

Melville United Church
Sunday, Aug 9, 2015
11th Sunday after Pentecost

** Congregation please stand as you are able.*

Bold print invites congregational response.

Presiding today: Ruth Cooke



Welcome & Announcements:

Sharing the Light:

Prelude / Centering Time:

Call to Worship:

God made us to dwell in fellowship,

and created us to live in common.

What then keeps us from our neighbour?

Pride and prejudice, and fear of those who differ from us.

Let us turn now to God who draws us together,

who overcomes every obstacle to caring love.

May the Spirit teach us again,

how blessed it is to dwell together in concord.

Let us worship God together.

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, whenever and wherever we come together. We praise you with song and movement, offering joy and thanksgiving. May all we do and are glorify you and reveal your love. And may our love be genuine and transforming. In Christ's holy name we pray. Amen.

***Hymn:** Let Us Build A House

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Prayer of Confession:

Where we have failed to live in your way,

Loving God, forgive us.

Where we have failed to show your way to others,

Loving God, forgive us.

Where we have seen your way as being too costly,

Loving God, forgive us.

Where we have failed to do the right thing in favour of the easy thing,

Loving God, forgive us.

(We confess in silence)

Assurance of Pardon:

New days, new dawns, new beginnings.

Our God offers forgiveness and gives us the chance to begin again.

Thanks be to God for restoring us to the fullness of life!

Amen.

Chorus: 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)

***Hymn:** Open My Eyes, That I May See VU 371

Scripture Reading: Leviticus 21:17-21

Gospel Reading: Luke 6:27-38

Message: "Judgement Day"

***Hymn:** Spirit, Open My Heart MV 79

Offering:

Ministry of Music: Allison Cooke, cello

***Offering Hymn:** 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.

***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 neighbourhood.

We want to make a difference in our world.

Accept these gifts and bless them, O God.

Turn them into practical actions for good. **Amen.**

Prayer Prelude: Spirit of Life VU 381

Spirit of Life, come unto me.

Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion.

Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;

move in the hand, giving life the shape of justice.

Roots hold me close, wings set me free;

Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.

Prayers of the People:**Prayer of Jesus:**

***Hymn:** Go to the World! VU 420

***Blessing & Sending Forth:**

And now may we leave this time and place together:

**grateful, hopeful, anticipating the great thing that God
would do in our lives and in the life of the world.**

May we leave this time and place together:

**eager, excited, and grateful for the opportunities given to
us to share God's love in all the places life calls us to be. Amen.**

***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.

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**Partners in Prayer:** Bethel Mennonite Church

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**Prayer Tree Captain:** Alison Rainford

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