#### **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 9:1-2)

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;

I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

I will be glad and exult in you;

I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.—

Hymn: 333 VU - Love Divine

## **Prayer of Approach and Confession:**

Gracious God, once again you have called us together in this place.

Here we open our hearts and lives before you, here we seek to hear Your life-giving Word.

God in this time of song and prayer and speech, open our very souls to receive your challenge, open our wills to accept your instruction. Turn our mourning into dancing, replace our sackcloths with garments of joy. And when our time of worship is ended, lead us back out into the world to share the Good News with the world around us.

We pray in the name of the One who brought

Your healing love, Jesus our Lord. **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**

Dear Lord, we thank you for your goodness in our lives. As we give our tithes and offerings, we recognize your generosity in our lives. You are a God who blesses, and our lives are all blessed by you. We thank you for the physical and mental strength that you provide so that we can all perform our best in our jobs, businesses, and

lives. May what we offer be acceptable in your sight and for your glory honour and praise.

## **Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture:** Ephesians 3:1-21

Hymn: 664 VU - What a Friend We Have in Jesus

#### Sermon: You are Loved! Series 5

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

#### Communion

## **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: 508 VU - Just As I Am

## **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!