

# Port Wallis United Church

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\* Εν αρχη ην ο λόγος \* In the beginning was the Word \* Au commencement était la Parole \* An toiseach bha am Focal \* Al principio, c'era colui che è "la Parola"

**Season of Pentecost**

**Remembrance Sunday**

**07 November 2021**

**Port Wallis United Church  
is an open Congregation  
that affirms you as a child of God,  
made in God's Image,  
and loved by God.**

**WORDS OF WELCOME / BIENVENUE / FAILTE / PJILA'DIK**

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND**

We acknowledge that we are meeting in Mi'kma'ki,  
the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq People.

## **LIGHTING OF A CHRIST CANDLE** *(for use at home and together on Sunday morning)*

You, O God, are light shining in the darkness of the universe,  
guiding us onward from what was to what can be.  
May this candle, whether lit or unlit,  
remind me of your presence and bring me comfort in every day.  
In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

From east and west, from north and south,  
let us gather to remember, to give thanks, and to worship God.

**We come to be inspired by the Word of God  
and honour the sacrifices of men and women  
who have committed themselves  
and are still committing themselves  
to service before self.**

In times of peace, in times of conflict,  
in times of uncertainty, in times of disaster

**We remember that we are not alone.**

We are united by the love of the One who said:

**"No one has greater love than this,  
to lay down their life for their friends."**

As we gather to remember, let us worship God.

## GATHERING MUSIC *(tune at # 16 in More Voices)*

Confitemini Domino quoniam bonus, *(Con-fi-te-mi-ni Do-mi-no quo-ni-am bo-nus)*  
 Confitemini Domino, alleluia! *(Con-fi-te-mi-ni Do-mi-no, al-le-lu-ia)*  
 Come and fill our hearts with your peace, You alone, O Lord, are holy.  
 Come and fill our hearts with your peace, alleluia.

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## PRAYER OF APPROACH and the LORD'S PRAYER

God of our past, our present, and our future,  
 God of insight, peace and life,  
 God of all nations, peoples and languages,  
**We are your children.**

Send your Holy Spirit among us that we may be filled with hope:

**Hope for a future where war is left behind,**  
**Hope for a world that lives together in peace,**  
**Hope for a society that seeks justice for all.**

This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord  
 who taught us to pray before You saying,

**Our Father..... Notre Père..... Ar n-Athair.... 주님의 기도 Fader vår....**

**Ons Vader.... Onze Vader... Vater unser... Padre Nostro... Padre nuestro...**

**主の祈り 主禱文 أَبَانَا Isä meidän Πάτερ ἡμῶν Baba yetu**

## HYMN # 708 *(VU)* MY LORD, WHAT A MORNING

*Refrain:*

**My Lord, what a morning, My Lord, what a morning,  
 My Lord, what a morning When the stars begin to fall.**

You'll hear the trumpet sound To wake the nations underground,  
 Looking to my God's right hand When the stars begin to fall. *Refrain*

You'll hear the sinner cry To wake the nations underground,  
 Looking to my God's right hand When the stars begin to fall. *Refrain*

You'll hear the Christian shout To wake the nations underground,  
 Looking to my God's right hand When the stars begin to fall. *Refrain*

## SCRIPTURE LESSONS

**First Testament: Isaiah 2: 1 – 5**

## Psalm 90

LORD, You have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.

<sup>2</sup> Before the mountains were born, yea, even before You brought forth the cosmos,  
from everlasting to everlasting, from time immortal,  
You have been, You are, and You will be - God.

<sup>3</sup> You remind us that we are created from the dust of the cosmos,  
and to dust we shall return.

**Still we hope in the LORD who brings life out of death  
who strengthens the weary with the gift of each breath.**

<sup>4</sup> A thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just slipped past,  
or like a sleep in the night that was far too short.

<sup>5</sup> people slip away in the sleep of death, too quickly they are gone.  
They are like the grass in the fields:

<sup>6</sup> In the morning it springs up new,  
but by evening it is dry and withered.

**Still we hope in the LORD who brings life out of death  
who strengthens the weary with the gift of each breath.**

<sup>7</sup> We should be consumed by your anger, we should be terrified by your indignation.

<sup>8</sup> You set our iniquities before us, our secret sins are exposed in the light of your  
presence.

<sup>9</sup> The days of our pride can pass away under your wrath;  
we finish our years with a moan.

<sup>10</sup> We think that the days of our life will be three score and ten,  
or, if by reason of strength, maybe four score,  
yet in all of them, we will find trouble and sorrow,  
and too quickly, our days will pass away and we will fly away.

**Still we hope in the LORD who brings life out of death  
who strengthens the weary with the gift of each breath.**

<sup>11</sup> If only we knew the power of your anger! You will not tolerate injustice!

Your righteous wrath is the greatest fear we should have.

<sup>12</sup> Remind us that our days are numbered, remind us that we may seek wisdom.

**Still we hope in the LORD who brings life out of death  
who strengthens the weary with the gift of each breath.**

<sup>13</sup> Have compassion on your servants.

<sup>14</sup> Satisfy us in the morning of our lives with your unfailing love,  
that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

<sup>15</sup> Make us glad for as many days as we have been afflicted,  
grant us more years of peace than we have seen of trouble.

<sup>16</sup> May we, your servants, perceive your wonderful deeds,  
May your splendour, be the deeds of glory we tell to our children.

<sup>17</sup> May your favour, the favour of the LORD our God, rest upon us;  
 May all we do be for your glory, yes, establish the work of our hands.  
**Still we hope in the LORD who brings life out of death  
 who strengthens the weary with the gift of each breath.**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,  
**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, amen.**

**Gospel Lesson: John 15: 9 – 17**

**A TEACHING TIME** (*a time of learning for younger folk*)

**TEACHING PRAYER**

In peace, dear God, I come to You through Jesus Christ who makes me new  
 And while I run or play or rest, be with those whom I love best,  
 Guide me in your Holy Way, as You walk with me each day, AMEN.

**HYMN # 707 (VU) FOR THE FAITHFUL WHO HAVE ANSWERED**

For the faithful who have answered when they heard your call to serve,  
 for the many ways you led them, testing will and stretching nerve,  
 for their work and for their witness as they strove against the odds,  
 for their courage and obedience we give thanks and praise, O God.

Many eyes have glimpsed the promise many hearts have yearned to see.  
 Many ears have heard you calling us to greater liberty.  
 Some have fallen in the struggle, others still are fighting on.  
 You are not ashamed to own us. We give thanks and praise, O God.

For this cloud of faithful witness, for the common life we share,  
 for the work of peace and justice, for the gospel that we bear,  
 for the vision that our homeland is your love-- deep, high, and broad--  
 for the different roads we travel we give thanks and praise, O God.

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**REFLECTION**

**STATEMENT OF FAITH**

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. Amen.

## **ANTHEM – PEACE PRAYER**

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Almighty and ever-present God,  
 receive the gifts we offer, both visible and invisible,  
 and use them and us  
 for Your Glory and the good of all people.  
 In Jesus' name we pray, Amen

### **PASTORAL PRAYER**

### **HYMN # 716 (VU) MY LIFE FLOWS ON**

My life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation,  
 I hear the sweet, though far off hymn that hails a new creation.  
 Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear the music ringing:  
 It finds an echo in my soul -- how can I keep from singing?

What though my joys and comforts die? My Saviour still is living.  
 What though the shadows gather round? A new song Christ is giving.  
 No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging:  
 since Love commands both heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

When tyrants tremble, sick with fear, and hear their death knells ringing:  
 when friends rejoice both far and near, how can I keep from singing?  
 In prison cell and dungeon vile our thoughts to them are winging:  
 when friends by shame are undefiled, how can I keep from singing?

I lift my eyes; the cloud grows thin; I see the blue above it;  
 and day by day this pathway smooths, since first I learned to love it.  
 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing:  
 all things are mine since I am Christ's -- how can I keep from singing?

### **PARTING PRAYER (in unison)**

**Bless to us, O God, this day,  
 The doors we open, the thresholds we cross, and all the roads that lie before us.  
 Go with us always as we go and,  
 at the close of our day, welcome us home.**

## EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLE

*We are reminded that the Light of Christ is not in candles nor institutions but within each of us. We are the Light of the World*

## BENEDICTION

May the blessing of the Maker be yours,

**Encircling us, above us and within us.**

May the blessing of the Son be yours,

**The Wine and the water, the Bread and the stories,  
to feed us and remind us.**

May the blessing of the Spirit be yours,

**The wind and the fire, the still small voice of calm,  
to comfort us and disturb us.**

May the blessing of God, Three-in-One and One-in-Three,  
be yours, this day and every day,

**To protect us, defend us, encourage us and strengthen us.**

And may we bless each other,

**A blessing rooted in our common pilgrimage, the blessing of a friend.**

## EXCHANGING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

*Mention someone's name and hold them in your heart.*

## CHORAL PRAYER *(Singing - Tune is at # 298 in Voices United) (Canada)*

**When you walk from here,**

**When you walk from here,**

**Walk with Justice, walk with Mercy,**

**And with God's Humble Care.** *Linnea Good 1991*

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