

# NEWCASTLE UNITED CHURCH

June 16, 2024 10:30 am

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"As followers of Christ, we are called to be a worshipping and learning, receiving and giving community of faith, hope and love."

Newcastle United Church Mission Statement

As we gather as a faith community, we acknowledge that we are on sacred land rich in the legacy, culture, and spirituality of the Indigenous people. It is home to many First Nations, Inuit, and Métis people. We acknowledge that we live and work on land that is under the Williams Treaty, which has been the traditional territory of the Anishinaabeg, Huron-Wendat and Haudenosaunee Nations, as well as many other Indigenous nations. These lands today are under the care of the Mississauga's of the New Credit First Nations people.

We acknowledge this land, out of respect for the many Indigenous nations who have cared for the lands and waterways from the beginning of time and continue to do so. Today we are grateful for the opportunity to live, work, and to worship on their traditional lands.

We are committed to learn and understand the truth of our shared history, confronting our past and present so that we can strive to build a future together upon true reconciliation, living out what the original ancestors of Turtle Island envisioned: sharing the resources of the land and waterways, and to live in harmony with one another as one people.

# Approaching God With Praise

#### Welcome

## Land Acknowledgement

#### **Announcements**

\* Indicates for congregation to stand as you are able.

Prelude (A centering time) "O Stor Gud" (How Great Thou Art) arranged by Jerry Ray

"Don't ask yourself what the world needs. Ask yourself what makes you come alive, and go do that, because what the world needs is people who have come alive." (Howard Thurman)

# **Lighting the Christ Candle**

Spirit of Life, Cradle of beginnings, Your Light of Life shines through it all. Let the light from this Christ Candle shine through all of the wonders and mysteries of creation, revealing your living presence.

# Call To Worship

L: Holy One, you call us to breathe in the mystery of creation, to walk by faith.

A: Yet we long for plans with goals and schedules rejecting the idea to live by faith alone.

L:You call us to place our trust in you, to live according to your direction.

A: We want our lives to make sense from a human point of view. It's hard to live by faith alone.

L: You call us to feel the mystery of life in our lives and to marvel at your love that has no boundaries.

A: It's not easy to accept your promises based in love that cultivate new beginnings. It's hard to live by faith alone.

L: Forgive us, Holy Maker of reality.

A: Forgive us for playing god instead of accepting our humanity.

(By Peter Bankson modified by Rev. B Ransom)

\*Opening Hymn MV 135 "Called By Earth And Sky" vv. 1-4

## **CHORUS**

Called by earth and sky, promise of hope held high
This is our sacred living trust, treasure of life sanctified, called by earth and sky.

Precious these waters, endless seas, deep ocean's dream waters of healing, rivers of rain, the wash of love again. CHORUS

# Announcements

June 16th, 2024

Welcome! We enjoy open seating, so please, sit where you feel comfortable, and meet a new friend.

Today's Greeters are Roy and Rosanne Watts.

Biblos and Announcements Reader is Brian Reid.

Bible Study is on hiatus until Sept 18th.

### **Coffee Time**



Please join us after today's service for Coffee/Tea in the Hall. Today's treats are being brought to you by Mission and Service.

# **Summer Holidays**

Reminder that the summer holidays will for the month of July. There will be no services. Meetings and rentals will continue.

#### **Anne Harrison**

Reminder of service on June 22<sup>nd</sup> for Anne Harrison, at the church, at 11 am with refreshments to follow in the church hall.

https://www.newcastlefuneralhome.com/obituaries/ /Anne-Patricia-Harrison?obId=31194696

YouTube link to the service (live on the day of) <a href="https://studio.youtube.com/video/iqF\_dXTR3ok/edit">https://studio.youtube.com/video/iqF\_dXTR3ok/edit</a>

# Broadview(Observer) Renewal

If you are interested in renewing your subscription to Broadview, see Lynne in the office. Group Subscription is \$30. We need  $\frac{5}{2}$  more subscriptions.

# **Key Chains**

We have new key chains to celebrate our upcoming 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. \$5 each. See Lynne in the office.

#### Cookbook

Do you have a favourite recipe? The Committee organizing the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is looking for your favourite recipes to be included in a book. Look for sheets in the narthex or in the office. Return completed sheets to the Office.

# We are now live streaming services...

Go to....

http://bit.ly/47uMdHt

Or go to YouTube and Search: Newcastle United Church

Service will begin streaming at 10:30



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our interim treasurer, Susan at 289-927-6297 or treasurer@newcastleunitedchurch.org

Thank you for your donations which make our continued ministry possible.

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Precious this gift, the air we breathe; wind born and free.
Breath of the Spirit, blow through this place, our gathering and our grace. CHORUS

Precious these mountains, ancient sands; vast fragile land.
Seeds of our wakening, rooted and strong, Creation's faithful song. CHORUS

Precious the fire that lights the way, bright dawning day. Fire of passion, sorrows undone, our faith and justice one.

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Called by earth and sky.
Words and Music: Pat Mayberry

\*Opening Prayer (In Unison)

Creator, your mystery is encapsulated in every nook and cranny of creation. Your presence is intertwined in our thoughts and in every action that we make. Living Spirit, open our ears once again to your voice that calls us into your reality where good news is proclaimed, where community is sustained and through love, where forgiveness and reconciliation are freely given and welcomed - where all are welcomed.

Assure us of your presence once again to trust in Your holy mystery of life as we worship in Christ's name. Amen

# Listening For The Spirit Of God Through The Word

**Scripture Reading:** 

Hebrew Text - Old Testament 1 Samuel 15:34 - 16:13

# Response

L: For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us, A: We give praise for the presence of God through the Word.

\*Hymn MV 161 vv. 1-4
"I Have Called You By Name"
I have called you by your name, you are mine;
I have gifted you and ask you now to shine.
I will not abandon you; all my promises are true.
You are gifted, called, and chosen; you are mine.

I will help you learn my name as you go; read it written in my people, help them grow. Pour the water in my name, speak the word your soul can claim, offer Jesus' body given long ago.

I know you will need my touch as you go; feel it pulsing in creation's ebb and flow. Like the woman reaching out, choosing faith in spite of doubt, hold the hem of Jesus' robe, then let it go.

I have given you a name, it is mine; I have given you my Spirit as a sign. With my wonder in your soul, make my wounded children whole; go and tell my precious people they are mine. Words and Music: Daniel Charles Damon

Reflection: "Yes, You!"

Ministry of Music: "Put Your Hand In the Hand" Composed by Gene MacLellan

# **Our Response**

Invitation to The Offering

\*The Offertory Hymn MV 34 v. 1 "All Is Done For The Glory Of God"

All is done for the glory of God. Amen! Amen! All depends upon our glorious God. Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen! Amen! All is done for the glory of God. Amen! Amen!

Words and music: Abel Nkuinii

# **Dedication Of The Offering**

# **Prayers of the People**

vv. 1-4 \*Closing Hymn: VU 507 "Today We Are Called to be Disciples"

# \*Commissioning & Benediction

\*Sung Blessing - "Go Now In Peace" Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know God will quide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen, amen, amen. Words can be found on the screens or in front of Hymn book.