

The United Church of Canada
Vision Statement:
Deep Spirituality, Bold Discipleship, Daring Justice
Conseil régional Nakonha:ka Regional Council
Lennoxville United Church

Order of Worship 10 am.

June 23, 2024 – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Worship Leaders: The Gathered Community
Presider: Rev. Scott Patton

Thank you to all those who made this worship service possible by the gifts of their talents & skills, and time & money. Please make your offering by PAR, or through Canada Helps.

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There will be no live stream for this Sunday June 23rd, we invite you come to LUC for the service 😊

We Gather

Prelude My Faith looks up to Thee (arr. Lowell Mason)
All the Way My Savior leads Me (arr. Robert Lowry)

Welcome and Announcements

Introit: We Have Come into His House (Bruce Ballinger)

Land Acknowledgement

For thousands of years, First Nations people have walked on this land; their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and spirituality. Lennoxville United Church is located on the Traditional land of the Abenaki people of the Wabanaki Dawnland Confederacy. We recognize our responsibility to live with respect on this land and in peace and friendship with its people.

We acknowledge the continuing injustice and commit ourselves to seeking right relations with all the Indigenous People of Canada. May the Creator's wisdom work within us toward mending the torn tapestry of this land.

Call to Worship

Today, we stand at the crossroads, to give thanks for all that has been, and to find the hope and the strength we need to move into all that God has in store for us.

So, we gather in this time of worship: ready to hear God's truth,

Opening ourselves to God's loving presence among us, Eager to rejoice in God's faithfulness.

As we join with one another in this time of worship, we open ourselves to God's empowering Spirit in our midst.

As we respond to God's loving welcome of each and every one of us, we gather in the presence of the God of love with joyful thanksgiving.

Let us worship God!

Hymn O Worship the King

VU 235

Opening Prayer:

God of faithfulness, God of great love and compassion for all people: We come to you in this time of worship because we seek signs of your loving presence among us. You know each one of us, and you seek after us. Help us to know you and to seek after you in all aspects of our living. We know that, in Jesus, you came to seek and to save those who are lost. Reveal yourself to us when we have lost our way or have lost touch with you. Strengthen our faith that we may know you are with us always. Draw us to one another in your love, and empower us to share your love with one another, and with a world in need. Show us again the way that leads to abundant life, and call us again to be your loving disciples, we pray, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Hymn God of the Sparrow

VU 229

To Hear the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

In this Season of Pentecost, O God, may your spirit move among us, and within us to open us up to your word for us today, and to inspire us to respond with love and justice. Amen

Gospel Mark 4:35-41

read by Ron Coughlin

Hymn Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

VU 357

Sermon Falling into the Arms of God

Anthem: I will sing with the Spirit (John Rutter)

Musical Reflection Deep River (Traditional Spiritual)

And to Respond

Mission and Service Stories “An Act of Generosity”

Frankie Noble

... with our offering Andante (Josef Rheinberger)

Offering Response

VU 541

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures high and low;
give thanks to God in love made known: Creator, Word and Spirit, One.**

Prayer of Dedication

Gracious and loving God, there is no way we could repay you for all of the wonderful gifts you have given to us in love. But, by the giving of our gifts, we are saying that we want to be part of your work in the world, and we want to be part of using these gifts to help bring transformation and new life to this world.

Bless all that we offer, and bless us as we seek to proclaim and celebrate the work of your life-giving Spirit among us. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

VU 959

Hymn How Firm a Foundation

VU 660

Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Benediction The Lord Bless You and Keep You (Peter C. Lutkin)

Postlude Marche (A.Vandan Plass)

Thank you to the Ushers: Jack Noble and Frankie Noble

Upcoming Services : June 30th **NO SERVICE**

Please note that there will be no services at LUC during July and August. You are invited to attend Plymouth-Trinity United Church at **10:00 am. (note time change)** Services at LUC will resume on **September 8, 2024. HAVE A GREAT SUMMER! ☺**

Announcements:

- 1. This is a message from Anna personally:** I have a friend (a mother) with her daughter (around 12 years old) will come back to Lennoxville from July 8th - August 18th, and would like to look for a room for them to stay during this period of time, please contact Anna 647-889-9201 if you have a spare room for rent, or if you know somebody would like to rent an apartment for summer, with kitchen access would be really great... Thank you very much!
- 2. Fall Rummage Sale: Friday September 20th 9:00a.m. – 8:00p.m., and Saturday September 21st 8:30 a.m. – noon,** many of you have told us that you have garage sale leftovers that you would like to donate to our Fall Rummage Sale in September. We are delighted to let you know that we will gratefully accept those unsold items from 9:00 a.m. to Noon, Tuesday through Friday, beginning immediately. Please use the Church Street entrance and, if possible, leave them in the men's cloakroom at the foot of the stairs.

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