

GROWING, CARING, MAKING A DIFFERENCE



THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA
IN ELGIN AND PORTLAND

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October 10th, 2021 - **Thanksgiving Sunday**

✠ indicates when those who are able will please stand

Welcome, Announcements and Minute for Mission

We live and work and worship on treaty land. As we celebrate the rich bounty of harvest from local gardens from other places – fruits, vegetables, grains from the fields, the last of summer's flowers, and a rich array of autumn leaves – we are reminded that we are called into right relationship with the land and our neighbors. We affirm the need to implement the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and to strive for reconciliation.

Dora White, Minnedosa, U.C. Minnedosa, Manitoba,

Lighting Of Christ Candle

We light this candle to remind us that we, meaning all people, are not alone. God is with us all. AMEN

God in My Week - Sharing and Caring - Birthdays & Anniversaries

Spiritual Focus: **Do You Believe That God Provides More Than We Need??**

WE APPROACH GOD

✠ Call to Worship:

One: For the bounty of the harvest, for the colors of the fall,

All: **thanks be to God.**

One: For the miracle of bird migration, for the ingenuity of hibernation,

All: **thanks be to God.**

One: For the glories of the earth all around us,

All: **we give thanks to God, our Creator.**

One: In a spirit of humanity and thankfulness, come let us worship God as one, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

✠ **Opening Hymn: VU # 296 "This is God's wondrous world"**

✠ **Opening Prayer**

✠ **Passing the Peace of Christ**

Let us show the sign of peace to those around us as we continue in God's presence.

Presentation By The Bell Choir - Psalm of Gratitude

Jason W. Krug

WE LISTEN FOR WISDOM

Introduction To The Word: (together)

All: The prophets proclaim: "They shall all be taught by God."
Listen for the word of God.

Scripture:

1 Chronicles 16: 8 – 13 "David's Song of Thanksgiving"

Matthew 6: 25-33 "Do not worry about what you will eat or drink"

Ministry of Music: "And All The People Said Amen" Morgan Wright

Reflection "An Attitude of Gratitude!"

Hymn: MV # 115 "Behold, Behold, I Make all Things New" (x2)

Prayers of the People, Offering Prayer, and the Lord's Prayer

WE GO FORTH AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Closing Hymn: VU # 567 "Will you come and follow me."

Commissioning, Benediction, and Choral Blessing (Sung)

VU # 958 (x2)

Halle, halle, hallelujah, halle, halle, hallelujah

Halle, halle, hallelujah,

Hallelujah, hallelujah.

Postlude

Consideration for All: As we gradually return to public worship, we reiterate that Covid-19 is still a reality in our society. We must continue to maintain social distancing rules and hand sanitizing as needed. **WE ARE NOT YET BACK TO THE PREVIOUS NORMAL WAY OF DOING THINGS IN THE CHURCH BEFORE THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.** We will continue to adopt a gradual, considered, and structured approach to our public worship, until further notice.

Scripture Readers

As we return to our more usual format of worship services, we are starting to use scripture readers again. For now, readers will use the standing mic beside the piano. Please sign up on the list on the bulletin board - you can pick your date! Should you happen to forget to do this after worship you can call the office on Wednesday or Thursday and Annette will happily put your name in.

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