

Welcome to Grace United Church

May 27, 2018 – Canadian Food Grains Bank Sunday

Bold printed text indicates congregational responses.

VU = Voices United Hymnbook

MV = More Voices Hymnbook

Reader: Bob Blackmore

Guest Speakers: Ray & Anita Dykstra

Ushers: Sandra Schreinert & Lynne Heffernan

CENTRING

PRELUDE

“Room at the Table”

video

INTROIT

“God of All the World”

MV #22

SHARING COMMUNITY

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to worship the one who made the world out of chaos.

We join in praising the beauty of the universe.

We gather to lift our praise to the God who gives us life.

We bring the dreams that have echoed in our hearts all week long.

We gather as children of God, our joy unbroken in God’s love.

Young and old, we lift our new songs of faith. Amen

INVOCATION PRAYER *in unison*

Creator God, thank you for all the earth and all the wonderful things you have made on it. Thank you for the highest mountains and the deepest seas. Thank you for the deserts and the forest. Thank you especially for the land where food is grown. Bless the land and all the people who grow the food so we can all eat. Comfort and help those who do not have land and do not have enough to eat. Remind us all to share generously, so everyone can have enough to eat. Amen

HYMN

“Come Touch Our Hearts”

MV #12

TIME WITH THE YOUNG

GIFT OF MUSIC

“God Who is Life”

Murray/Klusmeier

REFLECTING

MINUTE FOR MISSION

“A Sweet Program of Empowerment”

video

SCRIPTURE

Mark 8: 1-9

HYMN

“O for a World”

VU #697

Please use the hymnbooks provided in the pews to join in the singing.

MESSAGE

Food Study Tour to Ethiopia

Ray & Anita Dykstra

RESPONDING

SHARING OUR GIFTS

Envelopes for your special donation to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank were enclosed with last week's bulletin. If you missed last week's service, please find a CFGB envelope available at the sanctuary entrance.

SUNG RESPONSE "What Can I Do?"

MV #191

OFFERTORY PRAYER

We bless you god of all creation. It is through your goodness that we have these gifts to share. Receive our offerings. Use them to help the needy in our world. Amen

CLOSING HYMN "Go Forth for God"

VU #418

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BLESSING "Sent Out in Jesus' Name"

MV #212

POSTLUDE