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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

12 November 2023

** denotes standing if able*

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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LAND

CALL TO WORSHIP *

Love the LORD and serve God with faithfulness!

It is the LORD our God

who brought us from slavery to systems, schedules and powers.

It is the LORD our God

who redeemed us from death and the fear of failure.

It is the LORD our God

who preformed great signs and coincidences to calm us.

It is the LORD our God

who protected us on your journey and will be with us forever.

We will serve the LORD our God!

Amen! Let us worship the LORD our God!

INTROIT (# tune at 288 in *Voices United*) *

Great is your faithfulness, God my Provider,

There is no fear of You turning from me.

You never change and Your love is eternal;

As You have been You forever will be.

Great is your faithfulness! Great is your faithfulness!

Morning by morning your wonders I see!

All I have needed your hand has provided,

Great is your faithfulness, ever to me.

PRAYER OF APPROACH and the LORD'S PRAYER *

Ever Present God, Source of all Creation,
send your Spirit into this place that we may perceive You,
send your Spirit into us that we may know You
and send your Spirit before us to lead us in prayer and praise.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who taught us to pray to You, saying,

**Our Father..... Notre Père..... Ar n-Athair.... 주님의 기도
Onze Vader... Vater unser... Padre nuestro... Baba Yetu...
主の祈り 主禱文 اَبَاتَا Isä meidän Πάτερ ἡμῶν**

HYMN ~ GIVE ME OIL IN MY LAMP *

Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning,

Give me oil in my lamp, I pray!

Give me oil in my lamp, keep me burning,

Keep me burning to the break of day!

Chorus

Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna!

Sing Hosanna to the King of Kings!

Sing Hosanna! Sing Hosanna!

Sing Hosanna to the King of Kings!

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising!

Give me joy in my heart, I pray! 2X then the *Chorus*

Give me peace in my heart, keep me loving!

Give me peace in my heart, I pray! 2X then the *Chorus*

Give me love in my heart, keep me serving!

Give me love in my heart, I pray! 2X then the *Chorus*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal and Holy One, You have sent your light into the world
to be the light for all people

and called us to be children of the light,

and bearers of your light to the nations.

Yet we have often set your light aside.

Forgive us and guide us through the darkness

into your Kingdom of Light through Christ our Lord, Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING *Singing ~ with tune at hymn # 95 MV.*

How deep the peace, the confidence,
of those whose wrongs are forgiven.
How deep the peace, the confidence
of those whose hearts are healed.

TEACHING 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.

ANTHEM – LORD, LIFT ME UP

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

First Testaments: Joshua 3: 7 - 17

Psalm 78: 1 – 7

We sing the chorus twice to begin and then when printed in the Psalm.

*“My people,” says the Lord,
“hear my voice, hear my word!”*

“My people, hear my teaching;
listen to the words of my mouth.
I will open my mouth with a parable;
I will utter hidden things, things from of old!
**Things we have heard and known,
things our ancestors have told us.”**

*“My people,” says the Lord,
“hear my voice, hear my word!”*

LORD, we will not hide your teachings from our descendants;
**We will tell the next generation
of the wonderful things that God has done!
We will speak of your Power and point out your wonders!**

*“My people,” says the Lord,
“hear my voice, hear my word!”*

God established the Torah for Israel,
and decreed statutes and laws for their descendants,
God commanded our ancestors to teach them to their children,

**so that the next generation would know them,
so that children yet to be born would have guidance,
and so succeeding generations would tell their children.**

*“My people,” says the Lord,
“hear my voice, hear my word!”*

O that all tribes and nations, and people of the earth,
should hear your voice, O God and put their trust in You.
**May we never forget God’s marvelous deeds
and may we always keep God’s commands.**

*“My people,” says the Lord,
“hear my voice, hear my word!”*

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: Matthew 25: 1 – 13 *

SMALL GROUP

REFLECTION

OFFERTORY HYMN # 711 (VU) SLEEPERS, WAKE! *

PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN # 274 (VU) YOUR HAND, O GOD, HAS GUIDED *

COMMISSIONING and BENEDICTION *

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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