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**Pentecost XIX Cosmos Sunday September 25, 2016**

*Good Morning. A warm welcome is extended to each of you.. We hope that your time of worship with us is enjoyable and meaningful for you. Visitors and newcomers are invited to sign our guest book in the Narthex and to join us in the hall after the service for fellowship and coffee. Thank you Marvin Dickau for sharing your musical talents with us.*

**Prelude**

**Announcements**

**GATHERING AS ONE**

**Time of Singing:** “God In the Darkness” MV 17

**Symbols of Worship Processional**

**Minute for Mission**

**Call to Worship**

The mystery of the universe is before us.

**Let us revel in the wonder of God.**

The heavens are open; eternity stretches before us.

**Let us revel in the wonder of God.**

He has set eternity in the human heart, yet we cannot know everything he has done, from the beginning of time to the end.

**Let us revel in the wonder of God.**

Let us stare open-mouthed at the stars, wondering at the depths of the oceans, pondering the mysteries of being.

**Let us revel in the wonder of God.**

**Opening Prayer**

Holy God, who is holy mystery,

You tell us that we shall only look upon the kingdom of heaven if we do so with the wonder of a child.

Keep our hearts open, we pray,

to revel in your wonder, mystery, and awesome chaos,

and to be open to the transforming power of your Spirit within  
that chaos

so that our hearts may be more open to your love

and that we may better share that love with others.

This we pray in the name of your son, our saviour and friend,  
Christ Jesus.

**Amen.**

**Opening Hymn:** “Joyful, Joyful We Adore You” VU232

**Children’s Question Time**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Confessional Chant** “Take, O Take Me” (5X) MV 85

**Prayer for Redemption**

We come before God, acknowledging our struggles, our brokenness, and our faults, and trusting in the power of new life.

Let us pray to God.

Holy God, in earth, sea, and sky,

you are there;

in everything we touch,

in everyone we meet,

your presence is around us.  
You, we have not touched, but trampled, in creation;  
you we have not met, but missed, in one another;  
you we have not received, but rejected, in the poor and outcast.

*The Iona Community*

And so we pray, Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Mother God, blessed Jesus, Holy Spirit,  
**hear our prayer and heal our hearts.**

**Words of Assurance**

### SERVICE OF THE WORD



## THE WORD

**Refrain:**“Your Word is a Lamp to My Feet” (x2) **VU 956**

**Scripture Lessons:**

**Lector: Sarah Newton**

*Scripture is our song for the journey, the living word passed on from generation to generation to guide and inspire, that we might wrestle a holy revelation for our time and place from the human experiences and cultural assumptions of another era. (From A Song of Faith)*

**Old Testament:** Proverbs 8: 22 – 31

**p. 655**

Hear what the Spirit is saying to her church.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Responsive reading:** Psalm 148

**VU871**

**Gospel**

John 6: : 41-51

**NT 101**

The Gospel of Jesus Christ.

**Praise to Christ the Word.**



## Message

### SERVICE OF PRAYER

**Hymn** “Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom” **MV 10**

**Call to offering**

**Doxology:** *Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures high and low;  
Give thanks to God in love made known:  
Creator, Word and Spirit, One. (VU 541)*

**Prayer of Dedication:**

We give you but your own, Holy God,  
that your gifts may be shared with all,  
to do the work of justice on Earth:  
to liberate the captives, heal the sick,  
and attend to all those in need.  
Bless these offerings, we pray,  
in the name of Jesus.

**Amen**

**Prayers of the People**

**Ecumenical prayers:** *Belarus, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine*

**Presbytery Prayers:** *Oliver United Pieter LeRoux*

O God, hear our prayer

**And in your love, answer**

## GOING FORTH

**Closing Hymn** “O Lord My God”

VU238

### **Sending Forth:**

Go tell of the holy mystery:  
the wondrous love of God,  
infinite, unending, and boundless.  
In every word you speak,  
by everything you do,  
make God’s love known through your love.

May grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
be with you now and forever.



**Choral Amen**

### **Choral Benediction:**

*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 watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.  
Amen*

## Announcements

Rev. David’s covenanting service is happening tonight!  
We will have a **pot luck dinner at 5:30** with the **service to follow at 7:00 p.m.** **Rev. Ken Jones** will be here to do the service and take his role as the chair of Presbytery so you will have the opportunity to touch base with him as well. All presbyters have been invited to attend.

Many thanks to everyone who helped so tirelessly at the Alliance Church **Spaghetti Dinner** last night.

The UCW has set **October 5 at 9:00A.M.** as the date and time to clean the windows of the church. If you can come and help just show up. Many hands make light work. The pews and woodwork in the sanctuary have been done thanks to the ladies of the UCW.

**Marvin** would like to start a choir to sing at services every once in a while. We hope there will be a lot of interest, and if you are, please meet at coffee after the service today to discuss the logistics.

## Season of Creation



# Cosmos

*Order out of Chaos*

