

Melville United Church
Sunday, Aug 2, 2015
10th Sunday after Pentecost

** Congregation please stand as you are able.*

Bold print invites congregational response.

Presiding today: Jen Auger



Welcome:

Sharing the Light:

Prelude:

Life & Work of the Church:

Call to Worship:

We gather here,
to know compassion.

We gather here,
to see reason.

We gather here,
to accept our vulnerability.

We gather here,
to share our strength.

We gather here,
to be touched by grace.

We gather here, as your people, open to your touch .
Come touch us now.

***Hymn:** Come Touch Our Hearts

MV 12

Opening Prayer:

Source of Life and Love, you call us to gather in groups small and large. You promise to be in the midst of us, wherever and whenever we come together, as you have since the dawn of time. In our gatherings, we praise you with song and movement, with word and silence.

May all we do remind us of your presence and reveal your love in us.

In our moments of joy and thankfulness,
may this Love be genuine and transforming.

In our moments of vulnerability and fear,
may this Love be genuine and transforming.

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In our moments of ambivalence and tiredness,
may this Love be genuine and transforming.
 In our moments of connectedness and distance,
may this Love be genuine and transforming.

Words of Assurance:

Into our vulnerability, our fear, our apathy and our tiredness, God
 breathes an affirming love that leaves our reasoning and excuses in the
 dust. **Thanks be to God!**

Prayer Response: Know That God is Good MV 104
Know that God is good, know that God is good,
Know that God is good, God is good, God is good.
 (Repeat)

Reading: 2 Samuel 11: 26 - 12: 13 (NRSV)

Reflection: In Community with Dirty Hands

Song of Praise: Create in Me a Clean Heart (Psalm 51)
Create in me a clean heart, oh God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Create in me a clean heart, oh God,
And renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, oh Lord,
And take not Thy holy spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
And renew a right spirit within me.

Create in me a clean heart, oh God,
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Reading: Ephesians 4: 1 - 16 (NRSV)

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Invitation to Offering:

Offering:

***Offering Response:** What Can I Do? MV 191
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.
 (Repeat)

***Offertory Prayer:**

**These gifts are a powerful statement. We want to make a
 difference in our faith community. We want to make a difference in
 our neighborhood. We want to make a difference in our world. Bless
 these our gifts and our intentions God. Let them become practical
 actions of Love. Amen.**

Joys and Concerns:

Prayers of the People:

Prayer of Jesus:

***Hymn:** Let us Talents and Tongues Employ

VU 468

Blessing / Sending Forth:

***Parting Song:** Go Now in Peace

Go now in peace, never be afraid.

God will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith steadfast strong and true.

Know God will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there around, within, above.

Go now in peace, in faith and in love.

Amen. Amen. Amen.

Postlude:

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**Partners in Prayer:** Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fergus

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**Prayer Tree Captain:** Alison Rainford

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