

WELCOME TO WORSHIP ON OCTOBER 17TH, 2021.

Keswick & Ravenshoe Pastoral Charge

Minister: Rev. Calin Lau VAM: Rev. Dianne Graves
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VU – Voices United Hymnbook MV – More Voices

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
147TH ANNIVERSARY OF KESWICK UNITED CHURCH!

We Gather

Prelude

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Announcements: Bible Study at Rev. Dianne's Oct. 18 & 25.
Rev. Lau will be at his Keswick office Fridays 9:30 to Noon.

Pass the Peace

Peace be with you.
And also with you.

Introit

Lighting of the Christ candle

Singing of the Lord's Prayer VU 959

Call to Worship

Come with your praises, O people of God.
With all God's creatures we give God thanks and praise.
Come with thanksgiving, O people of God.
With lightning and thunder we give God thanks and praise.
Come with all the desires of your hearts, O people of God.
With the whole universe, we give God thanks and praise.
Come, let us worship God.

Hymn: VU 291 All things bright and beautiful (v. 3,4,5)

Gathering Prayer (*in unison*)

O Great Spirit, we gather in your greatness reflected in all creation. With humble hearts we open ourselves to the wisdom of your word, the tenderness of your compassion and the challenge of your gospel. Redirect our living with your cup of self-giving and your baptism of service. Amen.

Ministry of Music

Responsive Scripture: Psalm 104 VU 826-7 Refrain 1

Hymn: MV 30 It's a Song of Praise to the Maker (v. 1,2,3)

Scripture Reading: Mark 10:35-45 (NRSV) *Stan Armstrong*
James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."
This is the Word of God.

Thanks be to God.

Reflection “Who Has the Wisdom?”

Hymn: VU 117 Jesus Christ is Waiting (v. 1,3,5)

We Give and Receive our Offering

May we gain wisdom in the giving, and may these gifts be blessed for your glory.

Offertory Hymn: VU 579

The Church is Wherever God’s People (v. 2)

Prayer of Dedication

Thank you, God, for making us servants of your work in the world. Receive these gifts we offer, and multiply what we give, transforming it into an overflowing abundance to serve the needs of others. Amen.

Sharing of the Minutes for Mission –
“No One Should Go Hungry”

Prayers of the People

Hymn: VU 567 Will You Come and Follow Me (v. 2,4,5)

***Commissioning and Blessing**

Friends, go with courage and peace, and travel well with your desire

to be all you can be in the service of the Gospel.

Be prepared to be humbled; be open to great but needed change.

May the creative power of God, the redeeming power of Christ, and the sustaining power of the Spirit, be in you and uphold you on this day and into the days ahead.

Amen.

Hymn: Go Now In Peace

Postlude

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*Keswick's 147th Anniversary!
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