

Stouffville United Church

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Music Prelude

Welcome

Acknowledgement of the Land

We are gathered on the treaty territory of the Huron Wendat, Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe people and their ancestors. May we honour their history, spirituality, culture and teachings and uphold our responsibilities as treaty partners.

Announcements

Lighting of the Christ Candle

In the Spirit of Christ Who calls us to be the Church and to Celebrate God's presence; we light the Christ candle to symbolize Christ in our midst.

The Christ Candle is lit

Response: *Jesus Christ the Light of the World*

Call to Worship: (Psalm 19)

Leader: All Creation is Your Praise, O God.

All: The sky radiates with Your glory.

The stars are Your autograph

**Night turning into day speaks Your wisdom,
not in the language of words, but with light and wonder.**

So we want to know Your intent, and hear Your Word

**It gives us life, sweeter than honey and more precious
than gold.**

Help us, then, to know Your ways.

For we easily become lost without knowing. May we follow
in Your path, and live by Your Holy Spirit.

**May the words of our mouths and the thoughts in our
hearts be praise to You, O God, our Source and our
Salvation. Alleluia!**

Hymn:

Prayer of Approach and Confession:

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You and Your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from Your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected Your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those You called us to welcome.

Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone.

For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation.

Amen.

Words of Assurance:

God was in Christ reconciling the world unto himself, not counting our trespasses against us. Therefore be assured and believe your sins are forgiven.

Music Ministry:

A time of silence

Offertory

Offertory Prayer

Lord, You called us to be Your people, to walk in Your Way Lord Jesus; and so we come with the offering of ourselves and the gifts from the work of our hands, hearts and minds seeking Your words of comfort and challenge.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Ephesians 1:1-18

Hymn:

Sermon: You Are Chosen *Series 2*

*Sermon Series: Who Do You Think You Are?
Finding Your True Identity in Christ.*

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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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.

And forgive us our trespasses

As we forgive those who trespass against us.

And 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:

Blessing

Closing Response

(VU 967)

Music Postlude

*Thank you for worshipping with us, whether in person or on line.
We look forward to joining with you again next week!*