

Prince Edward North Pastoral Charge
Friendship United Church
January 10, 2010

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Gathering Hymn VU 315 Holy, Holy, Holy

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of The Christ Candle

Call To Worship

Come people of God!

Lift our hearts to the God who created us.

Sing, like Miriam did, leading the Hebrews in joyful celebration!

Dance, like David did before the Ark of the Covenant!

Rejoice, as Mary did when told she would bear a son:

And give thanks, as the people of God have done since they were given voice.

Let us worship God!

Hymn MV 161 I Have Called You By Your Name

Opening Prayer

God of the morning light,

Fill us with your grace.

God of the evening stars,

Fill us with your compassion.

God of the eternal light,

Fill us with your love. Amen

Prayer of Confession

How long, O God will you stand at the door and knock?

We'd love to let you in, God, but we're so busy right now; there are meals to make and bills to pay – but please come again.

How long, O God, will you call?

We'd love to talk God, but we're so busy right now: there are hockey games to attend and snow to shovel – but please come again.

How long, O God, will you wait?

We'd love to follow, God, but we're so busy right now: there are exams to pass and work overdue – but please come again.

O God, forgive us.

Words of Assurance

God will knock, call, and wait as long as it takes.

God will never leave us; God will always forgive us.

Thanks be to God. Amen

Hymn VU 644 I Was There To Hear Your Boring Cry

Caregivers In Action

Children's Time

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Choir

Scripture Isaiah 43: 1-7

Sermon

RESPONDING TO GOD'S LOVE

Hymn see Insert Be Not Afraid

Offerings of Our Life's Work "Take These Gifts"

Take these gifts and let them be

Used as blessings sent from thee

Take our lives and use us all

For your glory and your call.

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn VU 651 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Commissioning & Benediction

Choral Amen



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PRINCE EDWARD NORTH PASTORAL CHARGE

Wesley United - 9:30 am

Friendship United - 11:00 am

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