Welcome and Announcements



We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the traditional territories of the people of the Treaty 7 region in Southern Alberta.

Lighting the Christ Candle

Come and Find the Quiet Centre

*Voices United #374

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Come and find the quiet centre in the crowded life we lead, find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed: clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace, God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, face to face, making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun, raising courage when we're shrinking, finding scope for faith begun.

In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain, let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain: there's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care, in the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare! (LV)

Call to Worship

L: As we gather here today, may the peace of Christ be upon this house of worship.P: As we come together, may God's grace rest on us as we pray, sing and listen to

the message.

L: May our time together ignite in us a desire to go out and share the peace and love of Christ with others.

P: Let us worship God, singing and praising God's wonderful love for all.

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Let Us With A Gladsome Mind

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Let us with a gladsome mind praise our God, forever kind; whose great mercies still endure, ever faithful, ever sure. God, with all-commanding might, filled the newmade world with light; for God's mercies still endure, ever faithful, ever sure. God has with a gracious eye looked upon our misery; for God's mercies still endure, ever faithful, ever sure. All things living God does feed, with full measure meets their need; for God's mercies still endure, ever faithful, ever sure. Let us then with gladsome mind, praise our God, forever kind; whose great mercies still endure, ever faithful, ever sure. (LV)

Gathering Prayer

L:Heavenly Father, In Christ's name, we ask these things. P: Amen.

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Story Time for all ages

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

*Voices United #205

*VU # 205 Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song - All 3 verses: Hope Publishing: Reprinted / Podcast with permission under ONE LICENSE #734505-A. All rights reserved. Like the murmur of the dove's song, like the challenge of her flight, like the vigour of the wind's rush, like the new flame's eager might: come, Holy Spirit, come. To the members of Christ's body, to the branches of the Vine, to the church in faith assembled, to our midst as gift and sign: come, Holy Spirit, come.

With the healing of division, with the ceaseless voice of prayer, with the power to love and witness, with the peace beyond compare: come, Holy Spirit, come. (LV)



Scripture

L: A Word of God that is still speaking, P: Thanks be to God.



Message

Come, Let Us Sing

Verses 1,2 & 4

*Voices United #222

*VU # 222 Come, Let Us Sing –Words, Music: Jim Strathdee 1970. Desert Flower Music. Reprinted/Podcast with permission under ONE LICENSE #734505-A. All rights reserved. Come, let us sing to the Lord our song, we have stood silently too long; surely the Lord deserves our praise, so joyfully thank God for our days. O thirsty soul, come drink at the well; God's living waters will never fail. Surely the Lord will help you to stand, strengthened and comforted by God's hand.

Deserts shall bloom and mountains shall sing to the desire of all living things. Come, all you creatures, high and low, let your praises endlessly flow. (LV)

The Offering



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Sung Dedication

Grant Us, God, the Grace

*Voices United #540

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Grant us, God, the grace of giving, with a spirit large and free, that ourselves and all our living we may offer faithfully. (LV)

Prayer

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Come Touch Our Hearts – Verses 1-2

*More Voices #12

*MV #12 Come Touch Our Hearts: Words, Music: Gordon Light 2002. Arrangement: Andrew Donaldson. Common Cup. Reprinted/Podcast with permission under ONE LICENSE #734505-A. All rights reserved.

Come touch our hearts that we may know compassion, from failing embers build a blazing fire; love strong enough to overturn injustice, to seek a world more gracious, come touch and bless our hearts.

Come touch our souls that we may know and love you, your quiet presence all our fears dispel; create a space for spirit to grow in us, let life and beauty fill us, come touch and bless our souls. (LV)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

We Are Pilgrims

Verses 1; 3-4

*Voices United #595

* VU # 595 We Are Pilgrims: Words, Music, Arrangement: Richard Gillard 1977. Marantha Music. Reprinted/Podcast with permission under ONE LICENSE #734505-A. All rights reserved. We are pilgrims on a journey, fellow travellers on the road; we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load. I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of your fear;I will hold my hand out to you,speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping, when you laugh I'll laugh with you; I will share your joy and sorrow, till we've seen this journey through. (LV)

Commissioning and Blessing

P: We go to love the Lord our God with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind, with all our strength, and to love our neighbour as ourselves. Amen.

L: May the grace of Christ, the love of God, and the joy of the Holy Spirit be with you now and always. Amen.

God, Take My Hand (Verses 1-2) *Voices United #638

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God, take my hand and lead me upon life's way; direct, protect and feed me from day to day. Without your grace and favour l go astray; so take my hand, O Saviour, and lead the way.

God, when the tempest rages, I need not fear; for you, the Rock of Ages, are always near. Close by your side abiding, I fear no foe, for when your hand is guiding, in peace I go. (LV)

Sharing the Peace

MAY THE PEACE OF CHRIST BE WITH YOU

And also with you!

Please join us for Coffee and Fellowship in the Library after the service!