

**TRINITY UNITED CHURCH
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**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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World Food Sunday

We Welcome All who Worship with us this morning

PRELUDE: Rhapsody on “Lasst Uns Erfreuen” Gilles Maurice Leclerc

WELCOME

LIFE and ACTION of the COMMUNITY OF FAITH

CHOIR: “From the Rising of the Sun” F.A. Gore Ouseley

CENTRING

PRAYER OF APPROACH:¹ (in unison)

Holy One,

We come this morning full of ourselves:
our concerns, our plans, our opinions,
our schedules.

During this time of worship and beyond,
help us to empty our minds of the relentless “I”
and to make space for you.

Enable us to put down our priorities,
to set aside our assumptions and schemes.
Open our hearts and minds to recognize and
to be transformed by your love in action in our lives.
Reassure us of your divine purpose and offer us rest
in the promise of your unending care. Amen

HYMN: VU411² “O God We Call” (Sung 3 X)
(first time: Choir; second & third time: All)

O God we call. O God we call.

From deep inside we yearn, from deep inside we yearn,
From deep inside we yearn for you.

PSALM 98: VU818³ (Refrain Two)

Refrain: All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

Sing to God a new song,

for God has done marvellous things.

Your right hand and your holy arm have brought victory.

**You have made known your salvation,
and revealed before the nations your saving power.**

You have remembered your steadfast love
and faithfulness to the house of Israel;

all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. R

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

break into joyous praise, sing psalms.

Sing psalms to God with the harp,

with the harp and melodious voice.

With trumpets, and the sound of the horn

make a joyful noise before our sovereign God. R

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,

the world, and its inhabitants.

Let the rivers clap their hands,

the hills sing together for joy before God.

You come to judge the earth, O God,

**to judge the world with righteousness,
and the peoples with equity. R**

CHOIR: “Take My Life and Let It Be”

Daniel Nelson

GOSPEL READING: Mark 6: 6b -13

EPISTLE READING: 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10

REFLECTION: “You’re the Message”

HYMN: VU578⁴ “As a Fire is Meant for Burning” (Tune VU374)

As a fire is meant for burning with a bright and warming flame,
so the church is meant for mission, giving glory to God's name.
Not to preach our creeds or customs, but to build a bridge of care,
we join hands across the nations, finding neighbours everywhere.

We are learners; we are teachers; we are pilgrims on the way.
We are seekers; we are givers; we are vessels made of clay.
By our gentle, loving actions, we would show that Christ is light.
In a humble, listening Spirit, we would live to God's delight.

As a green bud in the springtime is a sign of life renewed,
so may we be signs of oneness mid earth's peoples, many-hued.

As a rainbow lights the heavens when a storm is past and gone,
may our lives reflect the radiance of God's new and glorious dawn.

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN: VU375⁵ "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

Refrain: Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
blow thro' the wilderness calling and free,
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness stir me from placidness,
Wind, Wind on the sea.

You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons you called to each thing:
wake from your slumbers and rise on your wings. R

You swept thro' the desert, you stung with the sand,
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;
and when they were blinded with their idols and lies,
then you spoke thro' your prophets to open their eyes. R

You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;
and down in the city you called once again,
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind. R

You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes,
from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams,
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes,
with bold new decisions your people arise. R

COMMISSIONING

SUNG BENEDICTION: VU962⁶

May the blessing of God go before you.
May God's grace and peace abound.
May God's Spirit live within you.
May God's love wrap you 'round.
May God's blessing remain with you always.
May you walk on holy ground.

POSTLUDE: Chorale Prelude on "Lasst Uns Erfreuen"

Paul Manz

Leading in worship today are Rev. Joanna MacQuarrie; Robert Grandy, Minister of Music; Karla Buckborough, Worship Leader; Chris Freeman, Mary Rawlings, Anne Campbell, Barb Diceman, Karla Buckborough, Margaret Marris, COVID Choir and Dave Freeman, Choir and Technical Production.

Credits:

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet."

- Frederick Buechner, *Wishful Thinking: A Seeker's ABC*

TODAY'S MUSIC

ORGAN MUSIC: The words to the well-known hymn "All Creatures of Our God and King" come from the pen of St. Francis of Assisi, as translated by William Draper. St. Francis saw all of nature and everything – including death – as praising God. Today we have two organ pieces based on this hymn, sung to the 1623 German tune "Lasst Uns Erfreuen". The first is by Canadian composer Gilles Maurice Leclerc, organist of Église Saint-François d'Assise in Ottawa since 1977. His "Rhapsodie" on that tune was commissioned for the 2003 RCCO National Convention. Commencing quietly on the string stops, it builds majestically to a colourful middle section, then gradually dies away.

Today's Postlude is by the prolific American composer and organist, Paul Manz (1919-2009). His setting pits the reeds of the organ with the strong diapasons, using both echo effects and straightforward harmonizations of the tune.

ANTHEMS: "From the Rising of the Sun" by Sir Frederick Arthur Gore Ouseley (1825-1889) is a short and unpretentious anthem, written in a hymn-like style. As with all his church music, he allows the words to speak clearly to the listener. Ouseley was an Anglo-Catholic minister at St. Barnabas' Church, Pimlico. The anthem's text from the Book of Malachi echoed his own Anglo-Catholicism, especially with the words "and in every place incense shall be offered up".

From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same my Name shall be great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered unto my Name: for my name shall be great among the heathen, thus saith the Lord.

“Take My Life and Let It Be” is a chant-like anthem from the pen of Daniel Nelson, one-time Choral Director and Professor at universities in Montana and Wisconsin. The text is by Frances Havergal (1836-1879). Miss Havergal, during a visit with friends, prayed that God would use her witness to win all ten members of this family to Christ. On the last night of her visit, twelve couplets came to her mind dealing with true consecration, which involves mind, body, words, deeds, intellect, will, money, possession, and the whole self. The final couplet integrates and sums all these up with “Ever, only, ALL for Thee!” Similar to Leclerc’s organ Rhapsody, this anthem starts off quietly, builds to the text “it shall be Thy royal throne”, then gradually diminishes to the end.

*Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of Thy love. Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee. 1

Take my voice, and let me sing always, only for my King. Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from Thee.

Take my will, and make it Thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is Thine own; it shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store. Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee.

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Sunday, November 1, 2020 at 11 AM

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via email on
Thursday, October 29

