



St. John's United Church

September 29, 2019

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*Please note that an asterisk * invites you to stand as you are able
Assistive Listening Systems are available - see ushers*

Season of Creation

"To be struck by the magnificence of nature is to be returned again in all-too-brief moments, to the innocence in which we were born. Awe. Wonder. Humility. We draw them into us and are altered forever by the unquestionable presence of Creator."
Richard Wagamese – Embers

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: "O Beautiful Gaia" Carolyn McDade

To Praise God

Call to Worship:

God speaks to us in words of love and generosity.
Jesus stands among us, calling us to acts of mercy.

Even now, the Holy Spirit is moving in our midst,
filling us with hope and inspiring us to faithfulness.

Let us worship our ever-present, overflowing God.
Let us praise God together!

***Introit:** #412 vs 1 (on screen)

Scripture: Psalm 91 VU p. 807

Prayer of Approach:

Creating God, as the seasons change, we see that you are still at work in the world, transforming hearts and situations. Fill us with renewed energy and bless us with new opportunities this autumn,

so that we might participate in your work, bringing justice and joy into the world you love. Amen.

***Hymn:** "Morning Has Broken" #409

To Open the Scriptures

Scripture: Genesis 1: 18-25 OT p.1

***Hymn:** "God, Who Touches Earth with Beauty" #310

Time to Wonder

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture: Jeremiah 32:1-3,6-15 OT p.900
Nancy Breitenstein

Ministry of Music: "When My Lips Can Frame No
Sound" J. Althouse

Sermon

***Hymn:** "Deep In Our Hearts" MV#154 (on screen)

To Respond in Faith

Minute for Mission: Paul Sharpe

The Offering of our Gifts

***Doxology:** #575 vs 1 (on screen)

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

We Return, Strengthened, To Live Our Faith

***Hymn:** "We Shall Go Out with Hope" #586

Benediction: #973

Choral Blessing:

Ushers:
Al Ireton, Paul Sharpe,
Bruce Robinson, Peter Wilkinson

Our sincere sympathy is extended to the Burnett family on the death of Joan. May God bless those who mourn.

Announcements

Hurricane Dorian Relief - Please visit the United Church of Canada's website to make a donation.

Apple and Pumpkin pies ready for pick up today! Come to hall and help free up freezer for the upcoming apple pies.

Sunday School Bulb Project - order forms are due **today!** Funds go towards Ryan's Well.

Men's Breakfast is Sunday, October 6th at **8:30** a.m. Please join us for the continental breakfast and casual fellowship. Hosted by Keith Crawford and Jean-Jacques Rousseau.

UCW will meet at Bayfield Manor on Monday, October 7th at 2:00 p.m. The theme is "Give Thanks With A Grateful Heart".

During Oct the Stewardship Committee will have a **Harvest Table** that you may donate some of your excess food items and preserves to. We are asking that these may be procured by making a donation. The funds raised will go to the Mission and Service fund.