

# CELEBRATION OF WORLD COMMUNION



HYMN - *Give Thanks for Life* (VU 706)

CHOIR BENEDICTION

## *A Clare Benediction*

Words and music by John Rutter

May the Lord show his mercy upon you;  
may the light of his presence be your guide:  
may he guard you and uphold you;  
may his spirit be ever by your side.  
When you sleep, may his angels watch over you;  
when you wake, may he fill you with his grace.  
May you love him and serve him all your days,  
then in heaven may you see his face.

POSTLUDE



**Thank You, LORD!**

*Thank You* to our musicians, Frank Harrison and Doug McCosh, along with our choir for their great gifts of music that add so much to our worship.

# KNOX UNITED CHURCH

October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018

## THANKSGIVING, and WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

**Sharing the Gospel of Jesus with all  
people through worship, service and care.**

As we gather for worship today, we acknowledge that the land on which we gather is Treaty 6 territory, the ancestral land of several Indigenous nations, and part of the homeland of the Metis. We respect the sacredness of our shared home and the ground on which we walk, and we are grateful for its stewardship through the centuries.

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## SINGING THE SPIRIT (MV 130)

Rise up, rise up, rise up O my soul.  
Rise up and sing this blessing to  
God's name.  
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Word and music: Linnea Good, 2003

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

(reflecting Celtic spirituality, from the Iona Community)

The sun rises and it is light;  
night falls and it is dark.

**Bless the One who gives the life.**

Sow the seed and cut the corn;  
bear the child and build the house.

**Bless the One who gives the life.**

Make the wine and bake the bread;  
pour the wine and break the bread.

**Bless the One who gives the life.**

Serve the guest and pay the price;  
cut the wood and pick the flowers.

**Bless the One who gives the life.**

Lay the stone and light the fire;  
cast the net and water the earth.

**Bless the One who gives the life.**

**GATHERING PRAYER**

**HYMN - I was There to Hear Your Borning Cry** (VU 644)

**LIGHTING THE TRINITY CANDLES**

*Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation,  
give us thankful hearts, that we may see:  
all the gifts we share, and ev'ry blessing,  
all things come of thee.*



Look at the earth bringing forth fruit and flower;  
look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain;  
look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains,  
valley and flowing river, field and plain.

Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer  
bringing the harvest before the winter's cold.  
Ev'rything grows, ev'rything has a season,  
till it is gathered to the Father's fold.

Ev'ry good gift, all that we need and cherish  
comes from the Lord in token of his love;  
we are his hands, stewards of all his bounty;  
his is the earth, and his the heavens above.

**REFLECTION****MISSION MESSAGE & OFFERING**

**Music during the Offering:  
Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing**



**HYMN - All Who Hunger** (VU 460)



## BAPTISM

York Paur

son of Lauren MacDonald & Jared Paur

## GREETING GOD'S FAMILY

Children and youth may join  
Sunday School  
in the lower church hall.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HOLY CONVERSATION



We have holy moments of thankfulness, when we encounter God in times of laughter and times of tears. In hopes fulfilled and ones to come, we know our blessedness as people in God's image. With the gift of humanity, we are called into service as followers of Jesus' way.

In faith, may we trust God's care and compassion to love us completely:

- when we hold our gifts too closely to ourselves;
- when we fail to live out our call to welcome all people;

- when we think too much of comfort and too little of service;
- when we are stopped by fear from knowing life's fullness;
- when anger and greed limit our caring;
- when we hold others captive in bonds that have no place in God's world;
- when we fail to love as we are loved.

May we find the vision and the courage to share the holy grace that Jesus proclaims.

Amen.

**HYMN - *For the Fruit of All Creation* (VU 227)**

### WORDS FROM OUR SCRIPTURES



**Hebrew Scriptures Job 1:1, 2:1-10**

Job is tested by the Tempter

**Gospel**

**Mark 10:2-16**

Jesus on marriage and children

### ANTHEM *Look at the World*

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Look at the world, ev'rything all around us;

look at the world, and marvel ev'ry day.

Look at the world; so many joys and wonders.

so many miracles along our way.