

ORDER OF SERVICE

MARCH 10TH, 2024

MUSICAL PRELUDE

BIBLE OPENING

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

(Please stand if able)*

INTROIT VU#108 vs 4

*“Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights”
(the verse will be played through first before we sing)*

We bear the silence, cross and pain
of human burdens, human strife,
while sisters, brothers help sustain
our courage till the Feast of Life.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

LIGHTING OF THE PEACE CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP *(responsive)*

We gather together Seeking Wholeness –

**the seekers, the dreamers, the prayerful
in hopes of seeing God**

We gather together – the curious, the hungry,

**the loving, the lonely,
in hopes of finding peace.**

We gather together – those who are thirsty,

**and those with water to spare, in hopes of
finding justice.**

So come into this sacred space; come, let us worship.

Let us worship God together.

***HYMN** VU #222 *“Come Let Us Sing”*

OPENING PRAYER *(unison)*

God of glory and wonder, we praise your holy name. We hear your call to be messengers of hope and promise. You have given us good news to share with the afflicted. Empower us to stand with the broken-hearted, the captives, the imprisoned, those who mourn. May this time of worship strengthen and sustain us that we might live out your way of goodness and righteousness. In the name of Christ, we pray. Amen.

PRAYER OF REFLECTION

PRAYER OF ASSURANCE *(responsive)*

No matter where we are, or what we have done, God is ready to accept us for who we are and encourage us to begin again. Receive the love of God with joy.

Thanks be to God the peace-giver, the hope-bringer, the light-bearer. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

WE HEAR THE WORD

WORD FOR ALL AGES

“Nursery Rhymes and Riddles?”

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Hebrew Lesson Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 63 (p 781 Voices United)

Epistle Lesson Romans 5: 12-19

***RESPONSIVE HYMN** VU#626

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus”

REFLECTION *“Because of One”*

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

OFFERING INVITATION

We have a “Giving Station”
at each Entrance and one plate that will
remain at the back entrance throughout the service.

***Please Stand for the Offering Hymn while the
Offering is brought forward**

OFFERTORY REFRAIN VU#603

“In Loving Partnership” vs 1
In loving partnership we come,
seeking, O God, your will to do.
Our prayers and actions now receive,
we freely offer them to you.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** *(unison)*
**O God, you loved this world so much that you sent
your own son to teach us how to truly live and love
the world as you do. As followers of Jesus, we
pray that the gifts we offer, will help the world
which you so love in ways that proclaim your
compassion and goodness and care. Amen**

PASTORAL PRAYER

The Lord’s Prayer..... Amen

*HYMN VU # 79 “Arise, Your Light Is Come”

(please remain standing)

*COMMISSIONING/BENEDICTION

* SONG BLESSING VU 117

“Jesus Christ is Waiting” (vs 5)

Jesus Christ is calling, calling in the streets,

“Who will join my journey? I will guide their feet.”

Listen, Lord Jesus, let my fears be few.

Walk one step before me; I will follow you.

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Please remain standing until the Bible is closed.

POSTLUDE

Reminder of our Lenten Coin Challenge

PRAY TODAY, *thanking God for how you can enjoy entertainment in your home. Pray for those who would be grateful for just one of these items.*

Welcome to Rev. Jill Rogers today and through the next week. Rev. Jill will provide Pulpit Supply and Emergency Pastoral Care while Pastor Roxanne is on Learning Circle.

Should you have an urgent need for Pastoral Care, please contact Barb Jackson at 519-331-9900

UCW Meeting, Thursday, March 14 @ 1:30pm
Please note change of day and time

We continue to collect non-perishable food items for our local Food Banks – containers at each entrance.

REMINDER – If you have missed a sermon, wish to hear the sermon again, or have family/friends who may wish to listen to the sermon, simply call
519-344-3271

Extra Cards on the back table.

St Andrew’s Presbyterian Church
LUNCHTIME – Organ Concert Series
Thursdays during Lent - Noon – 12:45
261 Christina Street N - More Info on Bulletin Board

These short stories make us think twice about the daily happenings in our lives as we deal with others!!

Today, in the cutest voice, my 8-year-old daughter asked me to start recycling. I chuckled and asked, “Why?” She replied, “So you can help me save the planet.” I chuckled again and asked, “And why do you want to save the planet?” Because that’s where I keep all my stuff,” she said.

Today, when I witnessed a 27-year-old breast cancer patient laughing hysterically at her 2-year-old daughter’s antics, I suddenly realized that, I need to stop complaining about my life and start celebrating it again.

To be continued....

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“Be with us: Celebrate GOD”

LONDON ROAD WEST UNITED CHURCH

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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**WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE
THIS MORNING**

