WESLEY UNITED CHURCH

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Wesley United Church, located on Treaty 4 land, is an Affirming Ministry of Jesus Christ, nurturing spiritual exploration and growth. We advocate for justice and social action. We love and care for ourselves and our neighbours throughout the world.

Minister: Cindy Bourgeois Office Coordinator: Tina Blair Youth Coordinator: Hannah Dove Caretaker: Jon Weichel Choir Director: Sarah Stubbe President: Stephanie Dove Vice-President: Dan Holbrow Past President: David Kyle Secretary: Al Goudie Treasurer: Jim Chernick

7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST July 8, 2018 10:00 a.m. Assisting in Worship

Reader: Dan Beveridge

Congregational responses are indicated by bold italics. * You are invited to stand

WE GATHER IN COMMUNITY

PRELUDE

*WE SING MV #161 I Have Called You By Your Name

GATHERING WORDS

Holy Manyone, we pray for your blessing on the church in this place.

Here may the faithful find hope, and the careless be awakened.

Opening up to hospitality.

Here may the doubting find courage, and the anxious be calmed.

Opening up to hospitality.

Here may the tempted find help, and the sorrowful be comforted.

Opening up to hospitality.

Here may the weary find rest, and the strong be renewed.

Opening up to hospitality.

Here may the aged find consolation, and the young be inspired, in Jesus, the Christ.

Amen.

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

We light this candle in remembrance of the Christ, calling us to inclusivity, diversity and radical neighbour love so that we might open our hearts to More Voices:

seeking Wisdom through listening, caring, and connection.

WELCOME

OUR OPENING PRAYER

...Unknowable Mystery, We honour the presence of the holy in our midst. May the "kin-dom" flourish among us.

May we have only what we need each day that all might have enough and more tomorrow.

May we be as generous in offering forgiveness as we have been humbled and grateful in being forgiven.

- May we be strengthened through our trials; and may we face evil with courage, truth and love.
- As we pray in Jesus' name, may we also walk in his way. Amen.

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

*WE SING MV #30 It's a Song of Praise To the Maker

WE LISTEN

SUNG PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL

Mark 6:1-13

As we reflect on these words from our tradition,

may we find wisdom for living.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Fac ut ardeat cor meum from Stabat Mater by Giovanni Pergolesi

SPECULATION

WE RESPOND

*WE SING VU #510

We Have This Ministry

 We have this ministry and we are not discouraged;

it is by God's own power that we may live and serve. Openly we share God's word, speaking truth as we believe, praying that the shadowed world may healing light receive. We have this ministry, O God, receive our living. O Christ, the tree of life, our end and our beginning, we grow to fullest flower when rooted in your love. Brothers, sisters, clergy, lay, called to service by your grace, different cultures, different gifts, the young and old a place. We have this ministry, O God, receive our giving. The yoke of Christ is ours, the whole world is our parish; we daily take the cross, the burden and the joy. Bearing hurts of those we serve, wounded, bruised and bowed with pain, Holy Spirit, bread and wine, we die and rise again. We have this ministry, O God, receive our loving.

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MINUTE FOR MISSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR PRAYERS

WE ARE CHALLENGED TO SHARE

OFFERTORY

*OUR RESPONSE

Wesley Offering Song

People let us work together, striving for community All are welcome in the circle, centre of diversity Sharing, caring, learning, growing Rising to each neighbour's needs Celebrating all creation, following where Jesus leads

*WE DEDICATE OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

*WE SING MV #209

Go Make a Diff'rence

*WORDS OF MISSION & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Prayers from a Wesley Table Service

Spirit of life, holy mystery, we are grateful that you open us to the world around us. May we be active in our world, helping those who need us and standing with those who are voiceless due to disability, poverty, racism. As we see the communal good, help us also to be aware of the needs of the individuals around us, those we know well, and those we do not know well.

Holy mystery, we give thanks for the Sunday morning study group. Lead us to greater understanding of your words and our mission. Lead us also to action as we seek community with others. Help us to find the strength we need to stand in opposition to discrimination, wherever we find it. We hope to find the wisdom to accept others as they are.

As a community we are grateful that we are able to use our resources for the common good. May we discover the gifts of wisdom and discernment we need to know what the common good is. May our community become welcoming to newness, and offer our time and energy to whatever comes our way.