

Little Current United Church Pastoral Charge
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** an invitation to stand in body or spirit in the service

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Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost -- August 31, 2025

Arctic Messy Church

10:00 am at Little Current United Church

WELCOME: a special welcome to guests worshipping with us today. Please sign the guest book as you enter the sanctuary.

Gathering & Prelude

Announcements - The Life & Work of the Church
We Approach God

*Moving from the busy world – entering sacred space,
giving our time and energy to God.*

Acknowledgement of Traditional Territory

We gather this morning on land in Little Current.

We are gathered on Treaty 94, the Manitoulin Island Treaty. And digitally Treaty 45, the Manitowaning Treaty. And Treaty 61 – The Robinson-Huron Treaty. These lands are the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe people: the Ojibwe, Odawa and the Pottawatomi. We acknowledge their stewardship of this land. Their care of the water, earth, fire and wind that is centre to their lives and spirituality. With the Mnidoo Mnising* (*Manitoulin Island)

Peoples, and their neighbors, let us live in respect
and gratitude for all creation.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

We light this candle to remind ourselves that Jesus is here, within our midst. We are called to be a light for the Earth.

(The Christ candle is lit)

Call to Worship:

Kids: Hey!

Adults: **Hey!**

Those without glasses: **Let's gather and know God.**

Those with glasses: **Let's gather and know God.**

2.

Those on the North side: **Jesus is our True North.**

Those on the South side: **Jesus is our guide**

Those on the East side: **We can trust Jesus**

Those on the West side: **So let's celebrate!**

Invocation (together)

God, we are here to know you in creativity and play; in song and prayer; in stories and friends. Let us notice you here. Amen.

Opening Song: "Jesus is Our True North" (Camp song)

Learning Time for All Ages:

Vacation Bible Camp

Day 1

Your table will make a magnet. Jesus is our True North. When we wander, wonder, and ponder, we can trust him to guide us.

Day 2

Your table will make an apron. When we feel alone, we can trust Jesus is with us. Through him, we are always tied together like apron strings tie together.

Day 3

Your table will make a painting. When we feel powerless, we can trust Jesus is our strength. We have the power through Jesus to come together in our diversity and be powerful. We are like Northern Lights.

Day 4

Your table will make a snow globe. When we need help, we can trust Jesus. You may need help with this project. Asking for, and receiving, help is being Christ-like.

At 15 to the hour, we'll regroup.

3.

Minute for Mission – Your Generosity Matters.

Without your generosity, camp couldn't have happened. It takes a village- a community - a church to raise kids. You donated the time to be present in our youth's lives. You donated the money to give them the space to make friends across age groups and to ponder and wonder the world and faith together.

I witnessed these amazing kids come to be comfortable with each other, and truly learn that in a community we know Jesus, have Spiritual and physical support in a wild world, and have friends to help us be Jesus and know him.

Thank you for supporting this church. Thank you for supporting our communities. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to minister here. And thank you for making camp possible.

Responding

Invitation to Commitment:

(The offerings will now be brought forward)

****Offertory Hymn:**

(MV 191)

What can I do? What can I bring?

What can I say? What can I sing?

I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.

I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

Offering Prayer *(unison)*

We trust you, Jesus, to take our offerings, combine them together, and empower us to use them to care for the world. Let it be. Amen.

Song:

"Gnomebody knows..."



4.

1. Gnomebody knows the trouble that I've seen
Gnomebody knows my sorrow
Gnomebody knows the trouble that I've seen
Glory hallelujah

Gnomebody knows the trouble that I've seen

Gnomebody knows but Jesus

Gnomebody knows the trouble that I've seen

Nobody knows but Jesus

2. Sometimes I'm up and sometimes I'm down
Oh, yes lord
You know sometimes almost to the ground
Glory Hallelujah

Still, Gnomebody knows the trouble that I've seen

Gnomebody knows but Jesus

Gnomebody knows the trouble that I've seen

Nobody knows but Jesus

3. If you get there before I do,
Oh, oh yes Lord,
Don't forget to tell all my friends I'm coming too,
Glory Hallelujah.

Still, nobody knows the trouble that I've seen

Nobody knows my sorrow

Nobody knows the trouble that I've seen

Nobody knows but Jesus.

Prayers of the People:

Because gnomebody knows but Jesus, let us say the prayer he taught us **Our Mother/ 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 them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

5.

God Sightings

We practiced all week noticing God. This takes practice no matter what age!

Over this week we noticed God in volunteers, in salt, in paint, in friends, in nature, in songs, in play, in kindness.

So consider with me... Where did you notice God today?

Praise God!

Benediction

Go now with the peace of Christ
Go with the love of our Creator
Go with the joy of the Holy Spirit
Go with God and go in love. Amen!

- Light is extinguished.

Choral Benediction: ***GO NOW IN PEACE, NEVER BE AFRAID.***

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.

God will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.

Know He will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Amen, Amen, Amen.....

Go now in the peace of Christ!



Moving from the This fun and sacred space, taking God's love and energy back into the busy world to love and serve our neighbours

Welcome to Worship With Little Current Pastoral Charge



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