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Pentecost XXII

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*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..*

Prelude

Announcements

GATHERING AS ONE

Time of Singing: “Sing Your Joy” **VU 253**

Territorial Acknowledgement

*We recognize and honour the First Nations on whose traditional
unceded territory we gather and worship: The Sinixt, the Ktanaxa, the
Schewepemc, and the Syilx who were here before us. May justice and
reconciliation come to all peoples in the love of the Creator.*

Symbols of Worship Processional

Minute for Mission

Call to Worship

Open my heart (repeat)

Opening Prayer

We gather as your people, Loving God.
Open our hearts to receive your love and your word.
Then, may we always live in your presence,
sharing your perspective,
and being persistent in our efforts
to build justice, compassion, and peace in your world.
In the spirit of Christ, we live and pray.

Amen.

Opening Hymn: “O God Our Help in Ages Past” **VU 806**

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:

Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy.

Christie eleison.

Christ, have mercy.

Kyrie eleison.

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: Josie Woodman

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: Jeremiah 31:27-34 **p. 817**

Hear what the Spirit is saying to her church.

Thanks be to God.

Responsive reading: Psalm 119 Pt. 4 **VU 840**

Gospel Luke 18: 1 – 8 **NT 83**

The Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Praise to Christ the Word.



Message

SERVICE OF PRAYER

Blessing and Dedication of the Prayer Book

(See insert)

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: Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal.

Presbytery Prayers: Cawston United

O God, hear our prayer

And in your love, answer

GOING FORTH

Closing hymn: “Go Make a Difference” **MV 209**

Sending Forth:

Go now in faith and with courage,
praying for God’s spirit to inflame your hearts,
to seek justice and resist evil,

to name Christ's alternative way,
display peacefulness in word, action, and in your being.
Live love, as God is Love to us, for us, and through us.

The blessing and love of God:
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;
our Mother, Friend, and Comforter;
the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of us all;
be with you now and always.



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

Happy Birthday to Sharon Tippe -19th, Marg Kepler 21st,
John Teed 22nd

Thanks to John Teed for looking after the lawn this year. Also
thanks to John and Bruce Granstron for replacing the storm
windows in the sanctuary.

Community Connections is looking for baby layettes. Velda, who
is the one who makes these up is very low on items to put in – in
fact her cupboard is pretty much bare. If you have some gently
used baby clothes, blankets, etc. or would like to make a
donation so some things can be purchased, or would like to go
shopping for some baby things, Velda and the new mothers will
be very happy. This project is an important part of our outreach
service. Please help if you can.

Anyone willing to take on some of the ushering duties? Let me
know.

Rev. David and the worship team will be available after the
service to meet with anyone who would like to give some input
into what you would like to see in our services. This will be very
informal and all suggestions will be welcome.

Soup and a Smile will open its doors again tomorrow. Anyone
got some time to give on Mondays?

Admin and Finance will meet on Tuesday, 18th in the parlour at
8:00 a.m.

UCW meeting on Thursday, 20th in the hall at 1:30 p.m.

Rev. David and Beth will be in Summerland for the Fall
Presbytery meeting from Oct 21st – 23rd. Ken English will be the
worship leader next Sunday.

Just a reminder that you can still get on PAR to have a monthly
donation to the church automatically made. This is a particularly
good way to keep on giving even when you are not able to make
it to church on a weekly basis.

Blessing and Dedication of the Prayer Book

Response (VU 948):

**O God, hear my prayer, O God, hear my prayer:
when I call answer me.**

**O God, hear my prayer, O God hear my prayer:
come and listen to me.**

“God, hear my cry, listen to my prayer.
From the end of the earth, I call to you with fainting heart.”

Loving God our Father and Mother, who enfolds us in her
sheltering arms with compassion,
we bring to you our prayers.

O God, hear my prayer . . .

Christ Jesus, who knew suffering,
you promise us resurrection.
We bring to you names of people and places that are suffering.

O God, hear my prayer . . .

Holy Spirit, you work God’s healing and justice in the world.
Bless this book and the names that will be written within it.
Breath of God, be in our prayers.
Fire of God, be in these candles we light in memory.
We offer them to you in Jesus name.

O God, hear my prayer . . . (repeat)

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