



St. John's United Church

September 22, 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: "Creation Hymn" Beethoven

To Praise God

Call to Worship:

We gather in the presence of God, Creator of all things.

Let us celebrate the cosmos that God has made, and of which we are a part. Let us worship the God of the cosmos.

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

Scripture: Psalm 148 VU #871

Prayer of Approach:

Great galaxies and tiny insects; giant gum trees and redwoods and tiny plants growing in tundra and desert; a speck of sand, and planets beyond our comprehension – all things of your making, O God. Help us to acknowledge you in the world around us, to celebrate your presence, and to honour you in all we do. Amen.

***Hymn:** "Praise the Lord" #245

To Open the Scriptures

Scripture: Proverbs 8: 22-31 OT p.726

***Hymn:** "Draw the Circle Wide" MV#145 (on screen)

Time to Wonder

The Lord's Prayer

Scripture: John 6: 41-51 NT p.118 Winston Kinnaird

Ministry of Music: "Praise, My Soul, the God of
Heaven" John Goss

Sermon

***Hymn:** "Called by Earth and Sky" MV#135 (on screen)

To Respond in Faith

Minute for Mission

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:** "Joyful, Joyful We Adore You" #232

Benediction: #974

Choral Blessing:

Ushers:

**Dale Kirkpatrick, Kathy Kirkpatrick,
Bruce Robinson, Peter Wilkinson**

Our sincere sympathy is extended to Anita and family on the death of Pat Maloney. May God bless those who mourn.

Announcements

Today - Softball game following church. After the game there will be a barbeque hotdog lunch back at church for players and fans!

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

Apple and Pumpkin Pie Orders should be in to the office by **Sept. 29** and they will be ready for pick up on Oct. 6. Order forms are available from ushers or at the office.

Letting You Know - The Finances of St. John's United Church to end of August 2019 in a brief version:

Revenue

General Church Offerings/Donations	\$108,941.54
Total Other Revenue	\$33,978.76
Total	\$142,920.30

Expenses

Committees	\$15,146.07
Other Disbursements	\$6,615.00
Payroll	\$67,493.23
Premises	\$44,200.79
General and Administrative	\$25,638.60
Total	\$159,093.69
Shortfall	(\$16,173.39)

The shortfall is due to the replacement of the stairs at the front of church (cost \$23, 412.30). We fortunately received two donations totalling \$6,000.00 and the balance of \$17,412.20 came from the Reserve Fund.

The St. John's United Church Board would like to have the \$17,412.30 put back into the reserve fund. The Church Board would appreciate any donations towards the cost of the new stairs from any member or person. To make a donation, issue a cheque to "St. John's United Church" for the amount you wish to make and mark on the envelope "Stairs Project" and put it onto the offering plate or bring to the church office.

Thank you, Ian Carly, Chair of Finance Committee