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9 a.m.—12 p.m.

### **Welcome**

*A warm welcome is extended to all this morning, especially those who are worshipping at Holy Trinity for the first time. Your presence both enriches us and this time of celebration together.*

### **Order of Worship**

### **All Saints Day**

**Sunday, November 1, 2020**

## WE PREPARE TO WORSHIP GOD

### Lighting of the Christ Candle

#### Acknowledgement of Traditional Territory

*For thousands of years First nations people have walked in this land. Their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and spirituality. We are gathered on the lands represented in the Robinson-Huron Treaty 61 of 1850, the Traditional Territory of the Serpent River and Mississagi people and we acknowledge their stewardship of this land throughout the ages. May we live with respect on this land and live in peace and friendship with its people.*

#### Call to Worship

Beloved of God, let us gather in worship.

**Beloved are all who worship and give thanks.**

Beloved – all who have hungered and who thirst, in body or spirit, let us gather in worship.

**Beloved – all who grieve and mourn, and strive for healing of the soul, let us gather in worship.**

Beloved – all who feel meek, who struggle for power and strength in this overwhelming world, let us gather in worship.

**Beloved – you who have shown mercy, who seek peace, and who stand up for justice, let us gather in worship.**

Beloved are you who follow Jesus' way.

**In our worship, let us hear this invitation to be known and seen by God.** Come, let us gather and hear again the affirmations of Jesus as we worship.

## Prayer of Approach

### Hymn: I Love to Tell the Story, VU# 343

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
Of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;  
It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

#### ***Refrain:***

***I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,  
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.***

I love to tell the story; more wonderful it seems  
Than all the golden fancies of all our golden dreams.  
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
The message of salvation from God's own holy Word. **R**

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best  
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,  
'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. **R**

## Prayer of Confession

**All: It's not "right" in this world to be poor. It's not considered "good" to be weak or vulnerable. We get the message everywhere that success is measured by wealth, power, and privilege, yet we want you to know, Great Creator, that we hear you speaking clearly about what the "right" road is. We hear you inviting us to understand that in our poverty we can find great wealth; in our weakness, we can find surprising strength; and that in our lost-ness we are found by you. We confess, Shepherding Lamb, that we struggle to accept these truths, but we are here to be forgiven, healed, and guided again on right paths. Lead us, we pray. Amen.**

## Assurance of Pardon

### Sharing Peace With One Another



**Hymn: This is the Day That God Has Made, VU # 175**

***Refrain:***

***This is the day that God has made!***

***Rejoice! Rejoice, and be exceeding glad!***

***This is the day that God has made!***

***Rejoice! Rejoice! Hallelujah!***

Christ has conquered death at last,  
Left the tomb that held him fast!  
Gone the sorrow, gone the night,  
Dawns the morning clear and bright! **R**

Jesus lives who once was dead,  
Lives forever, as he said!  
Risen now our Saviour, King;  
Songs of gladness let us sing! **R**



## We Listen to God's Word Spoken to Us

(Today's Reader: Joane Moore)

### **First Reading: 1 John 3:1-3 (KJV)**

<sup>1</sup> Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.

<sup>2</sup> Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

<sup>3</sup> And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

*Psalm 34*, VU pgs. 761-762

### ***Refrain:***

***Know that God is good, know that God is good***

***Know that God is good. God is good. God is good***

I will bless God at all times, God's praise will continually be in my mouth.

**My soul will glory in God, the humble will hear and be glad.**

O magnify God with me, let us exalt God's name together.

**I sought God, who answered me, and freed me from all my fears.**

Look to the Most High, and let your light shine, and your faces will not be ashamed.

**This poor soul cried out and God heard, and saved me from all my troubles. R**

***Refrain:***

***Know that God is good, know that God is good***

***Know that God is good. God is good. God is good***

Your angels, O God, keeps guard over those who fear you and delivers them.

**Taste and see that our God is good. Happy are those who take refuge in God.**

Fear God, you who are the saints, for those who fear God lack nothing. **Strong lions suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek God lack no good thing. R**

Come, my children, and listen to me, I will teach you the fear of God.

**Which of you delights in life, and desires many days to enjoy prosperity?** Keep your tongue from evil, your lips from speaking lies.

Turn away from evil and do good, seek peace and pursue it.

**God's eyes are upon the righteous, God's ears open to their cry.**

God's face is set against evil-doers, to blot out their remembrance from the earth.

**The righteous cry out and God hears them, and rescues them from all their troubles. R**

God is near to the broken-hearted, and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

**Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but God sets them free from every sorrow.**

God guards every bone in their body; not one of them will be broken.

**Evil brings death to the wicked; those who hate the righteous will be condemned.**

But you, God, redeem the life of your servants;

**None who take refuge in you are condemned. R**

## **Gospel: *Matthew 5: 1-12 (NRSV)***

### **The Beatitudes**

<sup>1</sup> When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup> Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

<sup>3</sup> “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>4</sup> “Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

<sup>5</sup> “Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

<sup>6</sup> “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

<sup>7</sup> “Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

<sup>8</sup> “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

<sup>9</sup> “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

<sup>10</sup> “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

<sup>11</sup> “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

**Sermon: *Beloved Saints!***

**Prayers of The Faithful**

**Lord’s Prayer**

## **Moment of Musical Meditation**

### **Pastoral Prayer**

#### **Hymn: In the Bulb There is a Flower, VU # 703**

In the bulb there is a flower;  
In the seed, an apple tree;  
In cocoons, a hidden promise:  
Butterflies will soon be free!  
In the cold and snow of winter  
There's a spring that waits to be,  
Unrevealed until its season,  
Something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence,  
Seeking word and melody;  
There's a dawn in every darkness  
Bringing hope to you and me.  
From the past will come the future;  
What it holds, a mystery,  
Unrevealed until its season,  
Something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning;  
In our time, infinity;  
In our doubt there is believing;  
In our life, eternity.  
In our death, a resurrection;  
At the last, a victory,  
Unrevealed until its season,  
Something God alone can see.



**WE RESPOND TO GOD WITH THE SERVICE OF OUR LIVES**

**Minute for Missions**

**Offertory Invitation**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Hymn: *One More Step, VU # 639 vs. 1, 3, 4***

One more step along the world I go,  
one more step along the world I go;  
from the old things to the new  
keep me traveling along with you:

**Refrain:**

**And it's from the old I travel to the new;  
keep me traveling along with you.**

As I travel through the bad and good,  
keep me traveling the way I should;  
where I see no way to go  
you'll be telling me the way, I know: **R**

Give me courage when the world is rough,  
keep me loving though the world is tough;  
leap and sing in all I do,  
keep me traveling along with you: **R**

## Commissioning and Benediction

### Instrumental Response

# *Announcements*

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item and/or baked goods for the  
Online Christmas Craft and Bake Sale,  
Please contact Sandy Prest at 705-848-5515  
or Elaine West at 705-827-0294.*