

Stouffville United Church
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November 06, 2022
Remembrance Day Sunday

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

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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 the Lord and greatly to be praised!

P: Each day God brings to us new opportunities to learn and grow.

L: God is near to all of us.

P: We will not fear to call upon the Lord.

L: Come, let us praise God who walks with us daily.

P: Let us open our hearts and spirits to God who loves and lives with us. AMEN.

Hymn: 527 VU - God As With Silent Hearts

Prayer of Approach and Confession: (unison)

Lord our God, on this Remembrance Sunday, come and heal our lives. Open our hearts to receive your words of hope and joy that we may be faithful servants of yours in this world which you have loaned to us. We come before you with many issues on our hearts. We get frustrated and angry at the way things are going in the world. We want your immediate intervention; and when we don't see things happening the way we think they should be, we are quick to dismiss you and any thought of your presence. Help us stop our selfishness and our quick anger. Remind us that you will work with us and through us for peace and hope. Release us from the traps of quick tests of your faithfulness and help us see the "big picture" of your awesome love that spans all of time. Forgive us for our pettiness and our stubbornness. Bring us back to you, O Lord. Help us shout your praises and live lives of joyful service. For we ask these things in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

Words of Assurance:

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

Music Ministry:

A time of silence

Offertory

Offertory Prayer (unison)

God of truth and light, we come to you from our daily lives that are full of scams and tricks seeking to gain our confidence and steal and betray. In many ways, it makes us wary of opportunities to show compassion. And yet, we also are reminded of those who sacrificed so much in service to you and our Country. Jesus has reminded us to trust in the truth that speaks not through phones or emails but directly to our hearts. As we give this morning as you have called us, may we do so with joy, not fear, love and not reluctance for all that has been done. We pray this in the name of Christ, who intercedes for us Amen. ([Luke 20:27-38](#))

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Nehemiah 8

Hymn: 687 VU - When Will People Cease Their Fighting

Sermon "Joy and Woe"

Series: Nehemiah: Reclaiming, Restoring, Rebuilding

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.
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

God Save the King

Music Postlude