**First United Church**

*Seeking to be a welcoming community of Christian faith, proclaiming and celebrating the love of God in Jesus Christ through the Inspiration of the Holy Spirit*

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September 15, 2019 @ 10:30am

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*MINISTERS: ALL THE PEOPLE OF GOD*

*Music Minister: Jody McDonald-Groulx*

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*Custodian: Dave Luftenegger*

**Order of Service**

**\*** You are invited to stand if comfortable doing so

VU = Voices United MV = More Voices

***Musical Prelude***

***Welcome***

***Choral Musical Prelude***

1. “That’s Why We Praise Him”

***That’s why we praise Him, that’s why we sing***

***That’s why we offer Him our everything***

***That’s why we bow down and worship this King***

***‘Cause He gave His everything***

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1. MV#21 “Open Our Hearts”

***Open our hearts, open our minds.***

***Open our lives to you, O loving God.***

***(Open our hearts)***

***Opening Prayer***

***Call to Worship:***

***Lighting of the Christ Candle***

**I am the light of world, you people come and follow me.**

**If we follow and love, we’ll learn the mystery**

**Of what we were meant to do and be.**

***Passing of the Peace (***VU #958“Halle, Halle, Halle*”****)***

***Musical Offering:*** *Senior Choir*

***Welcome/Life and Work of the Church***

***Hymn of Praise***: MV#122 “This is the Day”

***Prayers of the People/The Lord’s Prayer***

***Hymn:*** VU#400 “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

***Conversation with the Young People***

*Children & Youth may leave for Church School*

***Offering Ourselves, Tithes & Gifts***

***Dedication Hymn:*** (tune “Eidelweiss”)

**God of Love, hear our prayer. Bless this offering we bring you. May our lives do Your will; guide and guard us forever. Give us courage to stand for truth; help us give to others. God of Love, hear our prayer, Bless this offering we bring you.**

***Scripture Reading:*** Acts 3:1-10

***Hymn of Preparation:*** VU#402 We Are One” (vv 1, & 2)

***The Message:*** “Doing What You Can” Kevin Abell

***Prayer***

***Hymn of Response****:* MV#221 “I Am Walking A Path of Peace”

***\*Commissioning/ Benediction***

 ***Closing - Sing:*** *MV #209*

**Go make a diff’rence. We can make a diff’rence.**

**Go make a diff’rence in the world.**

**Go make a diff’rence. We can make a diff’rence.**

**Go make a diff’rence in the world.**

***\* Musical Postlude***

*Thank you to Kevin Abell*

*for sharing his message with us today.*