

The Church at Worship

* Invitation to stand or join as you are able * Congregational responses **BOLDED**

Prelude *The Heavens are Telling*, by Haydn, arr. Daniel Kelley



Welcome/Life of the Fellowship

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Introit *With Shouts of Joy*, arr. Emily Brink

Together, We Come to God

Call to Worship

Almighty God, from the beginning of time to the end of eternity,
you have chosen to use your power and majesty
to love us, to redeem us, to shape us as your people.
We worship you Jesus, Son of Man and Son of God,
For establishing the Kingdom of God among us,
Giving us hope for what is yet to be.

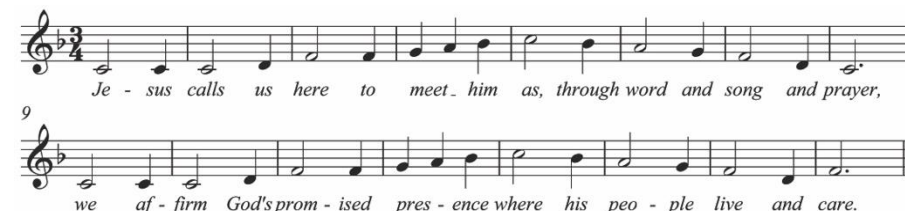
***Opening Hymn #486** *The church of Christ, in every age*
Tune: Wareham

***Opening Prayer**

God of love and light,
give us a vision of our world as Your love would make it:
a world where the weak are protected and none go hungry or poor;
a world where the benefits of civilized life are shared,
and everyone can enjoy them;
a world where different races, nations and cultures live in tolerance
and mutual respect,
a world where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by
love;
and give us the inspiration and courage to do our part to build it,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

~ Geoffrey Brown and John Pridmore, St Martin-in-the-Fields' Prayer for the World. Posted at <https://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/worship>

* **Sung Response**



God Speaks to Us

Scripture Readings **Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24**
Psalm 100

Musical Reflection *Thy Kingdom Come*, by Mark Sirett

Scripture Reading, Epistle **Ephesians 1:15-23**

Children's Time *Who Wants to be a Billionaire?*

Bible Quest invitation #496

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path (x2)

Gospel Reading Matthew 25:31-46

Sermon *The Kingdom that is/coming* Rev. Garry Blinch

We Respond to God

***Hymn of Response #710** *What does the Lord require*

***Hymn of Dedication #661**

We give thee but thine own, what e'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee

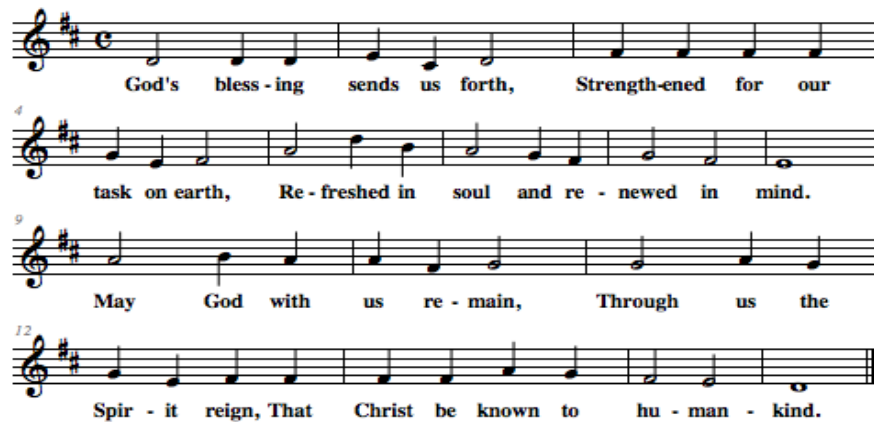
Blessing the Offering

Pastoral Prayer

* **Closing Hymn #110** *Come, thou long-expected Jesus*

* **Benediction**

Sung Blessing



Postlude *Gigue, from Orchestral Suite No. 3 in D, JS Bach*

NOTES

THANK YOU to all the people who offer, freely, their time and talent without whom today's worship service would not be possible.

Go into the world with God's
blessing and peace in your heart

When you feel called to support your ministry as a volunteer, contact Susan St. John at ssjohn.macneill@gmail.com or 905-512-9897

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MacNeill Baptist Church acknowledges the traditional territory upon which we gather as a community of faith, that territory of the Anishinaabe and the Haudenosaunee peoples. We seek a new relationship with the Original Peoples of this land, one based in peace, friendship, and respect. Acknowledging territory is a beginning and not an ending in terms of our work towards truth and reconciliation. We hope that this acknowledgement will be a springboard towards a deeper relationship with all Indigenous peoples we meet.

