

**YORK UNITED MINISTRIES
HOSTED BY YORK PINES UNITED CHURCH**

**February 13, 2022
Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
Black History Month**
(Words in **Bold** said by all)

... WITH OPEN DOORS ...

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: "Laudes Domini"

M.A. Radice

Acknowledgement of the Land

By now we know fully that we gather in the territory of the Ojibway peoples of the Mississaugas of the Credit. We support and accept the principles of Truth and Reconciliation. We acknowledge Anishinaabe stewardship to Mother Earth as we worship, listen, learn, share, and heal together, with mutual respect.

Lighting of the Worship Candle

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.

Call to Worship

Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"

315 VU

**1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

**2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.**

**3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye made blind by sin thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love, and purity.**

**4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;
holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

Opening Prayer

Words of Grace

When Isaiah sensed the presence of God in a powerful way in the Temple, he felt despair. He felt lost, unclean and fearful. A messenger from God touched his mouth with a coal from the altar of God and declared that his guilt was lifted and his sin cleansed. Thus so with us. When we declare our sin to God, God forgives us.

Thanks be to God.

... WITH OPEN MINDS ...

Prayer for Illumination

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your word. Silence in us any voice but your own, that hearing, we may also obey your will; through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Scripture Reading Isaiah 6: 1-8

While at worship in the Temple in Jerusalem, Isaiah encounters God. Isaiah never actually glimpses God only seeing the hem or train of God's robe, which fills the Temple. So awesome is this encounter that Isaiah is overwhelmed with his own feelings of unworthiness as well as that of all humanity, our human limitations which separate us from God. However, Isaiah is purified by fire, which enables him to remain in God's presence and to respond to God's call.

Listen for the word of God.

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their

faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory."

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

This is the witness of Israel.

Thanks be to God for the Word.

Sermon "Worship and Action" The Rev. Bruce J. Roffey

Music for Prayerful Reflection

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer in Unison

Ever-present God, worship and work must be one. And so we offer in this time of worship our pledge to work by walking in the way of Jesus and using the gifts your Spirit have given us. This we pray for Jesus' sake and for the sake of the world for whom he died and rose again. Amen.

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.

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

Hymn: "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

#509 VU

**1 I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest sin my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.**

**2 I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain,
I have wept for love of them; they turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? R**

**3 I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them; my hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? R**

Commissioning / Benediction

Postlude: "Andante Tranquillo"

P. Warlock

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship services – Due to Covid (and its variant) case numbers, York United Ministries (YUM) have decided continue with livestream Zoom services on a rotational basis. Each church will also decide if the service

will also be offered in person at a limited capacity. Next week, King City will be hosting an in-person worship service (25 person limit) at 10 a.m. as well as the livestream Zoom platform. Please call King City UC to register to attend the service at 905-833-5181.

Worship Schedule

| Date | Feb. 13 th | Feb. 20 th | Feb. 27 th | March 6 th |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Host Church | York Pines (On Zoom) | King City (in person and on Zoom) | New Hope | York Pines |
| Preacher | Rev. Bruce Roffey | Rev. Andrew Lee | Rev. Bruce Roffey | Rev. Andrew Lee |
| Music Director | Ted Anderson | Rosemary Karunaratne | Sunny Rakovac | Ted Anderson |
| Sunday of the Church Year | Sixth Sunday after Epiphany | Seventh Sunday after Epiphany | Transfiguration | First Sunday in Lent |
| Liturgical Colour | Green | Green | White | Purple |

York Pines Book Club – *Change in meeting day*

The next Book Club meeting will be held on *Thursday, February 24, 2022 at 7 p.m.* They will be discussing the book **“The Other Side of the River: from Church Pew to Sweat Lodge”** by Alf Dumont. The facilitator for this meeting will be Christine Gunter. If you are interested in joining the Book Club contact York Pines United Church by sending an email to yorkpinesuc@gmail.com or calling 905-727-8118.

Black History Month

We celebrate Black History Month in February every year. It is not only a time of reflection on colonialism in the past and neo-colonialism in the present, but also a time of appreciation and celebration of the works and contribution by African Canadians in our history.

Worship Lighting

In preparation for each Zoom worship, please have a candle at hand, if possible, which you can light during the Lighting of the Worship Candle liturgy. It may remind us of the presence of God with us while we are worshipping apart.

YUM Calendar

Feb. 13th at 11:00 a.m. Oversight Team Meeting (Zoom invite will be sent)
Feb. 27th at 11:00 a.m. King City's Annual Meeting (In-Person at church)

Zoom Pastoral Counselling

Rev. Andrew offers pastoral counseling through Zoom. Please contact Rev. Andrew (leeky3@mcmaster.ca) for the arrangement.

"Praise With Us!"

Let's sing together! Please watch our YouTube channel. Our stories and songs will be uploaded continually. If you want to share your stories or songs, please contact Rev. Andrew (leeky3@mcmaster.ca). While being invited, Rev. Andrew offers a sing-a-long time. This week, let's learn and praise #11 MV "Come, Come Emmanuel." For the song, please find the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LppLmruKFnM>



["PRAISE WITH US" -1, "Come, Come Emmanuel" MV11, by Rev. Andrew K. Lee \(\(Feb.4, 2022\)\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LppLmruKFnM)

PRAISE WITH US - 1 Share your stories, hymns, and gospel songs. ----) Let's rekindle our joy of praise! York United Ministries Shining Waters Regional Council United Church of Canada

www.youtube.com

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 their email address.

Minute for Mission

Thank you for showing love for neighbours at home and around the world.



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Love the way God loves. That's arguably what Jesus' whole ministry was about, and it's summarized in his most travelled quote: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment.

And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.'" (Matthew 22:37-39)

We want to thank you—our amazing Mission & Service supporters—for showing love for neighbours at home and around the world. Thank you for turning compassion into action.

Since the pandemic struck, you have helped raise over \$500,000 in emergency gifts to support Mission & Service partners. Your generosity helps deliver personal protective equipment, distribute food, install sanitation stations, and support education programs to help prevent and control the spread of the virus.

What's more, through our Gifts with Vision([opens in a new tab](#)) catalogue, we have provided over 8,360 full vaccinations to those who need them most across the globe.

Altogether, that's over \$750,000 in COVID relief. Amazing!

Once again this year, your local region will receive \$240,000 to support Mission & Service partners near you. From coast to coast, our partners are helping record numbers of families in need. Your generosity through Mission & Service is providing shelter to Canadians without a home, serving nutritious meals to families struggling to make ends meet, offering critical pastoral care in hospitals and schools, and extending life-changing education and job training opportunities.

Thank you for joining with members across our United Church to show and share love. Thank you for loving your neighbour. Your generosity is a blessing.