

HASTINGS ROSENEATH PASTORAL CHARGE
The United Church of Canada



June 10, 2018—93rd Anniversary of the United Church of
Canada

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"GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME"

^**MUSICAL PRELUDE:** *(Leader & Choir Enter)*  
*(^)* means, please stand, *(Bold Print - Congregation Response)*  
**LIFE & WORK OF THE CHURCHES**

^**CHORAL INTROIT:** MV#7 Gather Us In  
*Gather us in, ground us in you.*  
*Gather us in, ground us in you.*  
*Gather us in, gather us in,*  
*Ground us, ground us in you.*

^**CALL TO WORSHIP:** Rev. Jamie York

^**HYMN:** VU#402 We are One

**OPENING PRAYER:** *(In Unison)*

*Today is the 93rd anniversary of The United Church of  
Canada, God.*

*And much has happened over those many years.*

*Some good and supportive... Some not so much!*

*We believe that you call us to seek unity and build  
bridges, but others accuse us of being wishy-washy and  
indecisive.*

*We have responded to your call to follow the Way of Jesus,  
others tell us that maybe we aren't really Christians at  
all.*

*We seek to take scripture seriously and let it shape our  
Lives, others tell us we have abandoned your Word.*

*You tell us to seek justice, love kindness, and walk  
humbly.*

*You call us to risk everything for the sake of your gospel,*

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*...others tell us that we have risked too much, questioned  
too much, debated too much, and have lost our way.  
Remind us, Gracious God, of who and whose we are.  
Remind us, in scripture, in song, in prayer,  
of your call and your mission for each of us and for our  
denomination. Amen.* (Susan Lukey, High River U.C., High River, Alta.)

**CHOIR:** *(Roseneath)*

**SCRIPTURE READING:** 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 (Reader)  
Reader: May God bless this reading for God's people today.  
**People:** *Thanks be to God! Amen.*

**FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL:** *"Flimsy Tents"*

^**HYMN:** VU#374 Come and Find the Quiet Centre

**GOSPEL READING:** Mark 3:20-35 (M)

Leader: In this reading is Good News for God's people.

**People:** *May the Spirit of the Living God be with us today! Amen.*

**SERMON:** *"Out of our minds?"*

^**HYMN:** "Do We Dare" words & music by Rev. Wanda Stride  
(used with her permission)

**MINUTE FOR MISSION:**

*"Moving Forward in Our Intercultural Work"*

^**OFFERING AND DEDICATION:** *(In Unison)* MV#191  
*What can I do?... What can I bring? ...What can I say?  
What can I sing? I'll sing with joy... I'll say a prayer.  
I'll bring my love... I'll do my share. (Repeat)*

^**PRAYER of DEDICATION:** *(In Unison)*

*We bring before you, God, our gifts—gifts of our labours,  
gifts from our hearts, gifts that remind us that life is to be  
shared with others. Bless these offerings, and the spirit  
in which they have been given, in Christ's name, we pray.  
Amen.*

**PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER** (sung VU#959)

^**HYMN:** VU#713 I See a New Heaven

^**COMMISSIONING:** (Responsive)

In 1925 this new church for Canada was formed. Since then we, across Canada, have tried to live up to God's call to us through Jesus.

To be faithful, loving, and caring, forward moving disciples of Christ and members of the United Church of Canada.

We come to our collective ministry in the church, with the commandment of Jesus to follow and obey:

***"Love the Lord your God  
with all your heart, strength, mind and soul.  
And love your neighbour as yourself.***

**BENEDICTION:** Rev. Jamie York

^**CHORAL BLESSING:** (Go Now in Peace)

***Go now in peace, never be afraid***

***God will go with you each hour of every day.***

***Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,***

***Know God will guide you in all you do.***

***Go now in love and show you believe***

***Reach out to others, so all the world can see***

***God will be there, watching from above,***

***Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.***

***A-a-men, A-a-men, A-a-a-men (Don Besig & Nancy Price)***



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