

Prince Edward North Pastoral Charge  
Reign Of Christ Sunday  
November 22, 2009

**GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

Gathering Hymn VU 315 Holy, Holy, Holy  
Welcome and Announcements  
The Lighting of the Christ Candle

Hymn VU 213 Rejoice The Lord Is King

Call To Worship

In our circle of uncertainty and hurry,

**you, O God, are the fixed point of calm.**

In our stretched moments of stress and emotion,

**you, O God, are the secure center of peace.**

In our well-worn routine of the everyday,

**you, O God, are the flash of fresh inspiration.**

In our moments of the ordinary and the earthly,

**you, O God, are the Spirit that transforms and transcends  
with the Holy.**

Opening Prayer

Loving God, enable us to prepare for the reign of Christ.

**When the reign of Christ begins, all will be free to worship  
and to express their opinions.**

When the reign of Christ begins,

**weapons of war will be destroyed and all children will be  
secure.**

When the reign of Christ begins,

**Mother Earth will be respected and her waters will be pure.**

When the reign of Christ begins,

**prayer and praise will flow spontaneously to God and  
worship will be wholehearted and joyful.**

But when will the reign of Christ begin?

**We will bring it closer! Amen.**

A Prayer of Longing and Confession

We long for Christ's reign on earth; the poor and powerless will  
get a fair deal.

**Where we lack generosity, O God, encourage us to share.**

We long for Christ's reign on earth; the vulnerable ones will gain  
confidence.

**Where we lack confidence, O God, open our eyes to see the  
downtrodden.**

We long for Christ's reign on earth; those controlled and  
restricted will be free.

**Where we lack a liberating attitude, O God, enable us to  
work in new ways.**

We long for Christ's reign on earth; the faithful will be joyful and  
active in the community.

**Where we lack involvement, O God, open us to initiatives of  
compassion and participation.**

*Time of reflection...*

Words of Assurance

We will work to bring closer the reign of Christ.

**We will need new attitudes, renewed vision, and a change  
of heart.**

God will grant you the strength: spiritual, emotional, and  
practical.

**We are ready!**

Pardon, peace, and a new determination are yours.

Hymn VU 264 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Caregivers In Action

Children's Time

**LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD**

Scripture John 18: 33-37

Sermon

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S LOVE

Hymn      VU 30 Hail To God's Own Anointed (alternate tune)

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.**

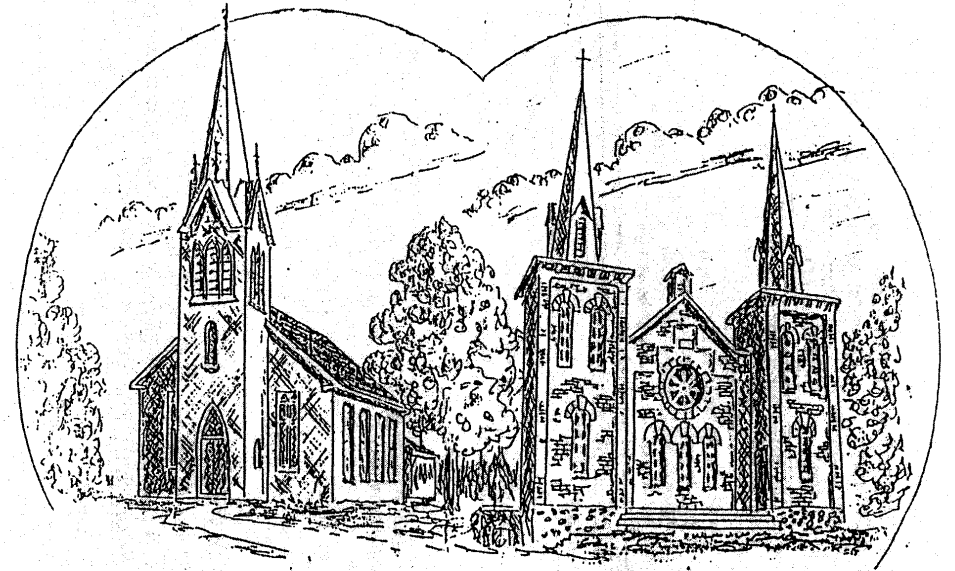
Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn      VU 342      You Servants Of God

Commissioning & Benediction

Choral Amen

We extend a warm welcome to all those visiting with us today. We invite you to come worship with us again!



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