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Sunday Worship

10:15 am

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Meditation: “If everyone helps to hold up the sky, then one person does not become tired.” Askhari Johnson Hodari

Welcome: to Britannia United Church. **Headsets** are available for those who need assisted hearing (speak to our sound technician). Please join in with the **bold and italic** print. **Coffee and Tea** are available at the back of the church, after the service. Please stand when (*) appears.

We Gather in God’s Name

Introit: Come In and Sit Down (395)

Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship:

We are many,
but as we gather, we become one:

***one congregation,
one community,
one church family,
worshipping one God,
who is worshipped in many different ways.***

And so, in our worship, we are one,
but still connected to many:

***one world,
one human race,
one family of creation,
worshipping the God of all.***

Hymn: We Are One (402, verses 1-3)

Theme Presentation

Music Offering XXX

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Reading: Acts 2:42-47 (NT, pg. 120) (Dee Vance)

Message: The Sacrament of Communion

Hymn: Here, O My Lord (459, verses 1-3)

Communion

Valerie Baldwin, Lana Czelenski,
Maggie Taylor & Dee McEwen

God be with you all.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts;

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God!

It is right to give God our thanks and praise!

As we gather for communion,

we celebrate your presence in creation, God.

For you created the heavens, earth, and all that is in them:

you cast sunbeams, open flowers, and feed insects.

You are beyond the galaxies, under the oceans,
and inside each grain of wheat.

You could sustain all of your creation,

but you call us to care for the earth.

Thank-you for the wonders of creation
and for your great trust in us.

Sung Response: Santo, Santo, Santo (951)

As we share the bread and cup,

we acknowledge your presence in one another.

For you smiled on an outcasted Hagar,
blessing her descendants,

you guided the doubtful Israelites, leading them to freedom,
you spoke through the Judges and the Prophets,
providing words of wisdom,
you lived among us as a teacher, healer, and friend,
giving us a sacred path to follow.

You could have made us self-sustaining,

but you call us to care for one another.

Thank you for the worldwide fellowship of disciples,
who faithfully attempt to share your love with all of creation.

Sung Response: There Is Room For All (62)

***There is room for all in the shadow of God's wing;
there is room for all, sheltered in God's love.***

And I rejoice and sing,

"My refuge and my rock, in whom I trust."

There is room for all, there is room for all!

Repeat

In Jesus, love incarnate,
you provide us all we need for each day:
his words comfort the weary;
his actions challenge the contented;
his touch heals the sick;
his presence feeds the deepest hunger in our souls.
In Jesus and in his feast
we recognize that we are not alone.

The bread of life,

nourishes our weary bodies.

The cup of blessings,

revives our thirsty souls.

The gathered community,

strengthens our growing faith.

Sung Response: Hallelujah, Give Thanks (179, vs 1 and 4)

As we celebrate the sacrament of communion,
we celebrate our place in the family of creation.

For centuries, Christians of different customs have gathered

to commune with you and each other
through the sharing of this feast.

***You have been with them in the celebration,
just as you are with us now.***

And so we join with our siblings around the world
by remembering that on the night in which Jesus was betrayed,
he took bread, blessed it, broke it,
and shared it with his disciples, saying:
“Take eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

After supper, Jesus took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
“This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

God, we remember and give thanks for your Son,
and we ask that you bless and pour your spirit
on our gathering and on our communion:

***Make this broken bread whole in our receiving.
Make this full cup overflow in our sharing.***

With these elements, nourish and sustain us,
our Way, our Truth, our Life;
our Creator, our Redemer, our Sustainer.
Praise be to you, now, tomorrow, and forever.

Sung Response: Threefold Amen (967)

Distribution of the Elements Communion Prayer

Hymn: Here, O My Lord (459, verses 4-5)

We Respond to God

Prayers of Joy and Concern and The Lord’s Prayer

Offertory

* **Doxology**: (541)

* **Offertory Prayer**:

As we offer our gifts to you, O God,
may they become, a sort of communion;
***a blessing in giving and receiving,
a reflection of your love and presence in the world.
Amen***

* **Hymn**: One Bread, One Body (467)

* **Benediction**:

We came as one, and not really one,
separate, and yet not really separate,
and in God's presence we recognized
our interdependence,
our belonging.

***So let us go into the world,
as church, as family,
as people of God,
to love and be loved
In the great communion
of heart, mind and Spirit. Amen***

* **Sung Response**: (402, verse 4)

Postlude
