WELCOME to WORSHIP

St. Paul's United Church

(Kindersley, Saskatchewan)

Worship Leader: Barb Finley

Musician: Clayton Braybrook

November 8th, 2026

WELCOME ONE and ALL!

GREETING:

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
the love of God and the presence of the Holy Spirit
be with you all
And also with you

WE SING: "Come Touch Our Hearts" (MV# 12)

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

We are not alone in this place;
may we all feel the love, comfort and peace
that our Lord brings to this gathering.

OPENING PRAYER:

Give me a candle of the Spirit, O God,
As I go down into the depths of my being.
Show me the hidden things.
The storehouse of forgotten memories and hurts.
Take me down to the spring of my life
And tell me my nature and my name.

Give me freedom to grow,
so that I may become that self,
The seed of which you planted in me
at the time of my making.
Out of the depths I cry to you, O God.

WE READ FROM OUR SACRED STORY

Psalm 32:9 1-5
Matthew 11:28

In Scripture, God speaks us all
We listen for the voice of God

REFLECTION: We welcome Dawn Kellington of Kellington Counselling

WE SING:
"Love Us Into Fullness" (MV# 81)

INVITATION & DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING:
As we present our offerings at this table,
we remember God's generous hospitality.
Our calling is to feed those dismissed from the world's tables; that they may no longer feel hungry or alone**.**
Ever-present God, with this offering,
we present also ourselves:
All that we have been, all that we are, and all that we shall become. We offer our resolve to walk in your way. Accept us and our offering. In Jesus name we pray. Amen

WE SING:

"Let There Be Light" (VU# 679)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Creator God, we come to you today with thankful hearts for your many blessings and for the Grace that you offer us despite ourselves. At times your blessings can be seen in the distance but so often seem unattainable because we are bound by invisible chains.

Today we ask that you lift these chains so we may experience life with abundance as you intended.

Lift the chains of greed that create a world where governments turn their backs on their own hungry people to retain power and wealth for themselves.

Replace them with ribbons of generosity and compassion.

Lift the chains of addiction that prevent families from sharing and expressing their love for one another to the fullest.

Replace them with ribbons of self-love and self-assurance.

Lift the chains of grief that hold us back from moving forward in our lives in so many ways.

Replace them with ribbons of hope to quell our fear of the unknown future that lies ahead.

Lift the chains of fear and uncertainty in those of us who face serious illness in ourselves and in our loved ones.

Replace them with ribbons of comfort from the Holy Spirit so we can use our energy to heal and provide care.

We ask these things in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray: **Our Father…**

WE SING:

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" (VU# 684)

BLESSING:

Go forth remembering who you are and to whom you belong. When the load of your baggage feels too heavy to bare; trust yourselves to stop; open it and rearrange it in a way that leaves you feeling strong and light.

PASSING OF THE PEACE:

As you go from here, to enjoy another autumn week, *no matter the weather*; may the Peace of the Lord be with you all.

And also with you.

POSTLUDE:

We leave inspired, changed, challenged, or puzzled but continuing our Story...