



GRACE UNITED CHURCH
World Food Sunday
Worship Service – Pentecost 22
October 20, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.
Lay Preacher: Keith Mayers
Lay Presider: Joyce Redford

GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD

Gathering Music: The Power of Your Love **Geoff Bullock**

Band Prelude: Majesty **Jack Hayford**

Welcome, Announcements & Traditional Land Acknowledgment

Call to Worship (*based on Joel 2: 19, 21-22*)

One: God has promised restoration for his people.

All: Saying behold, I send grain, wine and oil to satisfy your needs.

One: You will no longer be mocked among surrounding nations.

All: Don't be afraid my people. Rejoice and be glad!

One: God has done great things. Creation will again declare it.

All: Pastures will soon become green; trees filled with luscious fruit; fig trees and grape vines yielding abundantly!

One: Rejoice in this verdant promise.

All: For we shall eat in abundance, be satisfied and praise God!

Procession: O Holy Lord **Don Salfarlie**

Lighting the Christ Candle **Miracle Habakkuk**

Passing of Peace:

(Choral Invitation MV#145-Draw the Circle Wide - Chorus only)

One: The Lord be with You

All: And also with You

One: Extend the hand of Peace to one another with these words:
'The Peace of Christ be with you'

Opening Prayer:

Oh God of all Creation, maker of all peoples, provider of abundant goodness, hope of a brighter day, come bless our hearts. Feed us with the gift of your Spirit, sending the latter rain to nurture and flourish our seeds of faith.

That we may know compassion and spread the good news of the gospel of Christ, feeding the world with the fruits of the Spirit. Be pleased to dwell among us, inspire us and receive our praise! In the blessed name of Jesus our Saviour, we pray. Amen.

Praise and Worship 1: (Choir)

Ancient of Days

G. Sadler & J. Harvill

Prayer of Confession:

Gracious God, in our quest for self-gratification we forget greatness is service. Your kingdom attributes greatness to humility, desiring justice and love kindness to all. To seek and pursue peace and live in charity with our neighbours. Cleanse us to meekness and giving over to the needs of the poor. To displace the reproach of poverty and promote access to the grace of God. So, our light of faith may shine continuously and glorify our God in heaven. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

God the Creator brings new life and hope, meets us in our infirmities, as Christ did on earth and prepares us each day to live like Him, growing into faith, love and peace. Amen

Gloria

Voices United #37

Psalter: Psalm 104 - Part One (Refrain Sung)

Voices United #826

**Song: Raymond & Shemagrace
 Thou Art**

**How Great is Our God/How Great
 Tomlin, Cash, Reeves/S. Hines**

Time for Youth & Young at Heart

**Young at Heart Worship: Led by Kay Bingham
 I'm Gonna Shout, Shout**

More Voices #183

Children leave for Sunday School

TO DISCOVER THE WORD OF GOD FOR TODAY

Scripture Reading: Mark 10:35-45

Nitin Bailey

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: Grow in Faith

Keith Mayers

TO RESPOND IN FAITH AND HOPE

Prayers of the People

Prayer Prelude: Veni Sancte Spiritus More Voices #75

Prayer Response: O God, hear our prayer.
And in your mercy, answer.

The Lord's Prayer: (Sung) Voices United #960

Offering Invitation

With joy, let us present offerings of commitment
and support the work of Christ's Church.
Let us give, as each is able,
According to the blessings God has given each of us.

Offertory: Precious Lord, Take my Hand T. Dorsey & G. Allen

Offering Response: Grant Us, God, the Grace VU #540

Offertory Prayer

We give you back Your own,
All that the gifts may be,
All we have is yours alone,
A trust dear Lord from You.
Bless these gifts in the work of Your Church. **Amen.**

Praise and Worship 2:

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy VU #271, v. 1, 2, 4 & 5

THE CHURCH SCATTERS TO LIVE ITS FAITH IN THE WORLD

Commissioning

Blessing and Sending Forth

One: The grace of Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the
Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also, with you.

**All: Glory to God whose power, working in us,
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.
Glory to God from generation to generation,
in the church, and in Christ Jesus,
forever and ever. Amen.** *Ephesians 3:20*

Benediction: May the God of Hope Go with Us VU #424, verse 1

Organ Postlude: More about Jesus E. Hewitt & J. Sweney

A Musical Happy Hour Concert
Free Admission! Free Coffee!

Saturday, October 26 4 – 5 p.m.

Sunday, October 27, 2024

**Join us for lunch in the Reception Room
following the Worship Service.**

Celebrating

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