

ST. PAUL'S UNITED CHURCH

JULY 7, 2024

GUEST PREACHER: GLENN ROBITAILLE

MUSIC DIRECTOR: VICTORIA WARWICK

GUEST MUSICIANS: MICHAEL & JANET PEDRO

READER: NEAL FOOT

TECH TEAM: GLENN ERWIN, RICK & GABRIELA DELL, BRUCE WILCOX

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CALL TO THE GATHERED & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND**

**OPENING HYMN MEDLEY: VU#352 "I Danced in the Morning" (verses 1, 3, 5),**

1. I danced in the morning when the world was begun,  
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,  
and I came from heaven and I danced on the earth;  
at Bethlehem I had my birth.

**Refrain: Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the dance, said he, and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.**

2. I danced for the scribe and the pharisee,  
but they would not dance and they would not follow me;  
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;  
they came with me and the dance went on. **Refrain:**

5. They cut me down and I leap up high;  
I am the life that will never, never die;  
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;  
I am the Lord of the dance, said he. **Refrain:**

**VU#333 "Love Divine"**

1. Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
fix in us they humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.
2. Come, almighty to deliver, let us all thy grace receive;  
suddenly return, and never, never more thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.
3. Finish, then, thy new creation, pure and spotless let us be;  
let us see thy great salvation perfectly restored in thee,  
changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee, lost in wonder, love and praise.

**OPENING PRAYER (responsive):** read by Neal Foot

**LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE:** As we light this Christ candle may it remind us that God is in us and in our world.

**SUNG RESPONSE: VU#588 v. 1 "Many Are the Lightbeams"**

Many are the lightbeams from the one light. Our one light is Jesus.  
Many are the lightbeams from the one light; we are one in Christ.

**SPECIAL MUSIC: Michael & Janet Pedro "Come Just As You Are"**

**HYMN: VU#589 "Lord, Speak to Me"**

1. Lord, speak to me that I may speak in living echoes of your tone;  
as you have sought, so let me seek your straying children lost and lone.
2. O lead me, so that I may lead the wandering and the wavering feet;  
O feed me, so that I may feed your hungering ones with manna sweet.
3. O teach me, so that I may teach the precious truths which you impart;  
and wing my words, that they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.
4. O fill me with your fullness, Lord, until my very heart o'erflows  
in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

**SCRIPTURE READING: (John 8: 1 – 11)**

read by Glenn Robitaille

**SERMON:**

**GIVING OF OUR GIFTS & SPECIAL MUSIC: Michael & Janet Pedro "You're About to Climb"**

**SUNG RESPONSE: MV# 150 "Loving God" v. 3**

Loving God: be our voice, be our prayer. Reaching out, joining hands as we share,  
we seek your guidance through friendship and care. Loving God, be our prayer.

**OFFERTORY PRAYER:** read by Cathy Metzgar

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER**

read by Neal Foot

**HYMN: VU#595 "We Are Pilgrims"**

1. We are pilgrims on a journey, fellow travellers on the road;  
we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.
2. Sister, let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.
3. I will hold the Christ-light for you in the nighttime of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.
4. I will weep when you are weeping, when you laugh I'll laugh with you;  
I will share your joy and sorrow, till we've seen this journey through.
5. When we sing to God in heaven, we shall find such harmony,  
born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.
6. Brother, let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

**COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION:** read by Cathy Metzgar

**SUNG BENEDICTION: : "May I Share God's Peace With You?" (Words & Music: Steve Pitkanen)**

May I share God's peace with you? That His love may see us through all the joys and trials of a life in his care. May I share what I know to be true? May I share God's peace with you?

**POSTLUDE:**