** Erindale United Church**

*embracing, proclaiming and practicing the Gospel*

\*Please stand if you are able.

Please join in the responses printed in bold type

**Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 24, 2025**

**♫ Prelude**

**Land Acknowledgement**

**Welcome and Life of the Church**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**\*Call to Worship**

Called to this place…

**as people of God.**

Called to this place…

**as friends in the Spirit.**

Called to this place…

**as followers of Christ.**

Called to this place…

**to be renewed, refreshed, and re-made!**

Called to this place…

**that we might go to all places**

**to share the love of God!**

**♫ \*Opening Hymn:** “Creator God, You Gave Us Life” MV27

**Opening Prayer**

**Life-giving God, we praise you!**

**Over a span of six days, you created everything,**

**human and non-human, on our beautiful planet,**

**and you called it good.**

**And then you dedicated a seventh day of rest;**

**not out of weariness,**

**but as a day to rejoice in all that you accomplished.**

**May this day of rest draw us closer to you,**

**and closer to your Creation.**

**May we use the Sabbath to find joy in passions,**

**in family, and friends.**

**May we disconnect from the chaos of daily life.**

**We are enough.**

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**It is time to rest.**

**Restore us, Creator God, and be with us as we worship,**

**joining our voices in the prayer Jesus taught:**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**Prayer for Illumination**

Author of all life, we ask you to write your words upon our hearts and upon our minds, that they may guide us and comfort us all the days of our lives. Amen.

**Scripture**

Isaiah 58:9b-14

This is the Word of God for the People of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Reading** Luke 13:10-17 Rev. Alison Mock

**Message**  “A Wrinkle in Time” Rev. Alison Mock

**♫ \*Hymn:**  “Out of the Depths, O God, We Call to You” VU611

**Prayers of the People**

**Offering Invitation**

**♫ \*Offertory Hymn:** “Grant Us, God, the Grace” VU540 **Grant us, God, the grace of giving,**

**With a spirit large and free,**

**That ourselves and all our living**

**We may offer faithfully.**

**\*Dedication of Our Offering**

**♫ \*Hymn:** “Christ Has No Body Now but Yours” MV171

**\*Blessing and Sending Forth**

**♫ Postlude**

**Scripture**

**First Reading: Isaiah 58:9b-14**

If you remove the yoke from among you,  
    the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,  
**10**if you offer your food to the hungry  
    and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,  
then your light shall rise in the darkness  
    and your gloom be like the noonday.  
**11**The Lord will guide you continually  
    and satisfy your needs in parched places  
    and make your bones strong,  
and you shall be like a watered garden,  
    like a spring of water  
    whose waters never fail.  
**12**Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;  
    you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;  
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,  
    the restorer of streets to live in.

**13**If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath,  
    from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;  
if you call the Sabbath a delight  
    and the holy day of the Lord honorable;  
if you honor it, not going your own ways,  
    serving your own interests or pursuing your own affairs;  
**14**then you shall take delight in the Lord,  
    and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;  
I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,  
    for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

**Creator God, You Gave Us Life**

1. Creator God you gave us life,

Your image formed within our souls,

Yet through the mist of time and space,

We search for that which makes us whole.

**Refrain:**

*Through hands that paint majestic skies,*

*And voices chanting melody,*

*With words that reach beyond the page,*

*We comprehend your mystery.*

2. In ev’ry flow’r and ev’ry tree,

We see your great diversity,

Yet greater still we see your love,

Expressed in our humanity.

**Refrain**

3. When with our hearts, our hands our minds,

We share our gifts with all the world,

Our spirits soar beyond the veil,

To touch the very face of God.

**Refrain**

**Out of the Depths, O God, We Call to You**

1. Out of the depths, O God, we call to you.

Wounds of the past remain, affecting all we do.

Facing our lives, we need your love so much.

Here in this community, heal us by your touch.

2. Out of the depths of fear, O God, we speak.

Breaking the silences, the searing truth we seek.

Safe among friends, our grief and rage we share.

Here in this community, hold us in your care.

3. God of the loving heart, we praise your name.

Dance through our lives and loves; anoint with Spirit flame.

Your light illumines each familiar face.

Here in this community, meet us with your grace.

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**Christ Has No Body Now but Yours**

**Refrain:**

*Christ has no body now but yours, no hands but yours.*

*Here on this earth, yours is the work,*

*To serve with the joy of compassion.*

1. No hands but yours to heal the wounded world,

No hands but yours to soothe all its suffering,

No touch but yours to bind the broken hope

Of the people of God.

**Refrain**

2. No eyes but yours to see as Christ would see,

To find the lost, to gaze with compassion;

No eyes but yours to glimpse the holy joy

Of the city of God.

**Refrain**

3. No feet but yours to journey with the poor,

To walk this world with mercy and justice.

Yours are the steps to build a lasting peace

For the children of God.

**Refrain**

4. Through ev’ry gift, give back to those in need:

As Christ has blessed, so now be his blessing,

With ev’ry gift a benediction be

To the people of God.

**Refrain**

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