The Church at Worship

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

Prelude Nun danket Alle Gott Welcome/Life of the Fellowship JS Bach/E. Power Biggs



Lighting of the Christ Candle

Introit Be Still and Know John Bell

Together, We Come to God

Call to Worship

God, we come to honour you.

You have wonderful plans formed faithful and sure.

You are a stronghold to the poor and to the needy

You are a shelter from the storm and a shade from the heat.

You are our God of salvation

We shall be glad and rejoice in God's salvation. Bible Quest Invitation

*Opening Hymn #799 God is here! as we your people meet

*Opening Prayer

God of all time and space,

You have called people to meet you over the centuries,

in many different places, in many different ways.

We praise you for welcoming us, receiving us as we are.

Hear our prayers and claim us as your own.

In this hour of worship, we pray you send your Spirit upon us

to revive our faith and guide our footsteps

in the way of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. AMEN

* Sung Response



God Speaks to Us

Scripture Reading Hebrew Bible Isaiah 25:1-9

Sing, Shout, Praise, **Musical Reflection** Pepper Choplin

Scripture Reading Philippians 4:1-9 **Epistle**

*Gospel Reading Matthew 22:1-14

Children's Time **Birthdays** Deacon Heather Hobbs

Bible Quest Invitation Hymn #496

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

Scripture Reading Psalm 23

Sermon He Restores My Soul Dr. Barry Morrison,

> In the absence of Dr. Morrison, the sermon is read by Deacon **Garth Greaves**

We Respond to God

Musical Reflection We Are Not Alone Pepper Choplin

*Hymn of Response #630 When we are living

Blessing of the Offering

Pastoral Prayer Paula Papky

* Closing Hymn #651 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

Benediction The Peace of God John Rutter

Postlude Allegro, from Trio Sonata in D, Op. 3 No. 2, Corelli

NOTES

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May the peace of God be with you

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

Church Moderator: Jon Purdy
Director of Music: Monica Admiral
Minister of Worship & Pastoral Care: Susan St. John
Custodian: Sandy Palin

Associate Ministers in Chaplaincy: Robert Bond, Felida Toledo, Claire Gosselin, David Jones

Celebration

Of Our community's 93rd Anniversary

The Lord is our Shepherd We shall not want ... Psalm 23: 1

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.