



LEADING IN WORSHIP this morning are **The Rev. Jason Meyers** and **Dr. Linn Holness**. The ministry of music is offered by the Wayne C. Vance Organ Scholar **Michael Oldaker** and soloists **James Nixon** and **Charles Davidson**. Summer soloists are available thanks to the Wayne C. Vance Music Fund.

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### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

**Monday, July 15**

**10:00 a.m.** Art Program

Metropolitan Centre

**Friday, July 19**

**10:00 a.m.** Art Program

Metropolitan Centre

**NEXT SUNDAY: July 21 - Attention**

**11:00 a.m.** Morning Service in the Sanctuary  
 "The Spiritual Practice of Attention" The Rev. Jason Meyers  
 Michael Oldaker, Wayne C. Vance Organ Scholar



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We are an Affirming Congregation, offering welcome and companionship to all, regardless of orientation or designation.

For thousands of years, this land has been the traditional home of the Huron-Wendat, the Seneca, and most recently, the Mississaugas of the Credit River. It is still home to Indigenous people from across Turtle Island. We are grateful to work, live and worship on this land.

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### Sunday, July 14, 2019 - Being Neighbour

**CARILLON PRELUDE (10:30 a.m. outside, ending with)**  
 Canon in D, by Johann Pachelbel, arranged by E. Nassor  
 Guest Carillonner: Dr Minako Uchino (Ottawa)

**ORGAN PRELUDE AND CANDLE LIGHTING**  
*Praeludium in D Major*  
*Herr Gott, dich loben alle wir*  
*Prelude on Westminster Abbey*  
**SOLO Jerusalem** Jim Nixon, tenor

*Dieterich Buxtehude*  
*Johann Pachelbel*  
*Andrew Grant*

**OPENING HYMN: #686** *God of Grace and God of Glory*

Rhuddlan

**INVITATION TO WORSHIP**  
 One: God be with you.  
**All: And also with you.**  
 One: Let us pray. (all seated)

**PRAYER OF APPROACH AND CONFESSION**

**SILENCE FOR PRIVATE PRAYER**

**KYRIE ELEISON (All) #69 More Voices** *Kyrie eleison (God have mercy)*

Kervin

*(indicates a congregational response - please stand in spirit or in fact)*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### ACT OF PRAISE (All) #104 *More Voices*

Trad., Congo

Mungu, ni mwema, mungu ni mwema, mungu ni mwema, ni mwema, ni mwema.  
Know that God is good, Know that God is good,  
Know that God is good, God is good, God is good.

READINGS Amos 7:7-17, Colossians 1:1-14

RESPONSE #381 *Spirit of Life* (please remain seated) Spirit of Life

GOSPEL READING Luke 10:25-37

One: This is the witness of the good news of Jesus Christ.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN #600 *When I Needed a Neighbour* Neighbour

SERMON “The Spiritual Practice of Being Neighbour” The Rev. Jason Meyers

### PEACE GREETING

One: The peace of Christ be with you always.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**We are not alone, we live in God's world.**

**We believe in God:**

who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the Church:**

to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation,  
to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

**We are not alone. Thanks be to God.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OUR COMMON LIFE

### OFFERING OF OUR LIFE AND WORK

OFFERTORY MUSIC *Is Someone Out There?* from *In The Beginning* Maury Yeston  
Charles Davidson, tenor

THE OFFERTORY HYMN #518, verse 3 Forest Green

With gratitude and humble trust we bring our best to you,  
Not just to serve your cause, but share your love with neighbours too.  
O God, who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ, your son,  
Help us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.

## GREAT THANKSGIVING

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord God.

All: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

One: Let us pray. (all seated)

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER (all) (*Voices United*, p. 921)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth, as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread,**

**And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

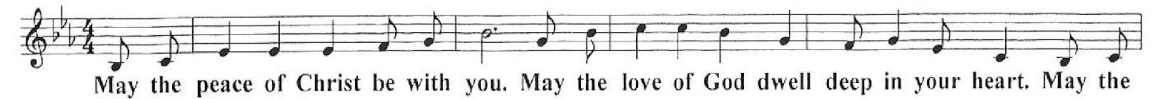
**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:**

**For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN #678 *For the Healing of the Nations* Westminster Abbey

## COMMISSIONING

BLESSING (All-please sing twice and please turn toward the centre) Izumi Shiota



## ORGAN POSTLUDE AND CANDLE EXTINGUISHING

*Praeludium in G Minor*

Nicolaus Bruhns

### Taking the practice home:

- Take time to consider what it actually means to love your neighbour as yourself. What steps can you take to live into this?
- Go somewhere new (church service, club meeting, etc) and note how people made you feel welcomed and/or excluded
- Practise a “random act of kindness” for someone you don’t know (or don’t know well)

For anyone wishing to discuss these practices, we will gather in the Founders’ Chapel next Sunday at 10:00 a.m.