



**Lighting of the Candle**

**Acknowledgement of land:**

For thousands of years, First Nations people have walked on this land; their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and spirituality. As we gather, let us pause to remember that in this region we live and work and worship on ancestral lands, on Treaty One Territory. Treaty One was established August 3, 1871, between the Anishinabe Swampy Cree and Ojibway with the Imperial Crown of Great Britain and Ireland.

These lands are the heartland of the Metis people. May we live with respect on this land and live in peace and friendship with its people.

**Gathering Together in Singing:**

“Creator, We Gather” (*Voices United* 532)

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1. Creator, we gather to offer you praise,  
the source of our lives and the strength of our days,  
recalling our past, yet aspiring in faith,  
Lord, accept our thanks.

2. For beauty of building in wood and in stone,  
where Christians may gather, approaching your throne,  
for faith, hope and love which this edifice raised,  
Lord, accept our thanks.

3. For artistry fashioned in lead and in glass,  
for love and the talent that brought it to pass,  
for colour in nature our eyes can behold,  
Lord, accept our thanks.

4. For scriptures directing our lives for today,  
for teaching that opens our minds to your way,  
for words of salvation received from your Son,  
Lord, accept our thanks.

5. For music of spirit that lifts us in song,  
for great hymns that urge us in faith to be strong,  
for sounds of creation, now heard in our ears,  
Lord, accept our thanks.

\*5b For bread and the wine we receive once again,  
For Christ who redeems us, our lives to reclaim,  
for love which he gives us, so limitless, free,  
Lord, accept our thanks.

6. To you, God Creator, the source of all joy,  
who gave varied talents, our minds to employ,  
our lives in your service we offer anew,  
Lord, accept our thanks.

## Welcome and Community News

### Singing: Don't Be Afraid MV#90

Don't be afraid. My love is stronger,  
My love is stronger than your fear.  
Don't be afraid. My love is stronger,  
And I have promised, promised to be always near.

## Call to Worship

### Singing: "Spirit of Gentleness" VU#375

*Spirit, Spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness,  
calling and free.  
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness,  
Wind, wind on the sea.*

You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,  
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep,  
and over the eons you called to each thing:  
Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.

You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand,  
and you goaded your people with a law and a land,  
and when they were blinded with their idols and lies,  
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes.

You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,  
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still,  
and down in the city you called once again,  
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.

You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes,  
from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams,  
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes,  
with bold new decisions your people arise

## Sharing of Peace

### Children's Time – Juno Winner and Nominee: William Prince Youtube, Singing "7" "Live at Grosvenor School, Winnipeg" (used with permission)

### Lord's Prayer (all languages welcome and spoken)

#### English

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.

#### Nepali

हे हाम्रा पिता, जो स्वर्गमा हुनुहुन्छ,  
तपाईंको नाउँ पवित्र होस्।  
तपाईंको राज्य आओस्।  
तपाईंको इच्छा स्वर्गमा जस्तो छ,  
त्यस्तै यस पृथ्वीमा पूरा होस्।  
हामीलाई आज हाम्रो दैनिक भोजन दिनुहोस्।  
हाम्रा अपराधहरू क्षमा गर्नुहोस्,  
जसरी हामीले आफ्ना अपराधीहरूलाई क्षमा गरेका छौं।  
हामीलाई परीक्षामा पर्न नदिनुहोस्,  
तर दुष्टबाट छुटाउनुहोस्  
किनभने राज्य, पराक्रम र महिमा  
सदासर्वदा तपाईंकै हुन्, आमेन।'

And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.)

### Apology and Response

Reading of [1986 Apology to Indigenous Peoples](#)

Reading of [1988 Response to Apology](#)

### Singing: Many and Great, O God, Are Your Works VU #308

1. Many and great, O God, are your works,  
Maker of earth and sky.  
Your hands have set the heavens with stars,  
Your fingers spread the mountains and plains.  
Lo, at your word the waters were formed;  
Deep seas obey your voice.

1a. Ka- ti- pe- yi- ci- ket ki- si- pas-  
Ka- mi- kaahk kii- me- kiw.  
O- si- taw mi- na a- ca- ko- sak  
Ma- ni- to o- to- te- naw wii- ya.  
Ciist wii- ya ka- pi- maa- cii- ko- yahk  
E- pe- mi- ci- wa- ki.

2. Grant unto us communion with you,  
O star-abiding one.  
Come unto us and dwell with us,  
With you are found the gifts of life.  
Bless us with life that has no end,  
Eternal life with you.

2a. O- pe- wii ce- wi- naan  
Ma- ni- to is- pi- mihk oh- ci.  
E- ko- si wii- ci- tas- ke- mi- naan.  
Kih- ci me- ki- wi- na maa- ka mii- yi- naan  
Kaa- ki- ke pi- maa- ti- si- win  
E- ko- te is- pi- mik.

### Reflection: The Seven Grandfather Teachings (*written by Deb Anderson Pratt*)

#### Offering:

*The ministry and mission of Knox continues, even when the building is closed. God's love and concern for those who are struggling is shared. You make it possible to carry this message to everyone. If you normally give when you are in worship, we encourage you to continue your regular donations through Canada Helps. The link is here: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/107576134RR0001-knox-united-church/> All donations made will be forwarded to Knox Winnipeg. Or, if you have envelopes, you could put your offering in an envelope each Sunday and bring them with you when we get back to in person worship. Thank you for your generosity in these times of trouble.*

#### Offertory Prayer

**Singing:** "Your Work O God, Needs Many Hands" VU# 537

1. Your work, O God, needs many hands  
to help you everywhere,  
and some there are who cannot serve  
unless our gifts we share.

2. Because we love you and your work,  
our offering now we make:  
be pleased to use it as your own,  
we ask for Jesus' sake.

**Community Prayer**

**Singing:** "We Are Pilgrims on a Journey" VU# 595

1. We are pilgrims on a journey,  
fellow travelers on the road;  
we are here to help each other  
walk the mile and bear the load.

2. Sister, let me be your servant,  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.

3. I will hold the Christ-light for you  
in the night-time of your fear;  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
speak the peace you long to hear.

4. I will weep when you are weeping,  
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;  
I will share your joy and sorrow,  
till we've seen this journey through.

5. When we sing to God in heaven,  
we shall find such harmony,  
born of all we've known together  
of Christ's love and agony.

6. Brother, let me be your servant,  
let me be as Christ to you;  
pray that I may have the grace to  
let you be my servant too.

**Blessing**

**Singing:** Spirit Open my Heart MV #79

*Spirit open my heart to the joy and pain of living  
As you love may I love in receiving and in giving  
Spirit open my heart*

God replace my stony heart with a heart that's kind and tender,  
All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender.

Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story  
In each thought, word and deed, may my living bring you glory.

May I weep with those who weep, share the joy of sister, brother  
In the welcome of Christ, may we welcome one another.

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