

Prince Edward North Pastoral Charge
Friendship United Church
January 17, 2010

GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Gathering Hymn VU 315 Holy, Holy, Holy

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of The Christ Candle

Band Come Holy Spirit
Spirit of The Living God

Opening Prayer

We thank you, O God, that we can join together as members of the faith community,

Celebrating the presence of persons from so many different backgrounds in the family of Jesus Christ.

We thank you, O God, that we can join with Christians of all the ages,

Celebrating the trusted tradition of prayer, praise, and joyful worship.

We thank you, O God, that we can join with those who study the Word,

Celebrating the inspiration of scripture, alert for the prophetic message, and challenged by the Way of Jesus Christ.

We thank you, O God, that we can join with those who put faith into practice,

Celebrating the influence of Christian values, at home, at school, in the workplace, and wherever poverty and powerlessness are confronted. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, you are closer than the breath that is within us, you know us better than our best friend, you care for us more deeply than our closest family member, you desire us to be utterly faithful; and so

When confidence deserts us, when energy for good leaves us, when compassion abandons us, when zest for forgiveness and justice cannot be found within us, you call us to reflection, confession, and new resolution.

(Time for silent reflection)

Words of Assurance

All seeing, all knowing, all understanding God,

You challenge us, you enlighten us, you call us to new ways.

The life which lies ahead for you will be joyful;

God's peace will be at the heart of it.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Caregivers In Action

Children's Time

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Choir

Scripture Isaiah 62: 1-5 (NRSV)
John 2: 1-11 (NRSV)

Sermon

RESPONDING TO GOD'S LOVE

Band A Light Is Gleaming

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

Take these gifts and let them be Used as blessings sent from thee

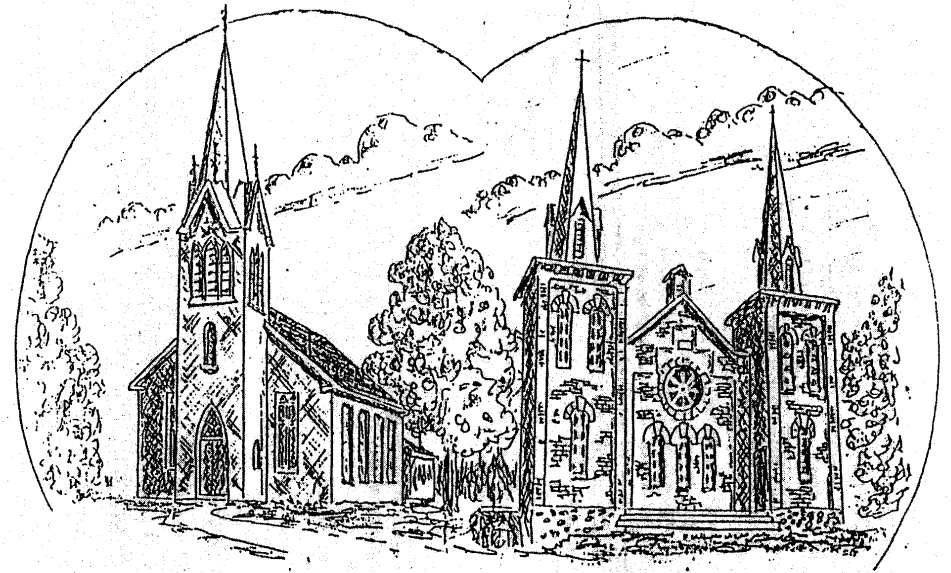
**Take our lives and use us all
For your glory and your call.**

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Band We Are Pilgrims (The Servant Song)
 Spirit of The Lord

Commissioning & Benediction

Choral Amen



*Friendship & Wesley
 United Churches*

*PRINCE EDWARD NORTH PASTORAL CHARGE
Wesley United - 9:30 am
Friendship United - 11:00 am*

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