



PRELUDE – This is My Father's World

- ★ OPENING HYMN – *Come In, Come In and Sit Down* VU 395

OPENING PRAYER – (said by all)

**God, raise our expectations
as we worship today.**

**Do not leave us content to settle
for a feel-good moment,
for a tidbit of usable wisdom,
for a momentary easing of stress.**

**Let us come seeking
an encounter with the risen Christ
so that we may be transformed
to become his living body for the world.
In that holy name, we pray. Amen.**

- ★ HYMN – *We Are One* VU 402

READER: Sylvia Chitty

SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Samuel 7: 1-14a

One: Herein is the wisdom.

All: Thanks be to God.

SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 2: 11-22

One: Herein is the wisdom.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56

One: Herein is good news.

All: Thanks be to God.

- ★ HYMN – *Congregational Choice*

SERMON: “*Building Projects*”

Hymn during the sermon: *The Church of Christ in Every Age*

MUSICAL REFLECTION – I've Got Peace Like a River
Arr. P. Keveren

* CLOSING HYMN – *Let us Build a House* MV 1

POSTLUDE – All Things Bright and Beautiful

◆ Melrose Events ◆

◆ Washroom Renovations Fundraising ◆

We have already raised \$4089.50!

Thank you everyone for your contributions so far. The work is coming along and the room is really starting to take shape!

◆ Observer Renewals and New Subscriptions ◆

If you would like to renew or subscribe to the United Church Observer please let the church office know. The cost is \$25 per year. All subscriptions are due by August 1.

◆ Upcoming Summer vacation plans ◆

Rev. Dr. Philip Gardner will be off from Sunday, July 2 through Sunday, July 29 inclusive. Rev. Alison Nicholson will be covering emergency pastoral care during his time away. For Rev. Nicholson's contact info please contact the church office.

Michelle will be away from July 16-20 inclusive. Custodial staff will be checking messages during this time.

◆ **Corner Shoppe Update** ◆

Thank-you to everyone who has been supporting The Corner Shoppe!

To date in 2018 The Corner Shoppe has raised \$1461 for the Stained Glass Window Repair Fund.

When added to the \$699 left from our 2017 repairs, we currently have a total of \$2160 in reserve for the next stage of repairs.

◆ **Summer Scripture Readers** ◆

We now have a full roster of summer readers. Thank you from Carolyn Duff. I will send reminders to you from Nova Scotia. Please, readers, make sure that Michelle, in the Church Office, has your up-to-date email address.

◆ **Summer Office and Building Hours** ◆

The Melrose Office will be open Monday-Friday from 9:30am-12:30pm. Michelle may work less hours if not busy but will be checking the email and phone messages regularly. The building will remain open as usual.