



The United Church of Canada
Prairie Spirit Pastoral Charge
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Trinity and First United
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World Communion Sunday

Musical Prelude:

Welcome and Announcements:

Remembering the Land:

Passing the Peace:

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Call to Worship: – based on Psalm 19:1; Philippians 3:14

One: The heavens are telling the glory of God

All: **May our worship reflect God's glory.**

One: The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

All: **May we see *all* as God's labour of love.**

One: With love for our Maker,

All: **we respond to the heavenly call of Christ Jesus.**

Opening Prayer:

Lighting our Christ Candle:

We light this candle as a step toward God,
whom Jesus embodied, and in love,
sent us the Holy Spirit – as powerful, and gentle –
as this flame.

Opening Hymn (VU) #401

Worship the Lord

Time for the Young and Young at Heart:

The Apostles Creed (read in unison) (VU) #918

Scripture Readings:

Exodus 20:1-20 This week's Hebrew scripture brings us to the base of Mount Sinai as God establishes a holy covenant with the newly liberated Israelites. Through the gift of the Ten Commandments, God provides a relational framework for community life, moving a former population of enslaved people into a structured, just, and free society.

Matthew 21:33-46 Jesus tells a challenging parable about a landowner, a vineyard, and the tenants who refuse to give the owner his rightful harvest. This passage confronts us with questions of stewardship, accountability, and how we receive the message of Christ—the cornerstone whom the builders rejected.

Message: The Ten Commandment's: A Gift of Grace

Hymn: (MV) #172

God Says

Minute For Mission: Breakfast Club

Mission Prayer: from Song of Faith:

God is creative and self-giving, generously moving in all the near and distant corners of the universe. Nothing exists that does not find its source in God. Our first response to God's providence is gratitude. We sing thanksgiving. Amen

Offertory Doxology: Take My Gifts vs 1

Take my gifts and let me love you,
God who first of all loved me,
Gave me light and food and shelter,
Gave me life and set me free.
Now, because your love has touched me,
I have love to give away;
Now the bread of love is rising,
Loaves of love to multiply!

Prayer of Dedication:

Merciful and gracious God,
you abound in steadfast love and faithfulness.
With gratitude, we bring our gifts to you.
May you bless these gifts and our lives
that together we may share your mercy and grace
for the world you dearly love. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer:

Service of Communion:

Communion Hymn: (VU) #467

One Bread, One Body

The Story and Words of Institution:

Eucharistic Prayer:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Let us pray....

Song: (MV) # 203

Holy, Holy, Holy

(Servers come forward during the singing)

Distribution:

Come, the table is ready.

Thanks be to God.

Jesus Christ, the Bread of life.

Amen.

Jesus Christ, the True Vine.

Amen.

Post Communion Prayer:

God of abundance,

You have fed us with the bread of life

and the cup of blessing.

You have united us with Christ and one another

and made us one with all your people

in heaven and on earth.

Now, by your Holy Spirit, assist us in our pilgrimage:

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world

and walk in the resurrection of Christ our Saviour, for:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again. Amen.

Sending Hymn: (VU) #481

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

Commissioning and Benediction: (based on Romans 15:5-6)

Take up his song of peace and go into the world!

Take up his song of peace in every moment,

In every moment of the journey, we're laying down our lives;

Lay them down in peace, lay them down and take up his song!

Take up his song of joy and go into the world!

Take up his song of joy in every moment,

In every moment of the journey, we're laying down our lives;

Lay them down in joy, lay them down and take up his song!