

Order of Service

June 26, 2022

Candle-Lighting

Welcome & announcements

- * Land Acknowledgement
- * Celebrations & Concerns
- * Birthdays & Anniversaries
- * Dedication of the Offering

Doxology

(VU 315)

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons: Blessed Trinity!

Call to worship Psalm 112: 1-8

Happy are they who fear the Lord and have great delight in his commandments!

**Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last for ever.

**Light shines in the darkness for the upright;
the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice.

**For they will never be shaken;
the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
They will not be afraid of any evil rumours;
their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.**

Their heart is established and will not shrink,
until they see their desire upon their enemies.

**They have given freely to the poor,
and their righteousness stands fast for ever;**

they will hold up their head with honour.

Family of God, from whom does our help come?

**Our help comes from the Lord,
the maker of heaven and earth.**

Psalm 124:8

Opening hymn: The church in the wildwood

1

There's a church in the valley by the wildwood,
No lovelier spot in the dale;
No place is so dear to my childhood
As the little brown church in the vale.

Oh, come, come, come, come,

*Come to the church in the wildwood,
Oh, come to the church in the vale;
No spot is so dear to my childhood
As the little brown church in the vale.*

2

Oh, come to the church in the wildwood,
To the trees where the wild flowers bloom;
Where the parting hymn will be chanted,
We will weep by the side of the tomb.

3

How sweet on a clear Sunday morning,
To list to the clear ringing bell;
Its tones so sweetly are calling,
Oh come to the church in the vale.

4

From the church in the valley by the wildwood,
When day fades away into night,
I would fain from this spot of my childhood
Wing my way to the mansions of light.

Prayer and confession

Creator God, You have made a world of such amazing diversity –

Minister continues with Prayer...

**Creator God,
The diversity in your creation amazes us
but we confess we prefer what seems familiar.
We'd like everyone to speak our language.
We wish others held our values and shared our customs.
We don't understand discrimination that hurts others.
We don't recognize how our own preferences
affect other people and the earth itself in harmful ways.
Forgive our familiar assumptions,
and open our minds and hearts to the stories of others
and the cries of suffering throughout the earth.**

Assurance of pardon

Greeting Christ in All of Us - Passing the Peace

The Ministry of Music

Children's hymn: Three things I promise

MV 176

1.

Three things I promise, Holy God,
in age and youth, in life and death:
to bless your Name, and cling to Christ,
and listen for the Spirit's breath.

2.

Your love unfolded time and space,
and life, and all that life became,
and so, with thankful heart and voice,
through good and ill, I bless your Name.

3.

I follow, serve, and cling to Christ
amid our culture's tides and trends,
for here your Name is most revealed:
Majestic Love, and Best of Friends.

4.

Enlivened as the Spirit moves
to cleanse, awaken, and renew,
I pray that justice, peace, and truth,
may seed and grow in all I do.

5.

If I should live when vigour fades,
and family and friends are gone,
three acts of loving faith remain
when days are slow, and work is done.

6.

Revive and guide me, Living God,
as day by day, until my death,
I bless your Name, and cling to Christ,
and listen for the Spirit's breath.

A time for all God's children

Today's scripture readings: Galatians 5: 16-26 (NLT)

So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves. The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions. But when you are directed by the Spirit, you are not under obligation to the law of Moses. When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures, idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarrelling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division, envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God.

But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things! Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to his cross and crucified them there. Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives. Let us not become conceited, or provoke one another, or be jealous of one another.

Sermon: One of two winds

The Lord's Supper

Communion Hymn Come, Let us Sing (vv 1&2) VU 574

1

Come, let us sing of a wonderful love,
tender and true, tender and true,
out of the heart of the Father above,
streaming to me and to you:
wonderful love, wonderful love
dwells in the heart of the Father above.

2

Jesus the Saviour this gospel to tell
joyfully came, joyfully came,
came with the helpless and hopeless to dwell,
sharing their sorrow and shame,
seeking the lost, seeking the lost,
saving, redeeming at measureless cost.

Welcome to the Lord's Table

The Warrant

Prayer over the Bread & Distribution

Communion Hymn *Come, Let us Sing (vv 3&4)* VU 574

3

Jesus is seeking the wanderers yet;
why do they roam? why do they roam?
Love only waits to forgive and forget;
home, weary wanderers, home!
Wonderful love, wonderful love

dwells in the heart of the Father above.

4

Come to my heart, O thou wonderful love!
Come and abide, come and abide,
lifting my life till it rises above
envy and falsehood and pride:
seeking to be, seeking to be
lowly and humble, a learner of thee.

Prayer over the Cup & Distribution

Prayer after Communion - The Lord's Prayer

Closing hymn: Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah VU 651

1

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
hold me with thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me till I want no more,
feed me till I want no more.

2

Open now the crystal fountain,
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield,
be thou still my strength and shield.

3

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,

land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.

Benediction & The Grace

Three-Fold Amen