

**Stouffville United Church**  
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Sunday June 25, 2023

**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 the Christ Candle**

**Call to Worship**

L: This is a time to celebrate and worship God who loves us!

**P: We are grateful and thankful for all God's blessings in our lives.**

L: We gather to remember that Christ gave his life for us.

**P: We humbly praise God for such a gift!**

L: Come, friends! Come and worship the God of love and hope.

**P: Praise be to God at all times and in all places! AMEN.**

**Hymn: 315 VU - Holy Holy Holy**

**Prayer of Approach and Confession**

**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 you are forgiven.

**Music Ministry:**

**A time of silence**

**Offertory**

**Offertory Prayer (unison)**

On this lovely day, at the end of the month of June, we praise and thank you, O Lord. We bring before you our gifts, our lives, our talents. Take all these gifts and use them for work in your kingdom. Bless the gifts and the givers of all gifts. AMEN.

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture:** Esther 5

**Hymn: 127 MV - I Saw the Rich Ones**

Sermon **"Steps in Bringing Change"**

*Sixth in the Series on Esther: "For Such a Time as This"*

**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: 138 MV - My Love Colours Outside the Lines**

**Blessing**

**Closing Response**

**Music Postlude**