

**God is
nowhere**

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Meditation: GODISNOWHERE

Welcome: to Britannia United Church. Our **nursery** is always available to children three years of age and younger. It is at the end of the hall by the office. **Headsets** are available for those who need assisted hearing. Please speak to our sound technician. Please join in the reading if it is **bold** and *italic*. Coffee and Tea are available at the back of the church, after the service.

We Gather in God's Name

Introit: Spirit of Life (381)

Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship:

"If you love me" Jesus says.

We show that we do by loving.

"If you love me" Jesus says.

We show that we do by sharing.

"If you love me" Jesus says.

We show that we do by serving.

"If you love me" Jesus says.

We show that we do by worshipping.

So let us worship God.

Hymn: Love Divine (333)

Opening Prayer:

We admit, Knowing God,
that from plastic cards to websites,
from handheld devices to stock options,
we are surrounded by a variety of gods
who demand our worship.

We can all too easily believe
that work is our life,
that wealth is the reason for our being,

and that success is the very air we breathe.

Forgive us, God of mercy.

You are not found in a computer chip,
but in the child who holds our hand.

You are not a simple tweet,
but the Word that can transform our very lives.

You are not a disembodied,
constantly recalculating voice,
***but the One who calls us to life,
through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour.***

Assurance of Pardon:

Despite everything we do, God loves us.
***This grace is why we can dare to hope.
We will witness to this hope
in every word we speak
to every person we meet.
Thanks be to God,
we are forgiven. Amen.***

Anthem

Theme Presentation

Minute for Mission Wendy Gallant

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Reading: John 14:15-21 (NT, pg 109, Minni Ang)

Message: Our God is Known - Acts 17:22-31

* **Hymn:** If You Will Trust in God to Guide You (286)

We Respond to God

Prayers of Joy and Concern and The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

* **Doxology:** (538)

For the gift of creation, the gift of your love,

and the gift of the Spirit by which we live,
we thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.
May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.

* **Offertory Prayer:**

Three times, Jesus asked,
“Do you love me?”

Three times, Peter responded,
“Yes, Lord, you know I love you.”

And three times, Jesus said,
“Feed my Sheep.”

***In our offering, precious Lord,
my you see our loving, our sharing,
our serving and our worship. Amen***

* **Hymn:** I Love to Tell the Story (343)

* **Commissioning and Benediction:**

***As you walk from here,
may your eyes be open
to the presence of God in our midst,
may your hearts be open
to the love of Christ by your side,
and may your lives be open
to the movement and path of the Spirit.
May we all be open
to the God who knows us,
and is known to us. Amen***

* **Sung Response:** (575, verses 1 and 4)

I'm gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna sing so...

Postlude