

**PARKMINSTER UNITED CHURCH**

**Sunday, May 27, 2018**  
**Trinity Sunday**





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**LARGE PRINT** Bulletins, Voices United Hymn Books and Bibles are available from the ushers.

### **BULLETIN NOTATIONS:**

★ Signal to stand, for those who are able.

**VU**~Voices United Hymn book **MV**~More Voices Hymn book

*Welcome Visitors! We're glad to have you worshipping with us at Parkminster and would like to make sure you feel connected. Please take a few minutes to fill out one of the white information envelopes found in the pews and place it on the offering plate, or put it in the mail slot outside the office. Whether you'd like more information about Parkminster's programs, want to request offering envelopes, or have a question about becoming a member—or whatever else is important to you, we'd love to hear from you! Welcome!*

## **GATHERING**

Prelude            “Let All Things Now Living”    *arr. by Larry Schackley*

### **Welcome**

### **Statement of Welcome**

One: Today, we remember our relationship with the First Peoples, a relationship which has seldom been healing and empowering. With gratitude and respect, we recognize the tribes on whose traditional land we make our spiritual home, the Anishnawbe (A-nish-NA-bay) the Haudenosaunee (Ho- di-no-SHOW-nay), and the Neutral. We acknowledge, with regret, that this history has rarely been respectful. We commit to just relationship in the present.

**All: Seeking true community, we welcome all who have no church home, need strength, and are seeking deep meaning. Welcome to those who have doubts or who do not believe. Welcome to those whose faith is sure, and to those who believe, but who are asking large questions.**

One: Welcome to visitors and to familiar friends. Welcome to grandparents, to mothers, fathers, youth and children, couples, and single people.

**All: Welcome to people of all colours, gender identities, abilities, and sexual orientations.**

One: Welcome to each who is searching for meaning, who is seeking an understanding of community and what it means to accompany one another.

**All: As we come together as church, we turn to one another with gratitude and pray that we will be strong together, faithful together, and loving together. We seek blessing as we welcome the great gift of spirit in us, through us, and among us.**

## **Joys and Concerns**

### **Call into Community**

One: God's Spirit calls to our spirits,

**All: inviting us to worship.**

One: God's Spirit calls to our spirits,

**All: inviting us by love.**

One: God's Spirit calls to our spirits,

**All: calling us by name,  
calling us to grow in faith,  
calling us to be made new.**

One: Come, let us worship the Holy One with joyful spirits, open minds and receptive hearts.

**All: Amen.**

- ★ Introit and Christ Candle Lighting:  
“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty”    🎵 VU #315

## Passing of the Peace

One:    God is the source of peace within us.

**All:    In humility and surrender let us claim it.**



One:    Jesus shows the way of peace among peoples.

**All:    With courage and faith let us live it.**

One:    The Holy Spirit gives us power to pursue peace even among people who have a history of violence.

**All:    With loving intentions let us show the world that peace-making is path we choose.**

One:    May the peace of Christ, be with you...

**All:    And also with you.**

Following the passing of the peace, children and the young at heart are invited to come forward for the Story Time with Tracie Klaehn.

For babies and toddlers, there is the family worship space at the back of the sanctuary. Every week there is an adult care-giver present so that children can play safely while parents worship. Parents are free to come and go from that space, according to the needs of their children.

## Story Time with Tracie Klaehn

### EXPLORING

## Prayer of Preparation

One:    Loving God, you speak to us in so many ways:  
    ...in the song of a bird,  
    ...in the babbling of a brook,

...in the silence of a starry night,  
...and in the stories of the Bible.

**All:** In the reading of the scripture,  
may your Word be heard;  
in the meditations of our hearts,  
may your Word be known;  
and in the faithfulness of our lives,  
may your Word be shown. Amen.



### **Scripture—Isaiah 6:1-8**

*(The Message: The Bible in Contemporary English)*

### **New Testament Reading—John 3:1-18a**

*(The Message: The Bible in Contemporary English)*

### **Acclamation**

One: This is the good news of Jesus.

**All: Thanks be for this grace.**

### **Questions for Reflection**

- Have you ever felt that you were in the presence of the Holy One?
- What thoughts or feelings did that experience evoke?
- Isaiah felt awe and unworthiness and was moved to answer a Call to ministry? What was your response?

Ministry of Music

“Fill a Me Up!”

*by Pepper Choplin*

### **Reflection**



Hymn:

“God, Whose Almighty Word”

♪ VU #313

## **RESPONDING**

**Moment for Mission** – Roberta Hickey

**Offering** – invitation

Offertory “Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken” *arr. by Lloyd Larson*

★ **Dedication:** “What Can I Do?” 🎵 MV #191 (sung 2X)

**All:** What can I do? What can I bring?  
What can I say? What can I sing?  
I'll sing with joy. (I'll sing with joy.)  
I'll say a prayer.  
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

★ **Offering Prayer**

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer – Paraphrase+**

Jim Cotter © 1988 VU #916

**All:** Eternal Spirit,  
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,  
Source of all that is and that shall be.  
Father and Mother of us all,  
Loving God, in whom is heaven;  
  
The hallowing of your name  
echo through the universe!  
The way of your justice be followed  
by peoples of the world!  
Your heavenly will be done by all created things!  
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom  
Sustain our hope and come on earth.

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.**

**In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.  
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.  
From trials too great to endure, spare us.  
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.**

## **RETURNING**

★ **Hymn:** “Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness” 🎵 VU #375

★ **Commissioning and Blessing**

★ **Sung Blessing “Halle, Halle, Halle”** 🎵 VU #958 (sung 2x)

**Halle, halle, hallelujah!  
Halle, halle, hallelujah!  
Halle, halle, hallelujah!  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

Postlude

“Marche”

*by G.F. Handel*

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**Thank you to everyone who has offered their gift of time to volunteer in various ways this Sunday:**

**Ushers:**.....Lynn Harper, Barb Pryor, Swain & Thelma Van Camp  
**Greeters:** .....Dorothy Duxbury, Ruth Farley  
**Lay Reader:**.....Geoff Pease  
**Guest Preacher:** .....Rev. Don Linkletter  
**Candle Lighter:**.....Alexander Pease  
**Sunday Morning Activities:**.....Iso McGregor, Franceen Wagner, Rob Vanderlinden  
**Story Time:** .....Tracie Klaehn  
**A/V Coordinator:** .....Sandra Quehl  
**A/V Operator:**.....Heather Watts & Sandra Quehl  
**Counters:** .....Bill & Heather Spall  
**Chancel Arrangements:**.....Thelma Van Camp  
**Coffee Hour Hosts:** .....Swain & Thelma Van Camp  
**Coffee Hour Dessert:** .....Lori Jamieson

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**Ministry of Parkminster:**..... All of us  
**Ministers:**.....Rev. Heather Power (x 22) & Rev. Joe Gaspar (x 23)  
**Music Director:**.....Neil Murray (x 25)  
**Office Administrator:**.....Melanie Chisholm (x 21)  
**Custodian:**.....Allen Switzer (x 26)

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**“WHAT’S UP at Parkminster!”**



Here are just a few of the things happening at Parkminster. **For a complete update, please refer to the “What’s UP” email sent out every Friday.** If you would like to receive the “What’s UP” email or place an announcement, please contact the church office at [parkuc@golden.net](mailto:parkuc@golden.net) **Deadline for submission – 10:00am Thursdays.**

**THIS WEEK LET US PRAY FOR**

<p><b>World Council of Churches:</b> Angola, Mozambique; <b>Hamilton Conference Prayer Cycle:</b> St. George United Church</p>
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## MINISTERS' MESSAGES

**Out of Office Alert:** Rev. Joe & Rev. Heather will be away on a study week from **Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>**. If there is an urgent pastoral care matter during this time, please contact Rev. Fred Monteith at 519-575-6407.

### **Upcoming Services:**

**June 3:** United Church Anniversary Sunday service to be held at First United Church. Rev. Jenny Stephens from the national office will be preaching and there will be a mass choir. **There will be no worship at Parkminster** this day to allow everyone to attend the service. If you give your offering by envelope, please bring it with you. They will be brought back to Parkminster after the service.

**June 10:** Music Sunday and Sunday School Picnic. Come and celebrate the vibrant music of Parkminster, our children, youth and their leaders with some good food and games! (*see below re: food*)

**June 17:** Labyrinth Signage dedication. On this day we will have special guests present as toward the end of the service we will be going outside to dedicate some new signage that will increase the visibility of the labyrinth to the wider community. This service is the first of possibly a few to be held in the gym due to the replacement of the lift.

**June 24:** Indigenous Sunday. On this day we will have with us a special guest speaker, Mary Anne Caibaiosai. Mary Anne is from Manitoulin Island and in Sept. will begin a walk along the water of the Grand River from its source to its mouth and back, in an act of prayer and devotion.

## SUMMER STUDENT POSITION

Parkminster will be hiring a summer student again this year. The student will work in consultation with the Communications Coordinator on a social media strategy for the church. In addition, the student will plan, prepare and lead weekly children's crafts/activities at the Wednesday evening Erb StrEAT Food Trucks. More information is posted on the bulletin board outside the church office. Remuneration - \$14/hr, 30 hours per week for 8 weeks. **Application deadline is Thurs June 7, 2018 at 6pm with interviews held on Wed June 13, 2018.** All applicants must be enrolled full-time in an accredited education institution for Fall 2018. **Please send a cover letter and resume to: [parkminsterjob@gmail.com](mailto:parkminsterjob@gmail.com)**



## ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC!

**Sunday, June 10:** Come out and join in the fun & fellowship! There will be fun and activities for the kids, and of course lunch for all! The Christian Education Committee will provide the BBQ if the congregation is willing to bring the rest! If your last name begins A-L please bring a salad, M-Z a dessert. In an effort to be more environmentally friendly we also invite you to bring your own dishes and cutlery. **As a reminder about inclusion - please keep food items nut-free & strawberry-free and label any items containing eggs. Please provide a list of ingredients or a recipe card with your contribution. Please bring your own chairs, umbrellas & beverages. Looking forward to a great celebration with everyone!**

## 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NEIL MURRAY NIGHT!

**Save the Date! 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Night with Neil Murray and The Band–** September 29, 7:30pm at the Navy Club in Waterloo. **Tickets Sales begin Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>** . Tickets \$20 each/\$10 students/teens, which includes lunch buffet around 9:00pm, prizes & huge fun! You may buy the tickets from the church office, after church on Sundays, or reserve them by calling either the office (519-885-0935) or Bruce Mutton (519-894-1687).

## DISCOVERY: A COMIC LAMENT

**Using comedy to talk about a serious topic – Discovery: A Comic Lament:** Take a step toward better understanding of our history with Indigenous peoples. Discovery: A Comic Lament is a play that gets us thinking about the origins of our historic and present-day understandings about land rights. It teaches us about the Doctrine of Discovery and challenges us to confront the Doctrine's lasting impact on Indigenous peoples, and to question our own settler stories. Each performance is opened and closed by invited guests Mino Ode Kwewak N'gamowak (Good Hearted Women Singers). Plan to attend one of four performances May 31 – June 3. All performances are at 7:30 pm. Tickets: \$10/students and \$15/general public. Online tickets are available at [www.uwaterloo.ca/grebel/events/discovery-comic-lament](http://www.uwaterloo.ca/grebel/events/discovery-comic-lament). See poster in Upper Hall.

## FROM YOUR PROPERTY COMMITTEE

**Lawn Mower Needed!** Are you considering upgrading your current lawn mower? The church's gas push mower is kaput! Would you consider gifting your mower to the church? Call Bud 519-746-6282

**Ladder Available!** The church has a pull down, attic hatch adjustable ladder available to a good home. Call Bud before May 30, 519-746-6282.

