

**Sunday, August 7, 2022**

**Ordinary Time**

The entire worship service will also be streamed live starting at 9:30am at <http://www.firsthamilton.ca/live>

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**WORSHIP SERVICE      9:30 am**

\*Please rise in body or spirit

*Prelude: Hymnal #825 Beneath the Cross*

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**GOD GATHERS US**

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship: 2 Corinthians 8:1-4

Leader: We want you to know, brothers and sisters, about the grace of God

that has been granted to the churches of Macedonia; for during a severe ordeal of affliction, their abundant joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For, as I can testify, they voluntarily gave according to their means, and even beyond their means, begging us earnestly for the privilege of sharing in this ministry to the saints.

**All: Generosity is the quality of being kind, plentiful, abundant, lavish, not selfish, willing to share, generous in spirit.**

Leader: Come now to worship the God

who is the very definition of generosity,  
and who calls each of us to be generous as well.

\* **Song: Hymnal #593 Lord Most High**

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\* **Greetings**

The peace of Christ be with you.  
And also with you.

\* **Song: Hymnal #624 Not What My Hands Have Done**

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## **GOD RENEWS US**

### Prayer of Confession

Leader: God, we live in a culture of abundance,

We have more of everything than we really need and still we believe that we need more and more of everything in order to be happy.

**All: Forgive us for our selfishness, our gluttony of things, and our wastefulness.**

**Forgive us for claiming to be your church in the world, but failing to share what we have with the world.**

Leader: Lord God, you have given us all that we need, and yet we desire more.

**All: Forgive us for failing to recognize that all that we have is yours and has been given to us to share with others. Forgive us for not finding the fullness of joy and happiness in you.**

Leader: You are the God of generosity.

You gave all of yourself through Christ Jesus so that we could have life.

**All: Forgive us for not following your example.**

**Continue to call us to a life of generosity.**

**Show us daily how we may meet the needs of others and be good stewards of all that you have given.**

Leader: We confess that such generosity is difficult for us because it runs counter to our culture of abundance. But it is your heart and your command that we love you with all that we have.

**All: Transform us through your Spirit so that we love our neighbors and care for them even as we love and care for ourselves. Transform us so that our first instinct is to share with others what has been so freely given to us. Amen.**

(Adapted from Baylor University Worship Service <https://www.baylor.edu/content/services/document.php/253567.pdf>)

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort: *The Worship Sourcebook 2nd Edition 2.4.1 p. 115*

Leader: Hear the good news!

There is no condemnation

for those who are in Christ Jesus.

For the law of the Spirit

of life in Christ Jesus

has set you free from the law of sin and death.

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

The old life has gone;

a new life has begun.

Know that in Jesus,

God embraces you, forgives you,

and strengthens you to live a renewed life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

—based on Romans 8:1; 2 Corinthians 5:17

**Song: Hymnal #568 I Will Sing of My Redeemer**

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*Children enter Children's Worship*

Children:                   The Lord be with you

Youth & Adults:           And also with you

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession | Justin Colyn

## **GOD SPEAKS WITH US**

Scripture Reading: Acts 4: 32-35 (Pew Bible page 1697)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

*Message: Generous with each other*

Prayer

\* **Song: Hymnal #746 Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God**

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## **GOD NOURISHES US**

### **The Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

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

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**People: It is right for us to give thanks and praise.**

Pastor: With joy we praise you, gracious Father,  
for you have created heaven and earth,  
made us in your image, and kept covenant with us—  
even when we fell into sin.

We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord,  
and for the pouring forth of your Holy Spirit,  
who equips us for service and leads us into your truth.

Therefore we join our voices  
with all the saints and angels and the whole creation  
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

### **The Institution**

Pastor: We give thanks to God the Father that our Savior, Jesus Christ, before he suffered, gave us this memorial of his sacrifice, until he comes again. At his last supper, the Lord Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, he took the cup after supper and said, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this in remembrance of me."

**People: For whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

### **The Prayer of Consecration**

Lord, our God, send your Holy Spirit so that this bread and cup may be for us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. May we and all your saints be united with Christ and remain faithful in hope and love. Gather your whole church, O Lord, into the glory of your kingdom.

*Communion Music: Hymnal #840 Behold the Lamb*

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### **The Communion**

Take, eat! Remember and believe that the body of Christ is the bread of heaven for us.

Take, drink! Remember and believe that the blood of Christ is the cup of our salvation.

## **The Thanksgiving**

Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the sacrament of his body and blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart.  
Through Christ, our Lord, Amen.

## **GOD RECEIVES OUR OFFERINGS**

Offering: First Offering: Ministries of First Hamilton CRC  
Second Offering: Beginnings Family Services

Offertory Prayer

*Offertory Music: Hymnal #559 Ten Thousand Reasons*

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **GOD SENDS US**

\* Blessing

\* **Song: Hymnal #908 Christ, Be Our Light**

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*Postlude: Hymnal #695 And Can It Be*

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## Beneath the Cross

C7 F Gm7 B<sup>b</sup>6 Gm7 F/C Dm7

1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus, I find a place to  
 2 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus, his fam - ily is my  
 3 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus, the path be - fore the

Gm7 C7 F Gm7 B<sup>b</sup>6 Gm7

stand, and won - der at such mer - cy that  
 own. Once strang - ers chas - ing self - ish dreams, now  
 crown, we fol - low in his foot - steps where

F/C Csus C F B<sup>b</sup> C9/B<sup>b</sup>

calls me as I am. For hands that should dis -  
 one through grace a - lone. How could I now dis -  
 prom - ised hope is found. How great the joy be -

Am7 Dm7 B<sup>b</sup> Gm7 Csus C

card me hold wounds which tell me, "Come."  
 hon - or the ones that you have loved?  
 fore us to be his per - fect bride.

F Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> Gm7

Be - neath the cross of Je - sus, my un -  
 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus, see the  
 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus, we will

F C7sus C7 F *Fine last time* *To stanzas* C/B<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup>/C

wor - thy soul is won.  
 chil - dren called by God.  
 glad - ly live our lives.

## Lord Most High

Musical notation for the first system, featuring a treble and bass clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 6/8 time signature. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. Chords E and Esus are indicated above the staff.

From the ends of the earth, *From the ends of the earth,* from the  
 (From the) hearts of the weak, *From the hearts of the weak,* from the

Musical notation for the second system, continuing the melody and bass line. Chords Bsus and B are indicated above the staff.

depths of the sea, *from the depths of the sea,* from the  
 shouts of the strong, *from the shouts of the strong,* from the

Musical notation for the third system, continuing the melody and bass line. Chord C#m is indicated above the staff.

heights of the heav - ens *from the heights of the heav - ens* your  
 lips of all peo - ple *from the lips of all peo - ple* this

Musical notation for the fourth system, including first and second endings. Chords A, E, Bsus, and B are indicated above the staff.

name be praised. From the song we raise, Lord.

E A B E

7 Through-out the end-less ag - es you will be  
Ex - alt - ed in ev - ery na - tion, sov - ereign of

A B C#m A 1 Bsus B

crowned with prais - es, Lord Most High.  
all cre - a - tion, Lord Most

2 Bsus E/B A E A E

High, be mag - ni-fied, be mag - ni-fied,

A E B D.S. E Fine

(\*From the)

\*To be played only if returning to beginning.



## Not What My Hands Have Done

D G Em7/G E7/G# A

1 Not what my hands have done can save my guilt - y soul;  
 2 Your voice a - lone, O Lord, can speak to me of grace;  
 3 I praise the Christ of God; I rest on love di - vine;

D A/C# Bm G (♩) D/A A7 D

not what my toil - ing flesh has borne can make my spir - it whole.  
 your power a - lone, O Son of God, can all my sin e - rase.  
 and with un - fal - tering lip and heart I call this Sav - ior mine.

G D Bm F#m

Not what I feel or do can give me peace with God;  
 No oth - er work but yours, no oth - er blood will do;  
 My Lord has saved my life and free - ly par - don gives;

D F# G Em D/A A7 D

not all my prayers and sighs and tears can bear my aw - ful load.  
 no strength but that which is di - vine can bear me safe - ly through.  
 I love be - cause he first loved me, I live be - cause he lives.

## I Will Sing of My Redeemer

1 I will sing of my Re-deem-er and his won - drous love to me;  
 2 I will tell the won-drous sto - ry, how my lost - es - tate to save,  
 3 I will praise my dear Re-deem-er, his tri - umph-ant power I'll tell,  
 4 I will sing of my Re-deem-er and his heaven-ly love to me;

on the cru - el cross he suf - fered, from the curse to set me free.  
 in his bound-less love and mer - cy he the ran - som free - ly gave.  
 how the vic - to - ry he give - th o - ver sin and death and hell.  
 he from death to life has brought me, Son of God, with him to be.

*Refrain*  
 Sing, oh, sing of my Re-deem - er, with his  
 Sing, oh, sing of my Re-deem - er, sing, oh, sing of my Re-deem-er, with his

blood he pur - chased me;  
 blood he pur - chased me, with his blood he pur - chased me;

A♭ D♭ A♭

on the cross he sealed my par - don, paid the  
on the cross he sealed my par-don, on the cross he sealed my par-don, paid the

A♭/E♭ E♭7 A♭

debt, and made me free.  
debt, and made me free, and made me free, and made me free.

## Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God

1 Ho - ly Spir - it, liv - ing Breath of God, breathe new  
 2 Ho - ly Spir - it, come a - bide with - in, may your  
 3 Ho - ly Spir - it, from cre - a - tion's birth, giv - ing

life in - to my will - ing soul.  
 joy be seen in all I do.  
 life to all that God has made,

Bring the pres - ence of the ris - en Lord to re -  
 Love e - nough to cov - er ev - ery sin, in each  
 show your pow - er once a - gain on earth, cause your

new my heart and make me whole.  
 thought and deed and at - ti - tude.  
 church to hun - ger for your ways.

A<sup>b</sup>
E<sup>b</sup>2/G
A<sup>b</sup>
B<sup>b</sup>7sus
B<sup>b</sup>7

Cause your Word to come a - live in me;  
 Kind - ness to the great - est and the least,  
 Let the fra - grance of our prayers a - rise;

A<sup>b</sup>maj7
E<sup>b</sup>2
Fm7
B<sup>b</sup>7susB<sup>b</sup>7
A<sup>b</sup>

give me faith for what I can - not see; give me pas - sion for your  
 gen - tle - ness that sows the path of peace. Turn my striv - ing in - to  
 lead us on the road of sa - cri - fice, that in u - ni - ty the

E<sup>b</sup>
B<sup>b</sup>
A<sup>b</sup>
A<sup>b</sup>2/C

pur - i - ty; Ho - ly Spir - it, breathe new life in  
 works of grace; Breath of God, show Christ in all I  
 face of Christ may be clear for all the world to

E<sup>b</sup>2
A<sup>b</sup>maj9
E<sup>b</sup>2 Final ending

me.  
 do.  
 see.

## Christ, Be Our Light

Em Am7 D Esus Em

1 Long - ing for light, — we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for  
 2 Long - ing for peace, — our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for  
 3 Long - ing for food, — ma - ny are hun - gry. Long - ing for  
 4 Long - ing for shel - ter, ma - ny are home - less. Long - ing for  
 5 Ma - ny the gifts, — ma - ny the peo - ple, ma - ny the

Am7 Bm7 Esus Em7/D Am7

truth, — we turn to you. Make us your own, —  
 hope, — man - y de - spair. Your Word a - lone —  
 > wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread, —  
 warmth, — ma - ny are cold. Make us your build - ing,  
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants

D G C Am Dsus D

your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.  
 has power to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.  
 > bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.  
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.  
 to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.

Refrain G C G Em Bm

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.

Em Am7 D G Dsus D Em

Shine through the dark - ness. Christ, be our light!

Em7/D C Am7 D G Am7 1-4 G 5 G

Shine in your church gath-ered to - day.

*Optional prayer litany*

Let us pray in spoken and sung word.

Light of the World . . . *Sing stanzas 1-2*

We pray for all peacemakers . . . *Sing stanza 3*

We pray for all who provide food and water . . . *Sing stanza 4*

We pray for all who provide shelter . . . *Sing stanza 5*

Lord Jesus Christ, sun of righteousness,  
in a world that so often seems cold and heartless,  
your grace breaks in with warmth and light.

**How grateful we are for the privilege of your call  
to us to reflect this warmth and light as mirrors of your grace.  
May we reflect this light so that many will see it  
and bring praise to you, the true light of the world. Amen.**