

Prince Edward North Pastoral Charge
Wesley United Church Friendship United Church
Mountain View Demorestville
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GATHERING AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Gathering Hymn VU 315 Holy, Holy, Holy(1st verse)
Welcome and Announcements
The Lighting of the Christ Candle

Hymn VU 220 Praise To The Lord, The Almighty

Call To Worship

Lost in the crowd, left behind in the rush.
Silenced by shame, crippled by fears.
This is the human experience, oftentimes, this is how life is.
**And so we come – not to parade,
not to perform – but simply to be heard.
And to be dignified in the hearing, to be re-valued for the
living, to be inspired for the giving.**

Opening prayer

God of Jesus, come our way, with ears of attentiveness
and words of hope so that we, too, might rise up
and follow in the steady footsteps of Jesus, taking shelter within
the healing shadow of Christ.
Amen.

A Litany of confession

What am I crying out for, and how might others, or I, stop this
cry from being heard?

Many voices shout out...

BE QUIET!

To the one who is homeless and says to Jesus,
“I want a place to call my own; a table for my bread and meat,
a warm blanket to sleep under and some work to sustain my
daily living” (*pause*).

Many voices shout out...

BE QUIET!

To the youth who is delinquent and says to Jesus,
“I want some peace of mind; an end to the angry voices
that drive me to paths of self-destruction. I need someone to say
I am worth something in this mess of a world” (*pause*).

Many voices shout out...

BE QUIET!

To the one who is gay and says to Jesus,
“I want to come out of this closet, long shut by misunderstanding
and fear; I want to honestly love someone in a way that is life-
giving and free” (*pause*).

Many voices shout out...

BE QUIET!

Yet Jesus says, “Come here.”

Many voices shout out...

BE QUIET!

And the silent spring up and run.

Many voices shout out...

BE QUIET!

And Jesus asks, “What can I do for you?”

Many voices shout out...

BE QUIET!

Yet the grace of Christ rises above the clamour and fearlessly
strides on before us.

Words of assurance

Here the words of the psalmist:

“This poor soul cried and was heard by God, and was saved
from every trouble.”

Friends, before and within our bountiful God,
we are made whole and given renewed strength for faith's

uncertain journey.

All praise be to God. Amen.

Hymn VU 266 Amazing Grace

Caregivers In Action

Children's Time

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Choir

First Scripture Job 42: 1-6, 10-17

Second Scripture Mark 10: 46-52

Sermon

RESPONDING TO GOD'S LOVE

Hymn VU 713 I See A New Heaven

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

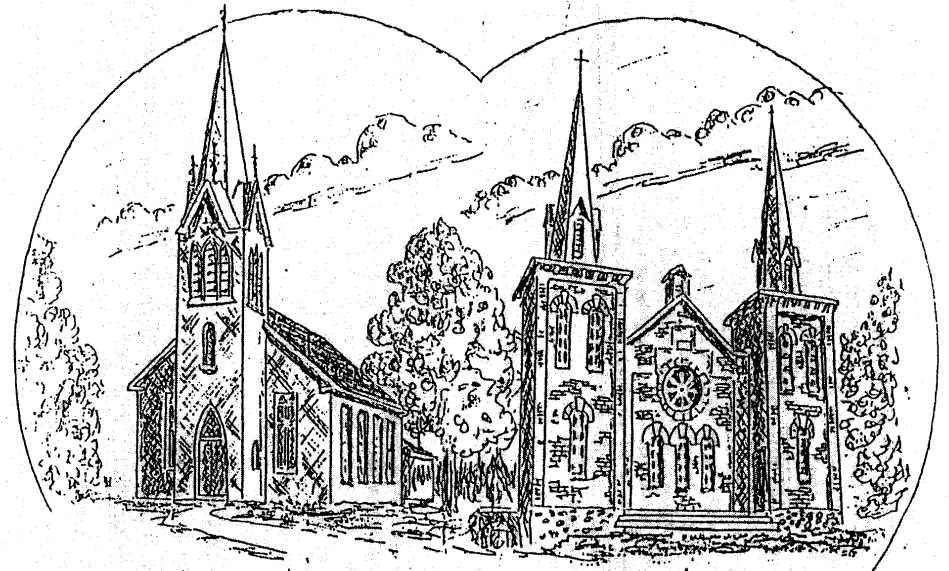
**Take these gifts and let them be
Used as blessings sent from thee
Take our lives and use us all
For your glory and your call.**

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn VU 563 Jesus, You Have Come To The Lakeshore

Commissioning & Benediction

Choral Amen



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