

## 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 64:1-4)

O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you;  
**my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you,**  
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

**So I have looked upon you**

**in the sanctuary,**

**beholding your power and glory.**

Because your steadfast love is better than life,  
my lips will praise you.

**So I will bless you as long as I live;  
in your name I will lift up my hands.**

**Hymn:** 222 VU - Come Let Us Sing

### Prayer of Approach and Confession:

Gracious and loving God, open our hearts so that we are able to admit to you the fullness of our lives –

**that which is beautiful and good, and that which is hurtful and hateful.**

We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do.

**We love with condition. We judge and condemn.**

We cast the first stone, and keep the logs in our own eyes.

**We do not turn to You as the source of our healing.**

Forgive us, we pray. Forgive our sin, and empower us to be imitators of Christ in love and service. 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**

Father, we give our tithes and offerings to You. Bless and use these to accomplish Your will through this church. We thank You for Your faithfulness. With these our offerings, we pray that through Your great mercy it may be extended and multiplied in its reach and influence for the work of Your kingdom on earth. We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture:** Ephesians 2:1-21

**Hymn:** 469 VU - We Gather Here

**Sermon: You are Forgiven! Series 6**

*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:** 691 VU - Though Ancient Walls

### **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!*