

IMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH
NOVEMBER 6, 2022

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTRODUCTION TO THE WORSHIP THEME

CALL TO WORSHIP (*"A New Creed," The United Church of Canada*)

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.

HYMN *Bring Many Names* VU 268

OPENING PRAYER (*drawing on our United Church Faith Statements, "A New Creed" and "A Song of Faith"*)

Compassionate Creator, Holy Mystery,
Source of Life, Living Word, Bond of Love,
you are beyond complete knowledge
and above perfect description.
Yet you tirelessly seek relationship,
creating and tending the universe,
mending the broken
and reconciling the estranged.
And so we gather with gratitude this day,
to be found in our wandering,

to be held in your comfort,
to be challenged by your call,
to be reminded that you are with us
and that we are not alone.
Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 16:13-15

THE CHOIR ANTHEM *Give Us Peace*

INTRODUCTION TO THE SERMON

SERMON *The Right Rev. Carmen Lansdowne, Moderator of The United Church of Canada,
on the occasion of her Installation, August 2022*

HYMN *Peace for the Children* MV 149, vv. 1-7

OFFERING AND DEDICATION *For the Gift of Creation* VU 538

For the gift of creation, the gift of your love,
and the gift of the Spirit by which we live,
we thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.
May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY/MOMENT OF SILENCE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name(s).
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and 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,
the power and the glory,
forever and ever. *Amen.*

HYMN *May the God of Hope Go with Us* VU 424

SENDING FORTH *(Adapted from the liner notes of Holly Near's 2006 album "Show Up," Calico Tracks
Music, CA)*

CHORAL AMEN VU 974

POSTLUDE