of God. Amen.

Postlude: "Bouree" G F Handel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The month of June is National Indigenous History Month.

Worship services

King City UC worships at 10:00 in-person. Services can be viewed later on the church's YouTube channel.

King City United Church will be closed for worship during the month of July. Rev. Andrew will be covering Pastoral Care. Rev. Bruce will be on vacation. In the month of August, services will rotate among the three York United Ministries.

Worship Schedule follows:

Date	August 7 th	August 14 th	August 21 st	August 28
Preacher	Rev. Andrew Lee	Rev. Bruce Roffey	Rev. Bruce Roffey assisting	Rev. Bruce Roffey
Location	New Hope	King City	York Pines	New Hope
Church Year	Ninth after Pentecost	Tenth after Pentecost	Eleventh after Pentecost	Twelfth after Pentecost
UCC/YUM calendar	Environment Sunday			
Liturgical Colour	Green	Green	Green	Green

Korean Peace Appeal

The United Church of Canada is asked to collect 10,000 signatures to this global campaign. Let's make it happen. Please sign your name for the appeal in the narthex.

In-Person Pastoral Counselling and Visitation

Rev. Lee offers pastoral counseling and visitation. Please contact Rev. Lee (leeky3@mcmaster.ca) to make an appointment.

Offering

Thank you for sending your offerings to the church. Your offerings support the ministry of the church and have been much appreciated. Please mail a cheque to your church directly, or make an e-transfer to the church email address.

Minute for Mission

“We are working with these people...so they don't become victims.”



Participants gather for an anti-human trafficking education program.

Credit: Diocese of Durgapur

In December 2020, we shared [Lakshmi's story](#). Lakshmi, a teenager from West Bengal, India, was trafficked by her aunt, who promised that Lakshmi could earn money “dancing.” Thankfully, the story had a happy ending. Lakshmi’s parents contacted the Diocese of Durgapur, which runs an anti-human trafficking program supported by your Mission & Service gifts. The Diocese intervened, and on the threat of legal action, Lakshmi’s aunt returned her to her parents.

Over the year since we published Lakshmi’s story, the Diocese of Durgapur has been busy initiating life-saving anti-trafficking programming, advocacy, education, and relief efforts.

Here’s an update. In 2021, your support through Mission & Service meant that

- 985 key leaders became aware of anti-human trafficking methods, including youth, church, and community leaders
- 20 young people received computer training
- 9 families learned bamboo crafting to augment their income
- 500 families received relief during COVID lockdowns, including food hampers and personal protective equipment
- CCTV cameras were installed in the Malda Safe Home, which houses 21 children

Now that people are returning to work after COVID lockdowns, the efforts of the Diocese and ongoing Mission & Service support are especially critical. Most of the people the Diocese of Durgapur reaches out to live below the poverty line and earn their livelihood through agriculture and labour. “They go to other states looking for work and sometimes fall victim to human trafficking. Now as COVID-19 restrictions are lifted, people are again getting ready to go outside for work. We are working with these people, especially in the areas where people were trafficked earlier, so they don’t become victims,” says Raja Moses, a Project Coordinator for the Diocese. Your generous gifts through [Mission & Service](#) support anti-human trafficking programs run through the Diocese of Durgapur, directly impacting thousands of lives. Thank you!
