

Sunday, June 25th, 2023

Worship Leader: Rev. Kaitlyn Ostrander

Greetings, Caring, Sharing

Christ Candle

Call to Worship

Loving God, you call us to turn away from our own selfish interests, to take up our cross, and to follow you.

To find our lives, may we live them in service of your mission.

As we come before you to worship, give us open hearts and open hands.

Make us eager to hear your voice and seek your guidance.

Open our minds to your ever-present spirit that is always moving within and around us.

Open our spirits to your nudging and open our lives to your love.

Opening Prayer

Hymn: This Is God's Wondrous World VU 296

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Great Spirit, Creator of all, we come before you with humble hearts, acknowledging our shortcomings and the ways in which we have failed to honour the wisdom and dignity of the Indigenous Peoples of these lands. We confess that we have too often remained silent in the face of injustice and have not always taken the necessary steps toward healing and reconciliation. We admit that we have sometimes perpetuated harmful stereotypes, neglected to listen to the voices of Indigenous communities, and been slow to confront our own biases and prejudices. Forgive us, O God, for the times when our actions and inactions have contributed to the pain and suffering of Indigenous Peoples.

Responsive Psalm:

Psalm 86 VU 803

Scripture

Jeremiah 20:7-12

Matthew 10:24-39

Arden Anthem: How Long Has It Been

Henderson and Mountian Grove Hymn:

Great is Thy Faithfulness VU 288

Sermon: God, We Need to Talk!

Offertory Hymn: Grant Us, God, the Grace VU 540

Offering Dedication

Prayers of the People and Lords Prayer VU 960

Hymn: God of the Sparrow VU 229

Benediction