# **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**

L: Great is our God and greatly to be praised!

**P:** The whole earth reflects God's power and might.

L: When we recall the wonders of God's creation....

P: We rejoice at the awesome complexity of it all.

L: Lord, you have brought us up from fear to hope.

P: Let us worship and praise God for all God's faithfulness. AMEN.

Hymn: Let All Things Now Living – VU 242

#### Prayer of Approach and Confession: (unison)

Holy God, we ask for your help, your power, your Holy Spirit, so that we can amend our lives and grow more each day into the image of Christ. We confess that we fear what is different. We confess that it is easier to lock the doors of our community than to receive those who don't look like we look, love like we love. We confess that we have not lived out your call to share in abundant life and unconditional love. We believe that you have the power to turn us around to a more inclusive way of living, so we ask you to do that. We ask you to give us the courage to change. We ask that you give us the energy, intelligence, imagination, and love to be your people in all we say and do 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

Children Worship (in lower auditorium)

# Offertory

#### **Offertory Prayer** (unison)

Everlasting God, you never ask us to wait when we cry out in despair. You are everpresent. You provide counsel in our bleakest moments. You share joy in our celebratory times. We confess that sometimes we are reluctant in our relationship with you. We do not desire to be the "would-be" followers of Jesus, like Luke describes. Help us to be committed to you in the days ahead. We rededicate ourselves to you and ask that you bless this offering which we now give for the work of your kingdom on earth. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen. Luke 9:51-62

### **Prayer for Illumination**

Scripture: Genesis 7:1-9

Hymn: All Who Hunger- VU 460

Sermon "Noah knew We were All in the Same Boat" Series 4: Lessons I Learned from Noah

Sacrament of Holy Communion

**Prayers of the People** 

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: One More Step Along the World I Go - VU 639

Blessing

Closing Response (VU 967)

**Music Postlude**