

St. Mark's United Church, Cannifton, Ontario
Sunday, October 25, 2026
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APPROACHING GOD

Prelude

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND AFFIRMING STATEMENT

WORDS OF WELCOME

COMMUNITY NEWS

LEARNING MOMENT – WEEK 3

CANDLE LIGHTING

CALL TO WORSHIP

God you have welcomed us saying
I know you by name, and you have found favour in me.

God you have promised us,
“My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.”

Lord you have blessed us saying,
“ I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you.”

God, you have humbled us saying.
I will proclaim my holy name in your presence.

HYMN MV 87 “Water Flowing from the Mountain”

- 1 Water flowing from the mountains.
Water flowing o’er the earth.
Water comes to us, so precious.
Living water gives us birth.

Refrain:

Drink deep this source of life.

Drink deep and know.

**For living water sings, and living water brings
the love that makes our spirit grow.**

- 2 Water rushing down the rivers.
Water rushing to the sea.
Water comes to us, so precious.
Living water makes us free. **R**

- 3 Water springing from the dry place.
Water springing in the sun.
Water comes to us, so precious.
Living water for each one. **R**

OPENING PRAYER

Faithful God, you are here. Tuck us into the cleft of the rock; cover us with your hand when we are anxious, that we may be courageous, to do your will, through Christ, who calls us by name. Amen.

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God reigns. Majestic God do we tremble in awe before you?
God reigns. Worthy God have we raised your name in praise?
God reigns. Sovereign God have we executed justice. God reigns. We bow before you, holy God. Forgive us. Cleanse us. Free us. In the strong name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

A Time of Silence

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HYMN VU # 958 “Halle, Halle, Halle”

Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! (Hallelujah!)
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! (Repeat)

THEME TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART
Natalie Land

HYMN VU #218 “We Praise You O God”

- 1 We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;
we bless your holy name, glad praises we sing.
- 2 We worship you, God of our mothers and fathers,
through trial and tempest, companion and guide.
When perils o’ertake us, you will not forsake us,
but faithful to your promise, you walk by our side.
- 3 With voices united our praises we offer
and gladly our songs of thanksgiving we raise.
Our sins now confessing, we pray for your blessing,
to you, our great Redeemer, forever be praise!

HEARING GOD’S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

First Scripture:

Exodus 33: 12-23 *Moses Talks with God on the Mountaintop*

Read by: Chloe Land

Responsive Reading

Psalm 99: VU page 819

**Refrain: You rule with justice in delight,
and faithfulness maintain.**

You reign, O God, and the peoples tremble,
you sit enthroned upon the cherubim, and the earth is quaking.

**You, O God, are great in Zion,
you are exalted over all the nations.**

Let them praise your great and awesome name:
holy are you and mighty, a ruler who delights in justice.

**You have determined what is fair,
you have done in Jacob what is just and right. R**

Moses and Aaron were among your priests,
Miriam* among those who called on your name;
they called to you, God, and you answered.

**In the pillar of cloud you spoke to them,
they kept your teachings and the law that you gave them.**

O God, our God, you answered them;
**to them you were a forgiving God,
though you punished their offences.**

Proclaim the greatness of God
and worship on God's holy hill;
for God, our God, is the Holy One. R

* from Exodus 15

Led by: Chloe Land

Second Reading:

Matthew 22: 15-22 *Paying Taxes to Caesar*

Read by: Rev. Darren Liepold

SERMON

Jesus On Jeopardy

Reconciliation

RESPONDING

HYMN VU #296 “This is God’s Wondrous World”

- 1 This is God’s wondrous world,
and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.
This is God’s wondrous world;
I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas,
God’s hand the wonders wrought.
- 2 This is God’s wondrous world:
the birds their carols raise;
the morning light, the lily white,
declare their Maker’s praise.
This is God’s wondrous world:
God shines in all that’s fair;
in the rustling grass or mountain pass,
God’s voice speaks everywhere.
- 3 This is God’s wondrous world:
O let me ne’er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is God’s wondrous world:
why should my heart be sad?
Let voices sing, let the heavens ring:
God reigns, let earth be glad!

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND CONCERN

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Hymn VU #544 “In Gratitude and Humble Trust”

In gratitude and humble trust
we bring our best today
to serve your cause and share your love
with all along life's way.
O God, who gave yourself to us
in Jesus Christ, your Son,
teach us to give ourselves each day
until life's work is done.

DEDICATION OF OFFERING

Hymn VU #663 “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

- 1 My faith looks up to thee,
 thou Lamb of Calvary, Saviour divine.
 Now hear me when I pray;
 take all my guilt away.
 O let me from this day be wholly thine.
- 2 While life's dark maze I tread,
 and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide,
 bid darkness turn to day;
 wipe sorrow's tears away;
 nor let me ever stray from thee aside.
- 3 May thy rich grace impart
 strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire.
 As thou hast died for me,

O may my love to thee
pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire.

COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION

HYMN MV #214 “May God’s Sheltering Wings”

- 1 May God’s sheltering wings,
her gathering wings protect you.
May God’s nurturing arms,
her cradling arms sustain you,
and hold you in her love,
and hold you in her love

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Postlude

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