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Bulletins today are in loving memory of
John Woodworth, October 11, 2018
Desmond Baglole, October 10, 1988
Always loved and remembered by Pam, Paul, Christopher & Charla Baglole

MUSICAL PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Christ, the light in the world;
Christ, the light in our homes;
Christ, the light in our hearts;
Christ, the Light.

(The Christ candle is lit.)

♪ 'Open Our Hearts' MV 21

Open our hearts,
Open our minds,
Open our lives to you
O loving God.

Open our hearts,
Open our minds,
Open our lives to you
O loving God.
Open our hearts.

CALL ALL TO WORSHIP* (*in unison*)

**Come with an open mind to witness a new perspective.
Come with a heart full of praise for our loving God.
Stay for words of thanksgiving and great hope.
Stay to hear words that remind us that we are not alone.
Leave rejoicing in the Good News.
Leave knowing the grace of God is with you. Amen.**

PRAYER OF APPROACH & THE LORD'S PRAYER* (*in unison*)

Loving God, in this time of thanksgiving encourage us to pause and listen to the needs of all creation. Help us to discern and to respond out of a place of love. Aid us, encourage us, and remind us to come to You in prayer. In the name of Jesus, we pray all these things. Amen.

Together we pray saying the words that Jesus taught us saying:

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.

TIME FOR ALL AGES

♫ MV 3 – 'River' vs 1 & 2

River, rush-a-down to the ocean blue,
River from a mountain high.
River, as you do what rivers do,
River, draw the Spirit nigh.

Spirit, come-a-down to the riverside,
Spirit, spark of wondrous thought.
Spirit, I am free for you to guide,

Spirit, pray that I be taught!

SCRIPTURE READING

LUKE 17:11-19

Jesus Cleanses Ten Lepers

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

SERMON

PASTORAL PRAYER * (*in unison*)

Creator God, help us to share in our thanksgivings. To make room at the table. To listen. To grow in wisdom. To journey with another. Aid us in being a helpful part of creation knowing that we are called to be good stewards. In this season of harvest remind us to live into our abundance and joyfully share what we have.

Holy God, we ask for guidance. We ask for strength. We are reminded through guidance and strength we are to take time to rest. Within the changing of seasons help us to see we are in the presence of great beauty. Within the changing of seasons help us to see your light into the world. Within the changing of seasons help us to reclaim, recharge, and reinvent.

Gracious God, we pause now to lift-up the burdens we have on our hearts. We pray for those on our hearts who are ill, who are in mourning, and who are dealing with great struggles. Today we pray for loving responses. Today we pray for pause and witness. Let us take this time to pause in silent prayer and offer them to you... In the silence you are there. In the noise you are there. In the pause you are there. In the busyness you are there. As we move

forward into this new week we pray for witness and revelation. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

♫ VU232 - 'Joyful, Joyful We Adore You' (vs 1 & 3)

Joyful, joyful we adore you,
God of glory, life and love;
hearts unfold like flowers before you,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the gloom of doubt away;
giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

You are giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
wellspring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Source of grace and fount of blessing,
let your light upon us shine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

The God of Aaron, Moses and Joshua is also our God. At different times, in different places, God calls forth a blessing from all of us. At this moment God calls on you and me. With our PAR, our monetary donations, our time and our talents, we respond, "Here I am, Lord, send me!"

♫ VU 603 – 'In Loving Partnership We Come' (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.

Offertory Prayer ***

Gracious God, you are the source of all good things, of life itself and all that sustains it. Bless the gifts we offer to you and multiply them, so that they will support your purposes in the world you love in Jesus name. Amen.

BENEDICTION***

May the peace of God be your peace.

May the love of God be the love you show.

May the joy of God be the joy you know,

and may the world that God would see be found in you.

POSTLUDE

**Rev. Rachel Campbell, Trinity United Church, Summerside. PE.*

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