

Praise the Maker all your days!

- 2 **Praise God for the grace and favour
shown our forebears in distress;
God is still the same forever,
slow to chide and swift to bless.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Sing our Maker's faithfulness!**

- 3 **Like a loving parent caring,
God knows well our feeble frame;
gladly all our burdens bearing,
still to countless years the same.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
All within me, praise God's name!**

- 4 **Frail as summer's flower we flourish;
blows the wind and it is gone;
but, while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Praise the high eternal one.**

- 5 **Angels, teach us adoration,
you behold God face to face;
sun and moon and all creation,
dwellers all in time and space.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Praise with us the God of grace!**

Opening Prayer

Loving God, You wait and watch for us, and we wait and watch for you. Help us to see beyond the temporary to the eternal so that we do not lose heart. Through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, help us to trust that our frailty is received into your hospitable in the heavens. Renew us day by day until we come again into your presence, where the weight of your glory lifts us in grace and light.

We long for your presence and yet, O merciful God, sometimes we try to hide from your presence for a wasteland of sin. We have not followed your

will, but instead heed other voices and pursue our own desire at the expense of others. God we ask for the courage to tell you truthfully what we have done. We pray for forgiveness so that we can live with ourselves, with others and with you. You alone can restore us. In steadfast love, look upon us and reclothe us in your grace. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ who saves and encourages us. Amen.

Response: Psalm 138 Refrain

#860 VU

We worship in your holy place and praise you for your truth and grace.

Words of Assurance

Sisters and brothers! Do not lose heart. We are being renewed day by day through the grace of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

***Affirmation of Faith: A New Creed**

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

**who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church:

**to celebrate God's presence,
to live with respect in Creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us. We are not alone.

Thanks be to God.

Ministry of Music: "On Jordan's Stormy Banks"

J. Rusley

Choir: Deb Carpenter, Christine Gunter, Brenda Walker

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer for Illumination

We are waiting, O God, to hear your Word, for in your Word is our hope. By power of the Holy Spirit, may we hear your voice and be attentive to what you will say to us today. In Jesus' name, **Amen.**

Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 9:3-6, 15-17

³ Now the donkeys of Kish, Saul's father, had strayed. So Kish said to his son Saul, "Take one of the boys with you; go and look for the donkeys."

⁴ He passed through the hill country of Ephraim and passed through the land of Shalishah, but they did not find them. And they passed through the land of Shaalim, but they were not there. Then he passed through the land of Benjamin, but they did not find them.

⁵ When they came to the land of Zuph, Saul said to the boy who was with him, "Let us turn back, or my father will stop worrying about the donkeys and worry about us." ⁶ But he said to him, "There is a man of God in this town; he is a man held in honor. Whatever he says always comes true. Let us go there now; perhaps he will tell us about the journey on which we have set out."

¹⁵ Now the day before Saul came, the LORD had revealed to Samuel:

¹⁶ "Tomorrow about this time I will send to you a man from the land of Benjamin, and you shall anoint him to be ruler over my people Israel. He shall save my people from the hand of the Philistines; for I have seen the suffering of my people, because their outcry has come to me." ¹⁷ When Samuel saw Saul, the LORD told him, "Here is the man of whom I spoke to you. He it is who shall rule over my people."

2 Corinthians 4: 13-18

¹³ But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴ because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵ Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed

day by day. ¹⁷ For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸ because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

This is the Words of the witness.

Thanks be to God.

Response Song: "Psalm 119"

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Your Word is a lamp for my feet and a light for my path.

Time for Child in All of Us

Reflection: "Anknüpfungspunkt"

Rev. Andrew K. Lee

Music for Silent Reflection: "Voluntary in G Minor"

W. Boyce

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

The Offering of our Gifts and Ourselves

Invitation: Who are Christ's brothers and sisters? Those who do the will of God. We now share what we have as member of the household of Christ.

***Doxology: "In Gratitude and Humble Trust" (#544 VU)**

**In gratitude and humble trust
we bring our best today
to serve your cause and share your love
with all along life's way.**

**O God, who gave yourself to us
in Jesus Christ, your Son,
teach us to give ourselves each day
until life's work is done.**

Prayers of the People²

God of Creation, you set us in a verdant place and gave us everything needed for an abundant life. Yet we have marred your good creation. We

² It includes and is modified "Prayer for the Students of Kamloops Residential School" by Moderator Richard Bott, The United Church of Canada.

pray for the renewal of creation as we seek to live more responsibly within it. Loving God, we have also marred human relationships by emphasizing our differences and disagreements at the expense of our commonalities and connections. O God, we are grieving. O God, we are shocked. O God, we are horrified. But, God, if we truly listened, we can't be surprised. The Elders and the Communities had already told the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, told the governments and the world, the stories of the children, dead and buried, unnoted by the settler systems, but never ever forgotten by their siblings, their parents, their communities. We grieve for the Indigenous children, taken from their homes and parents by the government, handed over to the responsibility of the Christian church, the children who died under its care, never to be held by their families, never to be returned to their communities—not only the 215 children of the Tk'emlups te Secwepemc and other Indigenous communities along the west coast and interior whose bodies have now been found on the grounds of the Kamloops Indian Residential School grounds, but all of those children whose bodies have not yet been found who died in any of Indian Residential Schools. We grieve for the survivors of the Indian Residential Schools, the children who did come home, but were changed by their experience, the children who grew up, and have the trauma of remembering, again, what happened to them. Even as we give thanks for their families and communities, who hold the stories of the children, who have kept searching, who keep searching, we grieve that that search is even necessary, that even one child was taken, that even one child died, that even one child's death went unnoted by the system. Help us to stop, to sit in silence, to remember the names we do not know. May their spirits have peace, and their bodies be brought home to their lands. Let this be a moment that changes, a moment that confess the settlers crimes, that we might walk in right relations, for the good of your children, for the good of your world. We pray that you will give us renewed understandings and ways of living with one another. Healing God, we know well that human life is fragile. We see our own bodies and spirits how illness and infirmities afflict us. And we see how our society has suffered from COVID 19. God, remember us and help us. Within our faith community, we pray for our elders, family members, and friends who are in need of your care and your touch. O God, strengthen all caregivers with the gift of kindness, patience, and endurance. We are grateful that though our bodies fail us, you renew us spiritually day by day. We also pray for our children. Let us pass your faith to our next

generation. Through your power and love, let us teach and nurture them as the children of God. Celebrating our past of Christendom, let us taste your overflowing grace towards our next generations. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray by saying,

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.**

Give us this day our daily bread.

**Forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil,
for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

WE GO FORTH TO LOVE AS CHRISTIANS IN THE WORLD

***Closing Hymn: "Spirit, Open My Heart"**

MV 79

**Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love, may I love, in receiving and in giving.
Spirit, open my heart.**

**God, replace my stony heart
with a heart that's kind and tender.
All my coldness and fear to you grace
may I now surrender.**

**Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love, may I love, in receiving and in giving.
Spirit, open my heart.**

**Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story.
In each thought, word, and deed,
may my living bring you glory.**

**Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living.
As you love, may I love, in receiving and in giving.
Spirit, open my heart.**

**May I weep with those who weep,
share the joy of sister, brother.**

In the welcome of Christ, may we welcome one another.

Blessing and Sending Forth

Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Sisters, brothers, and friends!

We are spiritually being renewed. Do not be afraid of being changed and renewed. God is working with you, Jesus Christ is within you, and the Holy Spirit is beside you.

May our Creator, who seeks and finds us, may the Holy Spirit, who renews us day by day, sustain us until all that is temporary is gathered into God's eternal glory. Amen.

Postlude: *"Fugue in F Minor"*

C. Burney



York United Ministries Announcements

Zoom Coffee Time Gathering Temporarily Stops

YUM is not having Zoom gatherings on Sunday for now. YUM will advise at a later date when it will resume.

Worship Service

All services will be recorded in advance and posted to YouTube on Sunday morning. Today's service was pre-recorded at York Pines United Church. There will be no on-site services on Sundays until further notice. The video

clip can be found at:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL772mvVOna2VqaLImkQsNw?view_as=subscriber. You may subscribe to the channel and turn on notifications in order to be informed automatically, or check out the church webpages or Facebook pages. You may click "LIKE" button or leave your comments on the online services to encourage each other.

YUM Ukulele Class

The 8 virtual lessons were well attended and went well. The participants are preparing a special song for the worship service. The following lessons for the people who are comfortable in daytime are arranged: June 7, 10, 14, 17 from 11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Please contact Rev. Lee (leeky3@mcmaster.ca)

YAYA - YTB Q-Box Series

Q-Box Series are being updated. YAYA people, please check the YUM YouTube channel.

Offering

Thank you for sending your offerings to the churches. Your offerings support the ministry of the church and have been much appreciated. Please mail a cheque to your church directly, or make an e-transfer: kcuc@bellnet.ca; yorkpinesuc@gmail.com; newhopeunited@bellnet.ca.

Reading & Writing Isaiah (Daily Devotionals)

"While physical training is of some value, godliness is valuable in every way." (1Timothy 4:8) Let's write our journal with the Bible verses every day as a form of individual spiritual exercises. Handwriting the verses given and your own short reflection time are encouraged. The Bible passages are provided each week in the bulletin.

- Monday, June 7 – Isaiah 65:16
- Tuesday, June 8 – Isaiah 65:17-18a
- Wednesday, June 9 – Isaiah 65:21-22
- Thursday, June 10 – Isaiah 65:23
- Friday, June 11 – Isaiah 65:24
- Saturday, June 12 – Isaiah 65:25

YUM Calendar (May-June)

June 7,10,14,17	Ukulele Lessons
June 19	Food Bank at York Pines UC

June 22

New Hope UC Counsel Meeting

Worship Schedule

	June 6	June 13	June 20	June 27
Preacher	Rev. Andrew Lee	Rev. Bill Fritz	Rev. Andrew Lee	Rev. Alf Dumont
Location	York Pines UC	New Hope UC	King City UC	York Pines
Announcements	Suzanne Svadjian	Thom Stenson		
Scripture Reading	Deb Carpenter	Dahlia Buchanan		
Choir	Deb Carpenter, Brenda Walker & Christine Gunter			
Music Director	Ted Anderson	Sunny Rakovac	Rosemary Karunaratne	Ted Anderson
Recording	June 3 (Thurs.) at 10:30	June 10 (Thurs.) at 10:00		
Church	Second After Pentecost	Third After Pentecost	Fourth After Pentecost	Fifth After Pentecost
UCC/YUM Calendar	Union Sunday		UN World Refugee Day	Canadian Multiculturalism Day/ Indigenous Sunday
Liturgical Color	Red	Red	Red	Red

Minute for Mission by Mission & Service

True or false: The United Church of Canada was formed in 1925 in part so the founding denominations—Methodist, Presbyterian, and Congregational—could combine their finances to do more mission work in Canada and around the world?

If you guessed true, you are right.

From the very beginning, our United Church was formed out of a desire to come together and serve others like Jesus did. Through Mission & Service, we have been helping to save and transform lives, inspire meaning and purpose, and build a better world for 96 years.

Today, we are as committed as ever. Together, we turn compassion into action every day.

How?

To put it simply, we help.

In Canada, we help people in need by supporting homeless shelters, food banks, soup kitchens, and refugee programs. We reach out to young people on campuses and through camping. We care for people who are sick or at the end of life by supporting addiction, mental health, and counselling services and hospice care.

Globally, we help people access clean water, food, and medical care. We support skills training and economic development. We help with peace-making and sustainable agriculture efforts. We provide disaster relief and advocate for the rights of those who all too often don't get a say, like children and migrant workers.

We also support opportunities for people to grow spiritually in all kinds of ways.

Locally, we subsidize theological schools and education/retreat centres. We support events that promote spiritual development and personal reflection. We inspire new and innovative ministries, and sustain communities of faith that are remote or in need.

Globally, we support church organizations that work with theological schools, offering practical training in agriculture and health.

It's a win-win. We trust that when people are in tune with their meaning and purpose, they will naturally want to help change lives and make the world a better place for all.



A client receives medical treatment at Our Place, Victoria, BC.
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