

PARKMINSTER UNITED CHURCH

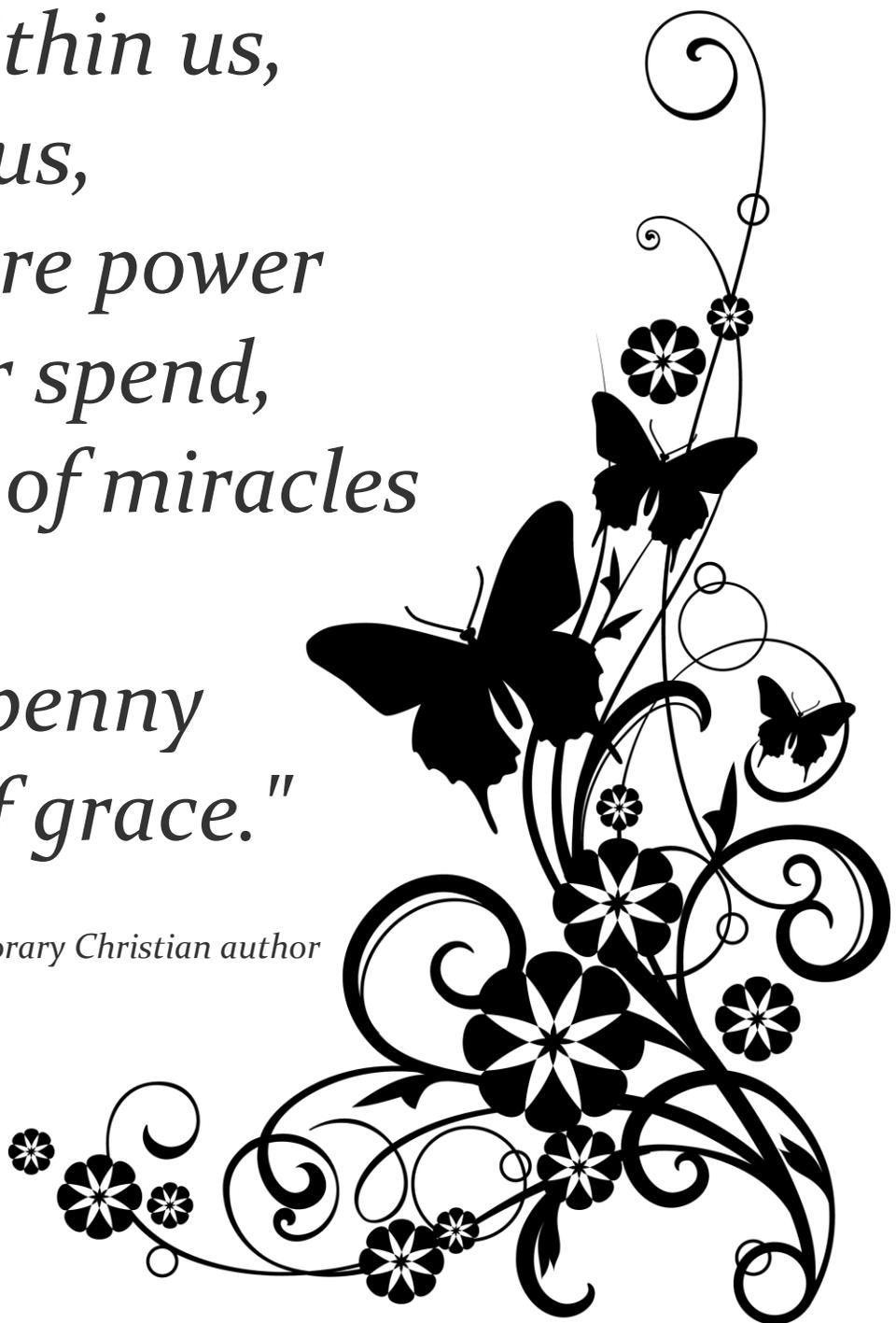
Sunday, July 15, 2018

“The Power Within”

Guest Worship Leader: Rev. Deborah Deavu

*"We have within us,
each one of us,
so much more power
than we ever spend,
such misers of miracles
are we,
such pinch-penny
guardians of grace."*

*- Frederick Buechner, contemporary Christian author
& novelist*



You Are Not Alone. Come Share The Journey.



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A Bit About Deborah: Deborah grew up attending Abingdon United Church, part of a 6-point pastoral charge in the Niagara Peninsula. Since her commissioning as a Diaconal Minister, she has worked in Saskatchewan, Bay of Quinte and Hamilton Conferences. In January, she left her most recent pastoral charge in Morriston after 21 years of ministry in the Puslinch Community.

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: “How High the Moon” *by Morgan Lewis*

Welcome

Statement of Welcome

One: Today we begin by remembering our relationship with the First Peoples, a relationship which has seldom been healing and empowering. With gratitude and respect, we recognize now the people 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 & Concerns

Call to Community

One: God is within us –

All: A particle of potential, a dream waiting to be fulfilled.

One: God is within us –

All: Miracles waiting to happen, community waiting to be restored.

One: God is within us –

All: Hands reaching out in service and care for another.

One: God is within us –

All: Blessings to bestow, wholeness to be found.

One: God is within us –

New life is in our hands. This day we proclaim that
“YES!” –

All: God is within us.

★ Introit: “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” 🎵 VU #326

**O for a thousand tongues to sing
my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of God's grace.**

**Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace.**

**He speaks, and listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive,
the mournful broken-hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.**

**Hear him, you deaf; you voiceless ones,
your tongues again employ;
you blind, behold your Saviour comes,
and leap, you lame, for joy!**

**My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim,
to spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of your name.**

Ministry of Music

“Summertime”

by Gershwin
(Lani Kerbl, soloist)



Passing of the Peace

One: God is the source of peace within us.

All: In humility and surrender let us claim it.

One: Jesus is the way of peace among us.

All: With courage and faith let us live it.

One: The Holy Spirit is the unity of peace between us.

All: With generosity and joy let us share it.

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

All: And also with you.

Adapted—Rex A. Hunt

http://www.rexaehuntprogressive.com/liturgy_collection/year_b_liturgy_collection/year_b_pentecostafter/pentecostb2452015.htmlOne:

EXPLORING

Gathering Prayer

One: Gather us in, gather us in and touch us with your love, O God.

All: We are your people, beloved and abounding in holy wisdom.

One: Gather us in, gather us in and touch us with your grace, O God.

All: We are Christ's people, given courage as we walk his way.

One: Gather us in, gather us in and touch us with your presence, O God.

All: We are Spirit people, blessed through your power.

One: Gather us in, gather us – for we know that in this place, on this day, we are home. Amen.

★ Children's Hymn: "Jesus' Hands Were Kind Hands" 🎵 VU #570

**Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all,
healing pain and sickness, blessing children small,
washing tired feet, and saving those who fall;
Jesus' hands were kind hands, doing good to all.**

**Take my hands, O Jesus, let them work for you,
make them strong and gentle, kind in all I do;
let me watch you, Jesus, till I'm gentle too,
till my hands are kind hands, quick to work for you.**

Story Time

📖 **Scripture — Mark 5: 21- 43**

Ministry of Music: "I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"
(Lani Kerbl, soloist)

Sermon "The Power Within"

★ Hymn: "Love Is the Touch" 🎵 MV #89

**Love is the touch of intangible joy;
Love is the force that no fear can destroy;
Love is the goodness we gladly applaud:
God is where love is, for love is of God.**

**Love is the lift in a lingering voice;
Love is the hope that can make us rejoice;
Love is the cure for the frightened and flawed:
God is where love is, for love is of God.**

**Love is the light in the tunnel of pain;
Love is the will to be whole once again;
Love is the trust of a friend on the road:
God is where love is, for love is of God.**

**Love is the Maker and Spirit and Son;
Love is the kingdom their will has begun;
Love is the path which the saints all have trod:
God is where love is, for love is of God.**

RESPONDING

Offering – invitation

Offertory “They Can’t Take That Away from Me” by Gershwin

★ **Dedication:** “What Can I Do?” ♪ MV #191

**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

All: Giver of every good gift, we return to you from what you have given. We ask only that you make our hearts and our lives as much a gift as this money, for when all of who we are is given, great and amazing things can happen. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Lord’s Prayer Paraphrase *(said by 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:** “River Running in You and Me” 🎵 MV #163

River running in you and me,
 Spirit of life, deep mystery,
 Dancing down to the holy sea,
 River run deep, river run free.

River laughed on my birthing day,
 Wind and water joined in play
 soaked my soul in a shining spray,
 River run deep, river run free.

River, cry my name to me,
 lend me hope and memory,
 sing me the story of the holy sea,
 River run deep, river run free.

I stand on the edge, lookin’ down,
 too scared to swim, afraid I’ll drown –
 give me the courage to journey on,
 River run deep, river run free.

Journey on far from my home,
 river break this heart of stone;
 teach me to love, make me your own,
 River run deep, river run free.

Hold me close on the day I die,
 bear me up when my soul is tired,
 carry me home on the rising tide,
 River run deep, river run free.

River singin’ in you and me,
 Spirit of life – deep mystery,
 catch us up in your melody,
 River run deep, river run free.

★ **Commissioning and Blessing**

★ Sung Alleluia

“Alleluia”

♪ MV #52

Alle, alle, alleluia!**Alle, alle, allelu, alle, alleluia!****Postlude:** “Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

by W.S. Stevenson

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

Ushers: Henry Tensen; Jim Bowman

Greeters:..... Ken & Mary Willsie

Lay Reader: Annette Dekker

Band Members:..... Bob Hudgins, Jeff Stacey, Jamie Hofman,
..... Angie & Neil Murray

Soloist: Lani Kerbl

Juice Hour:..... Darlene Basse; Delores Benedik

We also thank the volunteers who have been setting up the gym every Sunday this month for us. Additional helpers are needed!

The Ministry of Parkminster: All of us

Ministers:..... Rev. Heather Power (ext. 22) and
..... Rev. Joe Gaspar (ext. 23)

Music Director: Neil Murray (ext. 25)

Office Administrator:..... Melanie Chisholm (ext. 21)

Custodian:..... Allen Switzer (ext. 26)



It is with deep sadness that we share the recent passing of Parkminster member Trudie Robbins, beloved mother to daughters Lynne Short and Christine Wilkens. As a caring congregation we extend our love and most heartfelt sympathies to Lynne and Christine, their family and friends as they mourn their loss. We pray they will feel comfort and support from our prayers as we hold them in the light. Trudie will be greatly missed by her Parkminster friends.

Family and friends are invited to share their memories of Trudie with her family during a memorial visitation Erb & Good Family Funeral Home, 171 King Street S., Waterloo on Monday July 16, 2018 from 2-4pm and 6-8 pm. A memorial service will be held at Forest Hill United Church, 121 Westmount Road East, Kitchener on Tuesday July 17, 2018 at 10:30am with a reception to follow in the church hall.

“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 **Deadline for submission – 10:00am Thursdays.**

MINISTER’S MESSAGE

Rev. Joe Gaspar returns from vacation on Monday, July 16th.

JULY OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note that the office will be CLOSED July 24 & 25. Melanie will return on July 26th.

SUMMER WORSHIP HELP IS STILL NEEDED

Volunteers are still needed to help during July & August as House Groups take a break. We need people to help with greeting, ushering, as lay readers, juice hour servers, etc. **Sign-up sheet is by the main entrance.** Thanks to those of you who have already signed up!

LIFT UPDATE

The lift will be out of order until the end of July. We are awaiting the final finishes and the inspection. Thank you for your continued patience.

PARKMINSTER PHOTO DIRECTORY

Our photo directories have arrived and will be distributed after church on a few Sundays during the summer, and when we get back into normal attendance in September. We also have the 8 x 10 photos for a number of people.

ALL NATIONS GRAND RIVER WATER WALK, SEPT 15-29

If you are looking for a way to support Indigenous neighbours beyond our weekly land acknowledgement, the Outreach Committee has an opportunity for you to consider. You can support the All Nations Grand River Water Walk, Sept 15-29 by sponsoring any number of kilometers, at \$10/km. This money will go to help pay for Indigenous walkers' expenses along the route, such as food and water, lodging, and transportation. You can donate using the Parkminster website or put it in an offering envelope on any Sunday between now and Sept 8. Please make cheques out to "Parkminster United Church" and write "Water Walk" in the memo line. THANK YOU for your support! For more information see the bulletin board at Parkminster or go to the Parkminster website.