

November 04, 2018

24th Sunday after Pentecost

Long Reach United 9:30 AM

All Saints Day

Westfield United 11:00 AM

*Two Rivers Pastoral Charge
An Affirming Ministry of the United Church of Canada*

WE GATHER IN HOPE

Prelude

* indicates "to stand as able"

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Acknowledging the Traditional Territory

"As we gather to worship, let us pause to remember that in this region we live and work and worship on lands that are, by law, the unceded territories of the Wabanaki peoples – predominantly the lands of the Mi'kmaq, Maliseet, Passamaquoddy and Penobscot. May we live with respect on this land and live in peace and friendship with its people."

Welcome Bienvenue Kulashkuk

Life and Work of the Church

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Gathering Music: *"We Are One"* *Voices United 402 v.1*

**We are one as we come,
as we come, joyful to be here,
in the praise on our lips
there's a sense that God is here.
We are one as we sing
as we seek, we are found;
and we come needful of God's grace
as we meet, together in this place.**

Call to Worship:

God be with you
and also with you.

As we gather to worship,

We are surrounded by a "great cloud of witnesses" –
all of the saints of the church,
women and men who have come before us in faith.

Peter, Mary, Martha, Paul and Lydia;

Augustine, Clare, Francis and Hildegard;

Luther, Calvin, Elizabeth and Wesley;

Dorothy Day, Oscar Romero and Corrie ten Boom;

Our grandparents, parents, neighbours and friends.

May our hearts and voices draw courage and strength
in knowing that we are not alone.

Let us worship God!

Opening Prayer:

Almighty God,

throughout the centuries,

you have called women and men

to be your church;

and you have gifted them

by the Holy Spirit

for the work you called them to.

As we gather today as your church,

**strengthen us, by word and sacrament,
so that we too**

can live your love in the world.

We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ,

who gathers the church together.

Amen

***Opening Hymn:** *"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"*
Voices United 378

Prayer of Awareness:

God of our deepest longings,
we know what you call us to do,
and yet sometimes that is so difficult.
Jesus told us that the greatest commandments
are to love you and to love our neighbour;
and yet sometimes we haven't loved you with our whole heart,
and sometimes we haven't loved our neighbour as ourselves.
Change our hearts, O God,
so that your love can flow through us,
and overflow to the world around us.
Amen.

Moment for Silent Reflection

Words of Assurance

Sharing the Peace of Christ

May the peace of Christ be always with you.
And also with you.
Let us share a sign of peace and reconciliation with
our neighbours.

WE LISTEN WITH HOPE

A Story for All Ages

Scripture Readings: *Deuteronomy 6: 1-9*
Leviticus 19: 18
Mark 12: 28-34

Reader: *This is the witness of God's people.*

Musical Selection

Reflection

***Hymn:** *"Love is the Touch"* More Voices 89

WE RESPOND IN HOPE

Pastoral Prayer

Offering Invitation & Offering

***Offertory Hymn:** *"In Gratitude and Humble Trust"*
Voices United 544

In gratitude and humble trust
we bring our best today
to serve your cause and share your love
with all along life's way.
O God, who gave yourself to us
in Jesus Christ, your Son,
teach us to give ourselves each day
until life's work is done.

***Offertory Prayer:**

God of endless love,
accept these gifts given in love,
and by your love,
transform them
so that your love can spread.
We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ,
who lived and taught your love.
Amen.

Communion Hymn: *"As We Gather at Your Table"*
Voices United 457

Communion:

Invitation

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up our hearts.

We lift them to God.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God,
for you have been with us since before the beginning...

...And so we join our thanks and praise
with the song of all creation
saying:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
God of vulnerable love,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

As we gather here at this table,
we remember that Jesus,
on the night before he died,
gathered with his friends around a table...

... and as we remember, and as we offer,
we proclaim the mystery of our faith, saying:

**Christ has died.
Christ has risen.
Christ will come again.**

...Send, O God, your Holy Spirit
upon these gifts,
and upon all of us gathered here...

...Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, God most holy,
now and forever. **Amen**

And now we join our voices together in the prayer that Jesus taught
saying:

**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, the
power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen**

Distribution:

Prayer after Communion:

God of all love,
thank you for inviting us to the table,
and thank you for meeting us at the table.

**Keep the taste of the bread and the wine
on our lips and in our hearts
so that we can live your love
everywhere we go.**

**We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ,
the head of the church,
the one in whose name we are called,
and our source of endless hope.**

Amen.

WE SCATTER IN HOPE

Laying The Remembrance Day Wreath (Long Reach)

*Closing Hymn: "My Love Colours Outside the Lines"
More Voices 138

*Commissioning and Benediction:

*Sending Forth: "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 guide 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 within, around, above.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.
Amen, Amen, Amen

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Lectionary Reading for November 11th

Ruth 3: 1-5, 4: 13-17; Psalm 127: 1 Kings 17: 8-16;
Psalm 146; Hebrews 9: 24-28; Mark 12:38-44