

Trinity Sunday
AGM Conference Weekend
May 30, 2010
Worshipping at Mountainview School

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WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

(This worship service was created to follow the theme of the AGM for 2010 "Living In Right Relationships ~ Non Kwe Shon Ha ~ Vivre des relations justes." A reminder of the road that we have been asked to walk towards a right relationship with our aboriginal brothers and sisters)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL MEDITATION

(A silence to give time to center ourselves for worship)

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Leader: Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

People: **A light no darkness can extinguish.**

INTROIT

VU#375

**Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow thro' the wilderness
calling and free,**

**Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness,
Wind, Wind on the sea.**

East candle is lit followed with a prayer

O Creator, Great Spirit of Light the giver of the gift of a new day,
come to us out of the East with the power of the rising sun.

**Let there be light always in our words and on the paths that we
walk.**

We ask, Spirit keeper of the East, Brother Eagle to be with us.

Fly high as you carry our prayers to our Creator.

**Give us the sharpness of your eyes, so we are able to see truth
and hope on the path we have chosen.**

Guide our every step and give us courage to walk the Circle of life
with honesty and dignity.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

West candle is lit followed with a prayer

Holy and Almighty God, Creator of Heaven and earth,
we give you our thanks and praise for
your grace that lifts us up and bears us each day.

**As the daytime begins with the rising of the sun
your eternal light shines on us.**

When this day is completing its circle,
Emmanuel, you will be with us, as the sun sets.

**May our mortal bodies be refreshed and restored this night with
your precious gift of sleep and rest.**

Surround us with your loving kindness during the night time.

As the eternal dawn shall come so will your appearing.

And we shall be known as you are known.

And in love and joy you will receive us.

Into your holy name we commend our spirit. Amen.

North candle is lit followed with a prayer

Almighty God, our Father, the giver of all good gifts from every
direction, send down your love from the North that all who minister
to your call may faithfully and truthfully serve you

**to the benefit of your Holy Church, in serving one master and
looking for one reward, in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

South candle is lit followed with a prayer

Gracious God, Creator of the Universe
you speak to us through your prophets
and through Jesus Christ your son.

Through Jesus comes grace and truth, healing and justice.

Your love has freed us from the bondage of fear
to become your disciples.

**That love gives us the strength
and compassion to do your will**

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe!
You led your people Israel by a pillar of cloud by day
and a pillar of fire by night.
Enlighten our darkness by the light of your Christ.
May his word be a lamp to our feet
and a light to our path;
for you are full of loving kindness for your whole creation, and
we, your creatures, glorify you,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen**

National First Nations Day of Prayer 2007 – Anglican Church of Canada

HYMN: Let There Be Light

VU#679

Opening Prayer

We come with thanksgiving

- Four our very breath, the warmth of sun, and the sustaining waters
- For life all around us; the plants, soft grasses, and sheltering trees
- For the ones that crawl, those that swim, and those that fly
- For the four legged and the two legged
- All our relations!

We celebrate the diversity in creation as reflected in the four winds from the four directions. We especially honour the many people with their many gifts for understanding our shared life on the earth.

We strive to live out the seven sacred teachings:

- Respect
- Love
- Honesty
- Courage
- Humility
- Wisdom
- Truth

These teachings enable us to live in harmony with ourselves, with our neighbours and created earth. Amen

Former Moderator, Stan McKay

Prayer of Confession

How difficult it has been, O Creator, for us to be humble and caring. We so easily forget your teachings of the just and right relationships that we are to have with each other, as brothers and sisters, in this land. We so easily forget that our responsibility carries from generation to generation for all those who are hurt and oppressed and denied their place in the circle of life – those who still need our support, who need justice and peace. How difficult it is for us to remain humble as we walk the road of life. May we find peace so that we might share peace that is genuine and real, and help others to know peace within. Spirit of life, help us to walk the road of integrity back to the circle of life, where we will be truly joined by all our brothers and sisters. Meegwetch Che Manido (Thank you Great Spirit). Amen

Prayer for Assurance

Let your breath, O God, fill us with life anew, that we might love as you love and do what you would do.

Let us know the peace that comes from good relations with each other and with you. Amen

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CHILDREN’S HYMN: Jesus Loves Me

VU#365

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament: Jeremiah 31: 31-34 A New Covenant

Responsive Reading: Psalm 19 VU740 God’s Glory in

Creation and the Law

Gospel Reading: Luke 10: 25-37 Parable of the Good Samaritan

REFLECTION “We Will Walk With Each Other”

HYMN: We Are Pilgrims

VU#595

OFFERING/PRAYER

VU#537

**Your work, O God,
needs many hands to help you everywhere,
and some there are who cannot serve unless our
gifts we share.**

**Because we love you and your work,
our offering now we make:
be pleased to use it as your own, we ask for
Jesus' sake.**

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND CONCERN

THE LORD'S PRAYER

VU#959

HYMN: For The Healing Of The Nations

VU#678

BLESSING:

God is before us.

God is behind us.

God is above us.

God is below us.

God's words shall come from our mouths.

For we are all God's essence, a sign of God's love.

All is finished in beauty.

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Navajo prayer tradition

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

CHORAL CLOSING: Draw The Circle Wide

MV#145

Draw the circle wide.

Draw it wider still.

Let this be our song, no one stands alone, standing side by side,

Draw the circle wide. (2X)

14 of us gathered last week to end our Easter season. Our offering was \$2260.00. We give thanks!

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Next week's scriptures: 1 Kings 17:8-16; Psalm 146; Galatians 1:11-24; Luke 7:11-17

Stewardship thought: Why do we have what we have? (It is a question related to vocation and mission: What is God calling us to be and do with these gifts?)

We are praying for... Hans W. Anne, Diane, Linda, Susan (Vi & Walter), Junior (Yvette), Jeff Clayton, Greg and Claude (Barbara B), Donna (Anna), the people, the residents of the Griffith McConnell home, and all those living with grief.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The congregation is called to a meeting on June 6. We will have this meeting integrated in our worship time as we discern our next steps together. Information will be shared as follow up on requests made at our last meeting, and new ideas will be presented. We know we need time for these discussion so please come prepared to stay for a **pot luck lunch** as well.

A special **THANK YOU** to our **CHOIR** for their **Spiritual Musical Guidance** in our Worship. The choir has finished for the summer. May they take a well deserved vocal rest. They'll be back in fine voice in September. **Thank you Etienne** for your musical guidance.

Our donation has been sent off to **Camp Cosmos**. This year we sponsored 17 children. This is down from our previous years, but still a great gift to many and a real sign of support for those leading the camp. Thank you to all. If you missed our collection you can still send a donation to them – there are envelopes for Montreal City Mission on the bulletin board. Cheques are to be made to Inner City

Day Camp.

Our Community Learning Center is coordinating a **Community Garden** behind the school. Students are already growing the plants in their classrooms. There are many ways we can also be involved. See the bulletin board for details.

Lynn's choir, EVMSH, will have their spring concert on June 6 at 3:00 at Our Lady of Good Council church.(note this is the correct time)

Summer Solstice is on June 21st. We'll gather at Lac Hertel on June 16th to share in "solstice time". If you don't have a membership for the mountain you will have to pay \$5.00 at the gate. We'll meet at the lake for a 6:30p.m. start. The park is open until 8:00 so there will be time to enjoy the space after our gathering.

If you give to the church on any kind of regular basis, please ask for church envelopes. This really makes our record keeping much easier. Speak with Norm if you need them. Of course PAR is a great alternative to envelopes for all of us. More coming on that.

Our thanks to Norm for preparing and leading today's service as Pix is attending the Annual meeting of Conference at John Abbott college. It is a blessing to have one of "our own" willing and able to give this kind of leadership.

DATES TO NOTE

May 28-30 Conference Annual Meeting

June 6 Sunday – Lynn's choir concert (see note)

June 10 – UCC turns 85 years old!!

Congregational meeting – June 6 during the worship +pot luck

June 16 6:30 Solstice gathering on the mountain

*Did you leave a hymn request for next week??
Please leave music inserts behind for re-use.
You can leave bulletins you don't want as well. We'll
mail out to our friends or recycle here.*

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