

## 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 bhia am Focal \* Al principio, c'era colui che è "la Parola" \*

Season of Pentecost

13 November 2022

### 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.

WELCOME / BIENVENUE / FAILTE / PJILA'DIK

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LIGHTING OF THE TABLE CANDLES

God of Light, your radiance shines among us in many forms,  
May these Candles remind us of your Guiding Presence  
Always present in Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the Love of God,  
and the Fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

Come, people. Let us call out to the LORD our God!

**The time is near and God is here.**

Let us bear testimony to the LORD our God!

**God is here and the time is near!**

Family of Faith, let us approach the LORD our God.

**Now is the time and God is here.**

Let us worship God.

INTROIT (# 96 in More Voices)

**And when you call for me, I have already answered.**

**And when you all for me, I am already there.**

PRAYER OF APPROACH

God of Creation and Re-Creation,

Through disease and disaster, You hold us!

Through tears and trials, You hold us!

Through all the days of our lives, You hold us!

Hold us now in this time of worship. Embrace us with your Spirit and lead us to the new life You have promised through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray before You saying,

Our Father..... Notre Père..... Ar n-Athair.... 주님의 기도

Onze Vader... Vater unser... Padre nuestro...

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HYMN # 109 (MV) MY SOUL IS THIRSTING FOR YOU

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, who gives us the promise of peace,  
forgive us when the only solution we see is the way of war.

Bless not only the Peace Keepers but the Peace Makers.

Bless those who are not out for "just-us" but for "justice".

Bless all who defend the defenceless.

Forgive us when anger explodes and injures another.

Pardon not only our actions but our inactions.

Set us at liberty from lies and lead us to the highway of holiness  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

SILENT PRAYER and ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM – I KNOW HE WATCHES ME

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

First Testament Lesson: Isaiah 65: 17 - 25

Psalms 130 on Page 852 (sung) in Voices United

Epistle Lesson : 2 Thessalonians 3: 6 - 13

Gospel Lesson: Luke 21: 5 - 19

LEARNING TIME and 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 # 713 (VU) I SEE A NEW HEAVEN

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.

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Receive the work of our hands, the imagination of our minds,  
the skills we have honed and the talents we have practiced.

Bless what we offer and use all for your glory  
in Jesus' name I pray, Amen.

### **HYMN # 144 (MV) LIKE A HEALING STREAM**

### **PASTORAL PRAYER**

### **HYMN # 678 (VU) FOR THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS**

### **COMMISSIONING and BENEDECTION**

### **EXTINGUISHING OF THE TABLE CANDLES**

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

### **CHORAL PARTING PRAYER (MV # 214)**

May God's sheltering wings, Her gathering wings protect you,

May God's nurturing arms, His cradling arms, sustain you,

And hold you in Their love! And hold you in God's love.

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