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Pentecost

Melrose Church Picnic

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PENTECOST

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* indicates a time to stand, if you are able
congregational responses are in **boldface type**

◆ GATHERING ◆

PRELUDE – Fair is the Crystal

Welcome, Sweet Pleasure

O. diLasso

T. Weelkes

WORDS OF WELCOME

* OPENING HYMN – *O Holy Spirit*

VU 379

1 *O Holy Spirit, root of life,
creator, cleanser of all things,
anoint our wounds, awaken us
with lustrous movement of your wings.*

2 *Eternal Vigour, saving one,
you free us by your living word,
becoming flesh to wear our pain,
and all creation is restored.*

3 *O Holy Wisdom, soaring power,
encompass us with wings unfurled,
and carry us, encircling all,
above, below, and through the world.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Rushing Wind of the Spirit, breathe new life into us!

All: **Blazing Flame of the Spirit, burn away our fears!**

One: Comforting Presence of the Spirit, heal our wounds

All: Let us be prepared to worship and praise you, O Holy Spirit.

One: Spirit of God, descend upon us this day and fill us with your love.

All: Make us people who will proclaim God's good news in all that we do.

OPENING PRAYER

**Amazing God,
you call us today,
just as you called the disciples
on the Day of Pentecost.
You challenge and support us,
revealing the brokenness of our communities;
giving us the peace that our world needs.
You point us to the pain of the cross,
and then remind us of the joy of the resurrection.
Transform us, O God,
through the power of your Holy Spirit.
Help us breathe deeply
of the Breath of Life.
Blow through our worship
and change our lives forever. Amen.**

THE LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

◆ SERVICE OF THE WORD ◆

* HYMN – *This is God's Wondrous World*

VU 296

1 *This is God's wondrous world,
and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.
This is God's wondrous world;
I rest me in the thought*

*of rocks and trees, of skies and seas,
God's hand the wonders wrought.*

2 *This is God's wondrous world:
the birds their carols raise;
the morning light, the lily white,
declare their Maker's praise.
This is God's wondrous world:
God shines in all that's fair;
in the rustling grass or mountain pass,
God's voice speaks everywhere.*

3 *This is God's wondrous world:
O let me ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is God's wondrous world:
why should my heart be sad?
Let voices sing, let the heavens ring:
God reigns, let earth be glad!*

A TIME WITH CHILDREN AND THE CHILD WITHIN US

Story: I Wish You More

Read by: Meg Chalmers

Readers: Elora and Matthew Winninger

SCRIPTURE: Acts 2: 1-21

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

All: Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION

◆ **SERVICE OF THE TABLE** ◆

THE PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERING

OFFERING

★ OFFERING HYMN – *One Bread, One Body*

VU 467

Refrain:

**One bread, one body, one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless;
and we, though many, throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.**

3 *Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
woman or man, no more. R*

2 *Many the gifts, many the works,
one in the Lord of all. R*

3 *Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
gathered to one, for all. R*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (said together)

**O Lord our God, there is no one like you
in heaven above or on earth below.**

**You are faithful to your promises,
showing steadfast love to your people.**

**Receive this offering of our lives
as a sacrifice of thanksgiving and praise.**

**Let our lives show forth to all the world
the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

✦ **Pentecost Communion** ✦

The Invitation to Communion

One: In the name of the One who said,
 “I am the bread of life,”
I invite you to come and eat this Pentecost feast.
In the name of the One who said, “I am the true vine,”
I invite you to come and drink.
In the name of the One who said,
 “Love one another, as I have loved you,”
I invite you all to the family table of Jesus Christ.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: God be with you

All: And also with you

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

One: Thanks and praise, glory and honour
 are rightly yours, God of life.

In the beginning, your Spirit moved across the face of
the waters, and when we were formed from the red dust
of the earth you breathed into us the breath of life.

Even when we resisted and grieved you
your Spirit came upon diverse people
empowering them to speak your word of life.

Your steadfast love endures for ever and ever.

And so we praise you with the faithful of every time
and place, gathered in word and spirit with the choirs
of angels and the whole creation in the eternal hymn:

All, Singing:

Holy, holy, holy. Hosanna in the highest! (VU 951)

Let all creation praise and pray:

Save us, Holy God!

One: In the fullness of time, you gave your child Jesus Christ,
to be for us the way, the truth and the life.

At his baptism in the Jordan your spirit came upon him
declaring him to be your beloved Son.

With your spirit within him he resisted temptation;
he proclaimed justice to all peoples,

 good news to the poor, release to the captives,
sight for the blind and liberty for those who are
oppressed. Obedient to your will he gave himself
over to death.

The Words of Institution and Prayer for the Spirit

One: On that never-to-be-forgotten night, the night before
he died, he took bread and after he gave you thanks
he broke it and gave it to his friends saying,
“Take, eat, this is my body which is given to you;
do this in remembrance of me.”

 In the same way, after supper
 he took the cup and gave you thanks.
 He gave the cup to his friends, saying,
 drink this, all of you;
 This is the blood of the New Covenant
 which is shed for you and for many,
 for the forgiveness of sins.
 Do this as often as you drink it,
 in remembrance of me.

On that never-to-be-forgotten day, when you
 raised him from the dead, he was recognized
 by the disciples in the breaking of bread
 and in the power of your Holy Spirit your people have

continued in the breaking of the bread and in prayer.
When we eat this bread and drink from this cup
we experience anew the presence of the Lord Jesus
Christ and look forward to his coming in final victory.

All Singing: *Christ has died, is risen, (VU 951)*
will come again to meet us,
And walks with us the way of love,
Holy Kin(g)dom, come!

Remembering his death and resurrection, his ascension
and his promise to be always with us, we pray that you
will send the power of your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
blessing this sharing of bread and wine, Christ's life in us.
Send your witnesses into all lands, empowered by
your holy Spirit. May we be the body of Christ: light, life
and love in our world.

All Singing: *Holy, holy, holy.*
Amen, we pray, with longing.
Let all creation cry, Amen!
Holy kin(g)dom come!

The Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

(all are invited to share The Peace with one another)

Intercessions

One: At this time, we also remember all with whom you would
have us share your feast. We pray for all who are in sorrow
or in pain, all who are ill or alone. We pray for all whose who
suffer loss through natural disaster or human wrongdoing,
those who are constricted by fear and anxiety. We pray
for ourselves and for our church that we may always strive

for justice, mercy and peace in the name of the One who taught us to pray together, saying:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done; in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Sharing of the Elements

One: The body that we break

All: is a sharing in the body of Christ

One: The cup we take

All: is a sharing of the New Covenant

One: The gifts of God

All: for the people of God

The Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion

All : Gracious God, we praise, worship and adore you for the food received at your table. You have sent your Holy Spirit among us to make our eating and drinking a living remembrance of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

We go from here, strengthened, refreshed and empowered by your Spirit to make our living and working, our loving and doing and thinking, a true and joyful memorial of him. Through Christ, all glory and honour are yours, Holy God, with the Holy Spirit in the holy church, now and forever. Amen.

* text of sung communion responses, William S. Kervin

1 *We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God,
we are marching in the light of God.
(the light of God.)
We are marching, (marching, we are marching,)
oo-oo, (marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.
(the light of God.)
We are marching, (marching, we are marching,)
oo-oo, (marching,)
we are marching in the light of God.*

2 *Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos',
siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'.
Siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos',
siyahamb' ekukhanyen' kwenkhos',
(khanyen' kwenkhos'.)
Siyahamba, (hamba siyahamba,)
oo-oo, (hamba,)
siyahamb', ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'.
(khanyen' kwenkhos'.)
Siyahamba, (hamba siyahamba,)
oo-oo, (hamba,)
siyahamb', ekukhanyen' kwenkhos'.*

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

BLESSING OF OUR PICNIC MEAL

*A special thank you to Margaret Duff for providing the
bread and wine for this morning's communion meal.*

◆ **Melrose Vision** ◆

To respond to God's call by being a people of faith who open our hearts and minds to the true power and love of Jesus Christ. To live our faith by providing within our changing community a welcoming environment which encourages all people to care for and accept one another.

◆ **Newcomers and Visitors** ◆

Welcome to Melrose United Church!

Please feel free to fill in the form in the Welcome Binder located by the Name Tag boxes which are located on the tables by the east doors on each side of the chancel step.

◆ **Worship Next Week** ◆

Next Sunday, Father's Day in the secular calendar and Trinity Sunday in the church calendar, we will mark two auspicious occasions in the life of Melrose: one an ending and the other a beginning. This will be the final Sunday of the Rev. Dr. Philip Gardner's almost four year ministry. In happier news, however, it will also be the occasion when we welcome little Maverick Ulysses Preston (son of Seth and Valerie) to the church family of Christ through baptism. Worship will conclude with a joyous celebration of Holy Communion to be followed by a reception in the auditorium. It is also a special Sunday in the artistic life of the congregation. The service music will include the beautiful "Missa Brevis in F" by W.A. Mozart which will be performed by the Melrose choir and soloists under the direction of Alexander Cann.

WIT - Women In Touch potluck dinner

Wednesday June 12th at 6:30 pm in the Melrose church parlour
Our guest this evening is: **Alyssa Richards, staff @ Willow's Place.**

Come & share a meal with friends!!

JOIN US

to celebrate

and thank

Rev. Dr. Philip Gardner

June 16

**Join us after the church service for
fellowship and to wish
Rev. Gardner well!**



MELROSE UNITED CHURCH

Plan to join us

Summer worship

JULY AND AUGUST

Believe it or not...Summer is coming!

Summer chapel services will begin on Sunday June 23. We will worship in our air conditioned chapel on June 23 and 30. During the month of July we will worship together with the congregation of First Pilgrim United @ 200 Main Street East. Onsite parking located at a business on the west side of the building (the business owner is okay with this arrangement). No services will take place at Melrose during this time. In August we will join together with weekly worship here at Melrose in our chapel.

MELROSE WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday – June 10

Search Committee Meeting	6:00 p.m.	Chapel, Sanct., Nursery
Melrose Official Board	7:30 p.m.	Parlour

Tuesday - June 11

Melrose Bible Study	10:00 a.m.	Chapel
Music Class	3:30 p.m.	Room 36
Martial Arts Class	6:00 p.m.	Norman Slater Room
Bach Elgar Auditions	5:30 p.m.	Chapel
Tai Chi	7:30 p.m.	Parlour

Wednesday - June 12

Siva Yoga	10:30 a.m.	Norman Slater Room
Pilates	6:00 p.m.	Norman Slater Room
Women in Touch Dinner	6:30 p.m.	Parlour
Resource Management	7:30 p.m.	Chapel

Thursday - June 13

Mother Goose Classes	8:45 a.m.	Parlour
Yoga Evening Group	7:00 p.m.	Norman Slater Room
Melrose Choir Practice	7:30 p.m.	Chapel
Tai Chi	7:30 p.m.	Parlour

Friday - June 14

Annual Fire Inspection	8:00 a.m	Entire Building
Off site Youth Event	Evening	Escape Room

Saturday - June 15

Private Event	9:00 a.m.	Parlour
Tom Schilling: Master Class	7:00 p.m.	Chapel

Sunday – June 16

Melrose Choir Practice	9:40 a.m.	Chapel
Melrose Worship and Celebration	10:30 a.m.	Dundas Driving Park