

The United Church of Canada  
Conseil régional Nakonha:ka Regional Council  
Lennoxville United Church

July 28, 2019

Order of Worship

10:00 a.m.

**We Gather**

**Welcome and Greeting**

**Grounding Prayer**

**Call to Worship**

Come as those Jesus invites to a life of discipleship.

**We hear Christ's invitation, but we're not sure we're up to the task.**

Come as those equipped by God's grace for love.

**Nous voici, reconnaissants et affermis par son soutien.**

Venez, vous que l'Esprit fortifie et guide.

**Nous voici, rassemblés dans l'ardeur de l'Esprit.**

Venez et adorez, toutes et tous nous sommes disciples de Jésus.

**Hymn: Draw the Circle Wide / Tracons un grand cercle**  
(v. 1 in English, vv. 2&3 en français,) **MV145**

**Gathering Prayer**

**Holy One, blessed giver of all life, with your Spirit in us, we perceive the world differently: we receive more clearly the cries of our neighbours. We notice more astutely our faults and failings. We feel more deeply the empty spaces in our lives that you long to fill. Bless us this day With the Wisdom to trust that these perceptions are your life in us, planted through Christ's life in the world. Bless us this day with the compassion to trust that, as we become more aware of your world, you give us what we need to be your helping presence as we serve you. Bless us this day with the joy of being your church. Amen.**

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**We go into the world to live as baptizers, teachers, friends.**  
Allez, conviez les gens à partager la vision dynamique de l'Esprit.  
**Nous allons dans le monde vivre en prophètes visionnaires.**

**Hymn: Let Us Build a House / Batissons un lieu**  
(vv. 1-3 en français, vv. 4&5 in English) **MV1**

**Final Blessing**

**Postlude:**

**Ushers:** Andrew Brown & Dale Smith

**Counters:** Diane O'Shaughnessey

**Sources of Prayers and Liturgies**

Call to Worship: Gord Dunbar, Gathering Pent 1 2019 (Year C), p.34. Adap: D. Fortin.

Gathering Prayer: Wendy MacLean, Gathering Pent 1 2019 (Year C), p.41

Prayer of Confession: Richard Bott, Gathering Pent 1 2019 (Year C), p.43. Adap: D. Fortin.

Assurance of God's Uncontrolling Love: Allison Abbott-Wiebe, Gathering Pent 1 2019 (Year C), p.45.

Offering: Jim McKean, Gathering Pent 1 2019 (Year C), p.47.

Prayer of Dedication: Laura Turnbull, Gathering Pent 1 2019 (Year C), p.48-9. Adap: D. Fortin.

Commissioning: Gord Dunbar, Gathering Pent1 2017 (Year A), 41]

**This morning's service is available on the  
Lennoxville United Church website under Sermons and Music.**

**A special thank you to**

**Marie-Andrée Binet for her musical talent.**

**Saturday, August 3:** Memorial service for K. (Kevin) Ross Woodard in the Plymouth-Trinity United Church sanctuary, at 2 p.m., followed by interment in the family plot at Elmwood Cemetery, and a small reception and fellowship back at P-T. His sister Dena Chase Woodard notes that "Ross was a private person who was a true gentleman and lived methodically. His presence is greatly missed.

**Prayer of Confession**

Let us pray,

**Holy One, you call us to love, not as a feeling, but as an action. Sometimes, the need of the world is so great that we get stuck. Frozen. Help us, we pray.**

**Réveille nos sens et dirige nos corps, Là ou nous pouvons nous mettre a ton service, en étant au service du prochain, animés par ton amour. Amen.**

**The Lord’s Prayer** (spoken)

**Assurance of God’s Uncontrolling Love**

**To Hear the Word of God**

**Young@Heart:** God’s love is bigger than our boxes

**Hymn: My Love Colours Outside the Lines** MV138

**Teaching on the context and intention of the Gospel According to Luke**

**A Reading from the Gospel according to Luke 10:25-37**

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. **“Teacher,”** he said, **“what must I do to inherit eternal life?”** He said to him, **“What is written in the law? What do you read there?”** He answered, **“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.”** And he said to him, **“You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”** But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, **“And who is my neighbor?”** Jesus replied, **“A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to**

the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” He said, **“The one who showed him mercy.”** Jesus said to him, **“Go and do likewise.”**

Leader: The Living Word for us this day.

**All: We listen with our hearts, our minds, and our spirits.**

Read by Andrew Brown

**Hymn: Friends, Let Us Love Each Other**

**VU488**

**Sermons:** A Story of a Stranger’s Mercy

**And to Respond.**

**Meditation:**

**The Offering:**

**Invitation:**

**Dedication Hymn: “What Can I Do?”**

**MV191**

What can I do? What can I bring?  
What can I say? What can I sing?  
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.  
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

**Prayer of Dedication:**

**God of the journey, you are our constant companion. In times of great delight, you are there. In periods of despair, you are there. Que nos offrandes apportent soutien et espérance pour tous et toutes. Fortifie-nous dans la proclamation de ton chemin d’amour, de repentance et de vie nouvelle. Amen.**

**Community Prayer**

**Hymn: There is Room for All/ Chacun a sa place**

**MV62**

**Commissioning**

Allez, conviez les gens à accueillir l’accolade de Jésus.

**Nous allons dans le monde vivre en disciples de l’amour.**

Go and invite others into the healing power of God’s grace.

## AUGUST 18: MONTREAL PRIDE PARADE

Dear Friends and United Churches of the Conseil régional  
Nakonha:ka Regional Council,

On Sunday, August 18th, the Montreal Pride Parade is being held in downtown Montreal. We are reaching out to invite you and your church community to walk together as a United Church & Regional Council. Our small organizing group is offering to help people of all ages so that individuals and groups can be part of this fun and justice-seeking event! The Parade starts at 2:30 pm. No need to worry if you are at church in the morning; we will wait for you and save you a place in line. The parade route is 3 km. Please contact us to get involved or if you have any questions. We are happy to help and hope to make this an annual event for our Region.

From Charles, Sheri and Aaron

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### **LUC's News for August 2019**

**is available at either entrance of the Sanctuary.**

### **Lennoxville United Church Summer Schedule**

**August 4 – PT – Rev. Samuel**

**August 11 – PT – Rev. Linda**

**August 18 – PT – Rev. Samuel**

**August 25 – PT – Rev. Samuel & Rev. Linda**

**Lennoxville United Church Office will be closed from  
Monday July 29<sup>th</sup> until Wednesday August 28<sup>th</sup>.**

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