



## **TRINITY UNITED CHURCH**

**Sunday, November 22, 2020**

We acknowledge that we meet and live on the traditional territories  
of the Mississauga Anishinaabe People.

We give thanks for their care for the land over thousands of years  
and for their deep spirituality and honouring of the Creator and the creation.  
May we live with respect in God's creation and in harmony with our neighbours

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**REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY**

**PRELUDE:** “Rex Tremendae”  
“Pie Jesu”  
“In Nomine Domine”

Ned Rorem

**LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**

**WELCOME**

**LIFE AND ACTION OF THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH**

**MINUTE FOR MISSION:** The Go Project

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**PRAYER OF APPROACH**

- ◆ **HYMN: VU235<sup>1</sup> (1,3,4) “O Worship the King”**  
O worship the King, all glorious above,  
O gratefully sing God's power and God's love;  
our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendour, and girded with praise.

The earth with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, your power has founded of old;  
has stablished it fast by a changeless decree,  
and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

**TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART:** Judges 4+5 retold by Ralph Milton

**SOLO:** “Blessed Jesus”  
(soloist: Margaret Marris)

Richard Wegner

**GOSPEL READING:** Matthew 25: 14-30

**REFLECTION:** “*But It Is a Good Investment*”

**HYMN: VU563<sup>2</sup> (1-3)** “Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

Jesus, you have come to the lakeshore  
looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones;  
you only asked me to follow humbly.

*Refrain:* O Jesus, with your eyes you have searched me,  
and while smiling, have spoken my name;  
now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me;  
by your side I will seek other seas.

You know so well my possessions;  
my boat carries no gold and no weapons;  
- you will find there my nets and labour. R

You need my hands, full of caring  
through my labours to give others rest,  
and constant love that keeps on loving. R

## **PASTORAL PRAYER**

**LORD'S PRAYER: VU916**

**Eternal Spirit,  
Earth Maker, Pain Bearer, Life Giver,  
Source of all that is and that shall be,  
Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God, in whom is heaven  
The hallowing of your name echo  
through the universe!  
The way of your justice be followed  
by peoples of the world!  
Your heavenly will be done  
By all created beings!  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom  
sustain our hope and come on earth.  
With the bread we need for today, feed us.  
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.  
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.  
From trials too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.  
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,  
Now and for ever. Amen**

**CHOIR ANTHEM:** "From All the Earth Send Up the Song"

Robert Weaver

**OFFERTORY:**

*Your offering may be placed in the plate, as you enter or leave the sanctuary.  
Thank you for your donation.*

**Prayer of Dedication**

◆ **HYMN: VU352<sup>3</sup>** "I Danced in the Morning"

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,  
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,  
and I came from heaven and I danced on the earth;  
at Bethlehem I had my birth.

*Refrain:* Dance, then, wherever you may be;  
I am the Lord of the dance, said he,  
and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,  
and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

I danced for the scribe and the pharisee,  
but they would not dance and they would not follow me;  
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;  
they came with me and the dance went on. R

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame;  
the holy people said it was a shame;  
they whipped and they stripped and they hung me high,  
and left me there on a cross to die. R

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;  
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back;  
they buried my body and they thought I'd gone,  
but I am the dance and I still go on. R

hey cut me down and I leap up high;  
I am the life that will never, never die;  
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;  
I am the Lord of the dance, said he. R

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE:** "O Worship the King"

Alex Rowley

Leading in worship today are Rev. Joanna MacQuarrie; Robert Grandy, Minister of Music; Marjorie Shepherd, Worship Leader; COVID Choir this week is Chris Freeman, Jane Darling, Margaret Marris, Barb Diceman, Karla Buckborough and Dave Freeman. Our sound operator is Scott McMichael and the Sunday custodian is Shawn Loucks. The ushers this week are Gladys McDonald, Lyn Braun, Patrick Cooper, Shelley Evans and Sherry Oldham.

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## TODAY'S MUSIC

**PRELUDE:** Three short pieces by the prolific American composer Ned Rorem (b.1923) open the service today. Turning 97 one month ago, Rorem has stopped composing and is enjoying a relaxed life in New York City. Known more for his art songs, of which he has written over 500, today we hear three short excerpts from his *Organbook II*, written in 1989. The first is entitled “Rex Tremendae”, representing the majesty and awe of God. Next we have a beautiful “Pie Jesu”, perhaps illustrating a softer, quieter side of the Holy; and finally, “In Nomine Domine”, combining both these attributes with the mystery of God. While not everyone’s “cup of tea”, I hope you find something in these three selections that describes God for you.

**CHORAL and VOCAL MUSIC:** “From All the Earth Send Up the Song!” is a hymn, paraphrasing Psalm 100, written by Robert Weaver and arranged into an anthem by William A. Pasch. Robert Weaver’s rousing singable tune with Pasch’s paraphrase of the Psalm make a suitable anthem for any time of the year, but especially on this Christ the King Sunday, where we are asked to make a joyful noise to the Lord.

*From all the earth send up the song. Shout glad hosannas loud and long! Serve joyfully!  
Our God adore. Acclaim God's honor evermore!*

*Great God, Creator, Source of all, both keeps and guards us when we fall. One flock in  
our Good Shepherd's fold, we feast on bounties yet untold.*

*The gates of glory beckon here. Come, bless God's name. Give thanks. Draw  
near. God's mercies last through all our days. New psalms spring forth in grateful  
praise!*

*Our God is true from age to age. Our God is good beyond our gauge.  
Our God is faithful, ever sure. God's kindness, love, and grace endure!*

The theme of God as Shepherd is featured in three of the appointed scriptures today. In Richard Wegner’s adaptation of Gabriel Fauré’s beautiful “Pie Jesu” (from his famous

*Requiem*) we hear God described as a “gentle shepherd” and we ask God “to help us ever follow thee”.

*Blessed Jesus, Lord and God, we, thy children, follow thee, we would always follow thee. Gentle Shepherd, lead us now in the paths of righteousness. Though we walk in shadowed vale, filled with foes who would assail, Thou art by us with thy love, leading us to heav’n above.*

*Blessed Jesus, Lord and God, we, thy children follow thee, we would always follow thee; help us ever follow thee.*

**POSTLUDE:** The familiar hymn “O Worship the King” gets a majestic treatment in the Choral Prelude on “Hanover” by the British composer Alec Rowley (1892-1958). Filled with rapid flourishes and trumpet statements of the tune, this piece epitomizes his style. Not one to dabble into dissonant music, his language is quite tonal, romantic and sometimes overly sentimental. Much of his music was written for amateur musicians to play, sing and enjoy.

## OFFERING

Your donations are appreciated and used carefully to further Christ’s work in the community.

### **4 ways to Donate**

1. **Envelopes** on plate at entrance to sanctuary.
2. Cheques placed in **secure mailbox** beside main door of church
3. **PAR** (pre-authorized remittance monthly). Contact church office and they will make arrangements.
4. Electronically through **e-transfer** or by using **Canada Helps**, a Canadian not-for-profit organization. Just go to Trinity’s web page <http://trinitypeterborough.com> and click on the ‘Donate Now’ button located at the upper right hand side of the page. Canada Helps will issue a tax receipt in Trinity’s name.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The video of our services are published each Monday on our Facebook page and our website.

### **Next Sunday**

Sunday, November 29 marks the beginning of Advent and as always we will celebrate communion at that time. This year we are taking all precautions to ensure that each member of the congregation will receive communion at their pew and with all health and safety protocols in place. Details on how communion will be served will be discussed in the next Friday’s Update.

### **Family Share – School for Young Moms**

This will be the 11<sup>th</sup> year that Trinity has provided gifts for the moms and babies at the School for Young Moms. With pandemic restrictions in place, donations this year may only be made by cash or cheque. Money can be left in the secure mailbox at the Reid Street entrance to Trinity from now until Thursday, December 2. If you are unable to

come to Trinity, Garry & Noreen Lister will come to your residence on Friday, December 3, to pick it up following all COVID protocols. **Please make cheques payable to Peterborough Child and Family Centre and reference SYM on the memo line.** Noreen will purchase gifts with the donations received. The Peterborough Child and Family Centre will issue tax receipts for all donations over \$20. Please make sure that your name and address are on the cheque in order for this to be done. If you have any questions, please contact Noreen Lister at (705) 742-6574.

### **Trinity Kids Online**

This is a new addition to our website and features activities and crafts for children. New this week is a Christmas Poinsettia 'How-to' video craft with Rianna. Grandparents might enjoy doing this craft with their grandkids. You can find us on our website at [trinitypeterborough.com](http://trinitypeterborough.com). Go to the drop down list on the Home page to find Trinity Kids Online. Material kits are available by contacting the church office.

### **Virtual Bizarre Bazaar**

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church will be hosting its' annual Christmas Bazaar online this year. There will be a selection of homemade meat and fruit pies, jams and jellies, baked goods , Christmas wreaths and more. Please visit their website at [www.stpaulspeterborough.ca](http://www.stpaulspeterborough.ca) for ordering. Pickup and delivery will take place on Saturday, November 28.

### **Kawartha Food Share**

This year we will not be able to collect food items in our big green container. We would like to remind you that the need is great this year with close to 9000 men, women and children being served each month by Kawartha Food Share. We encourage you to donate directly to them. For every dollar donated they are able to distribute \$6 worth of food. Cash donations allow Kawartha Food Share to get food through many different sources including bulk purchases, food drives and other food programs. Cash donations also let them purchase food that are needed the most.

### **Looking Ahead**

December 3: 7 – 8 pm Zoom sing-a-long of Advent Hymns

December 17: 7-8 pm Zoom sing a long of Christmas Carols

Details on how to join in these two events will be made available shortly.

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