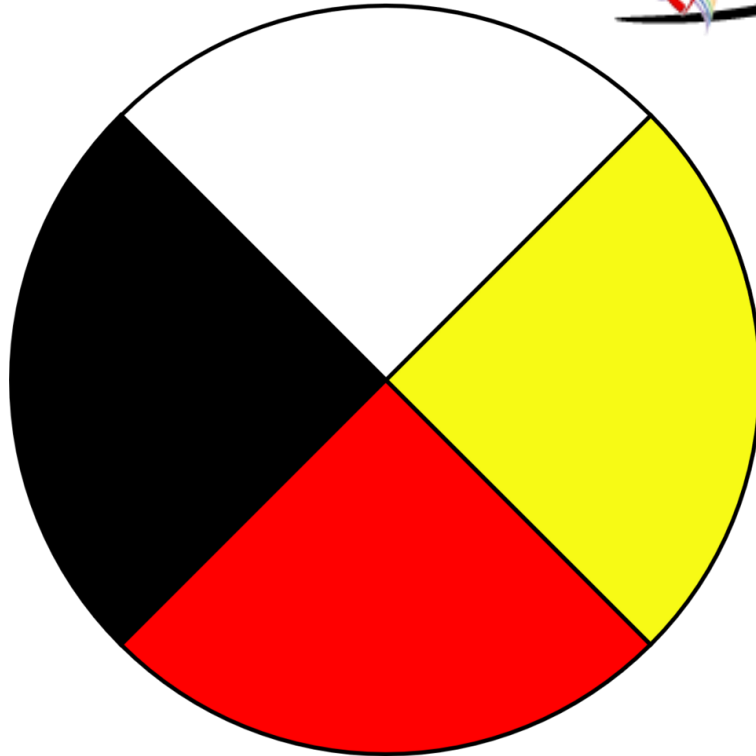


# Welcome to First-St Andrew's UNITED CHURCH



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# Welcome



Together we all make up the family of First-St. Andrew's.  
If you are new to the family, please know that  
you are always welcome here.



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**Bold type** indicates congregational response. \* indicates to stand in body or spirit

## Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Joshua Lawrence (he/him)

One: God is with us,  
**ALL: all the time,**  
One: and all the time,  
**ALL: God is with us.**

## Acknowledging the Traditional Territory

Rev. Dr. Joshua Lawrence

## Lighting the Candles

**Candle Lighting Music:** VU #308 Many and Great, O God, Are Your Works LACQUIPARLE  
See next page

## Opening Prayer:

Rev. Dr. Joshua Lawrence

Creator God, whose life-giving presence has brought us into this day to celebrate and care, we humbly accept our role in creation. And we confess to convenient bouts of amnesia when it concerns doing the inconvenient work of new practices. Practices that are rooted in the web of all relations, movements and prayers that acknowledge that we are but a part of all that is, not the foundation. Today, we are fortunate to be gathered in closer proximity to the elements that constitute us, that give us what we need to thrive and faithfully inhabit this land. For the remainder of our days, may we step forward as beings in right relation, giving thanks with our actions and ensuring that all life has a chance to live, and live abundantly. Amen.

**\*Hymn:** VU #307 Touch the Earth Lightly  
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**Scripture:** 1 Samuel 1: 1-6, 10-18

Lesley Andrew

One: A Word of God for all people,  
**ALL: thanks be to God.**

# 308 Many and Great, O God, Are Your Works

1 Ma - ny and great, O God, are your works, Mak - er of  
 2 Grant un - to us com - mu - nion with you, O star - a -

1 Ka - ti - pe - yi - ci - ket ki - si - pas - ka - mi - kaahk  
 2 O - pe - wii ce - wi - naan Ma - ni - to is - pi - mihk

earth and sky. Your hands have set the heav - ens with stars,  
 bid - ing one. Come un - to us and dwell with us,  
 kii - me - kiw. O - si - taw mi - na a - ca - ko - sak  
 oh - ci. E - ko - si wii - ci - tas - ke - mi - naan. Kih -

your fin - gers spread the moun - tains and plains. Lo, at your  
 with you are found the gifts of life. Bless us with  
 Ma - ni - to o - to - te - naw wii - ya. Ciist wii - ya  
 ci - me - ki - wi - na maa - ka mii - yi - naan kaa - ki -

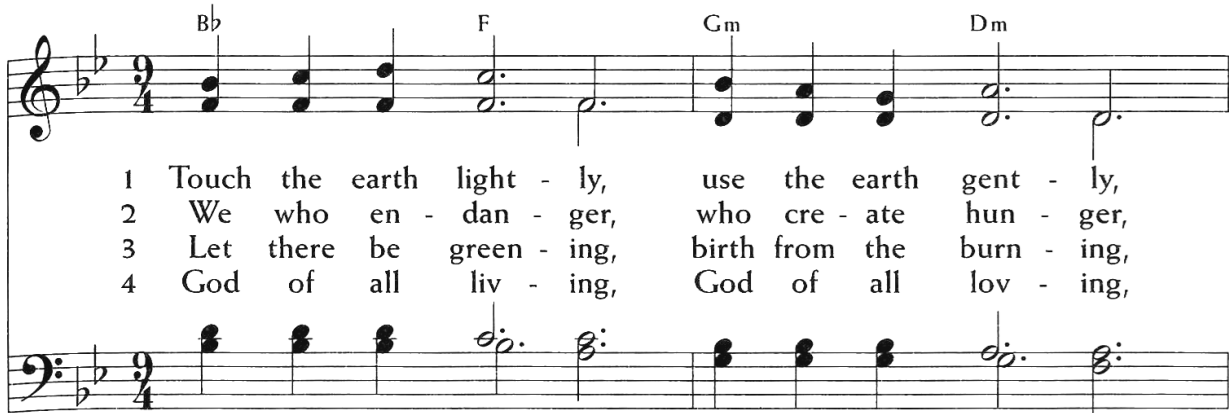
word the wat - ers were formed; deep seas o - bey your voice.  
 life that has no end, e - ter - nal life with you.  
 ka - pi - maa - cii - ko - yahk e - pe - mi - ci - wa - ki.  
 ke pi - maa - ti - si - win e - ko - te is - pi - mik.

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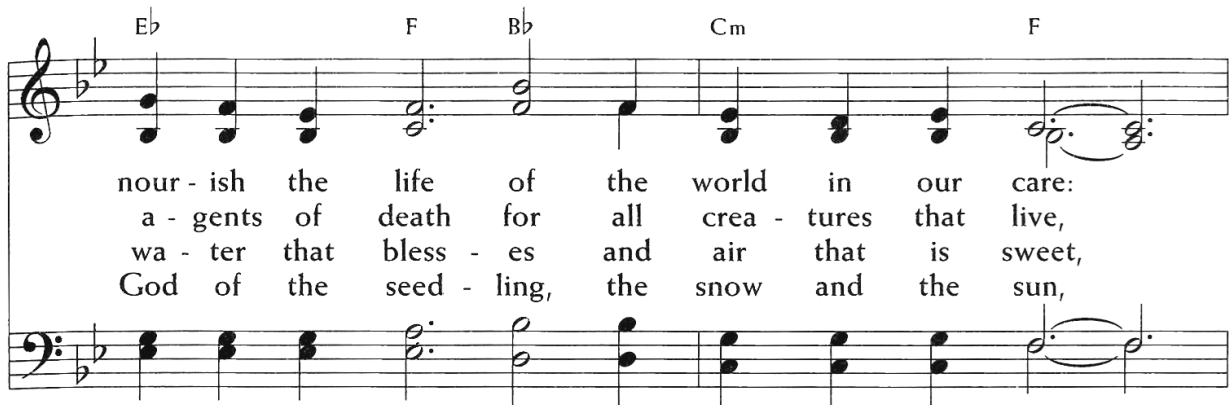
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## Touch the Earth Lightly

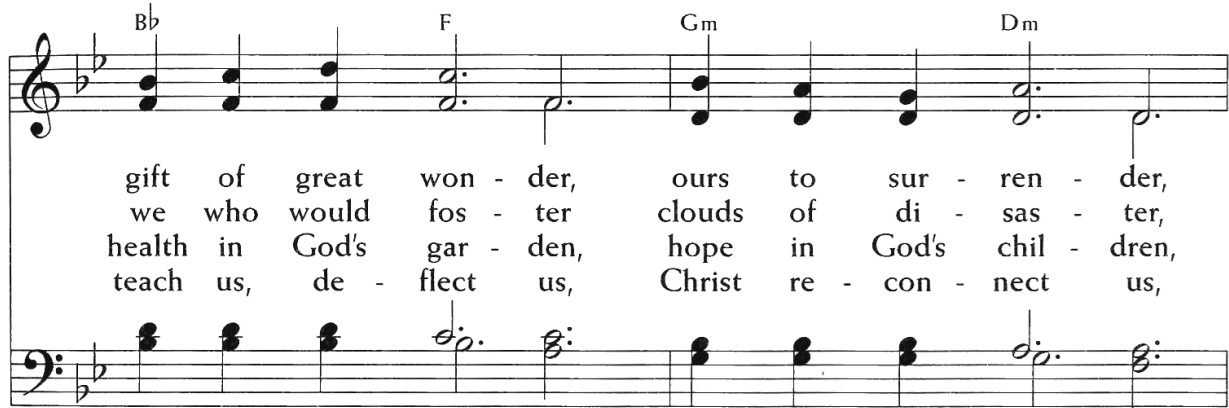
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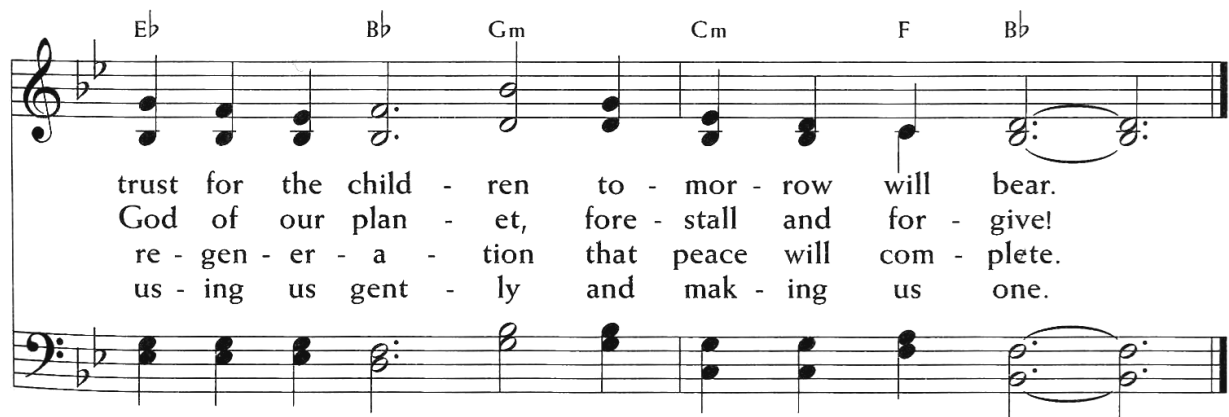
1 Touch the earth light - ly, use the earth gent - ly,  
 2 We who en - dan - ger, who cre - ate hun - ger,  
 3 Let there be green - ing, birth from the burn - ing,  
 4 God of all liv - ing, God of all lov - ing,



nour - ish the life of the world in our care:  
 a - gents of death for all crea - tures that live,  
 wa - ter that bless - es and air that is sweet,  
 God of the seed - ling, the snow and the sun,



gift of great won - der, ours to sur - ren - der,  
 we who would fos - ter clouds of di - sas - ter,  
 health in God's gar - den, hope in God's chil - dren,  
 teach us, de - flect us, Christ re - con - nect us,



trust for the child - ren to - mor - row will bear.  
 God of our plan - et, fore - stall and for - give!  
 re - gen - er - a - tion that peace will com - plete.  
 us - ing us gent - ly and mak - ing us one.

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*Leader:*

Xhosa: Oh bam-be-le - la, oh bam-be-le - la, oh bam-be-le - la,  
 English: Oh nev-er give up, oh nev-er give up, oh nev-er give up,

*All:* G G7 C

Xhosa: Bam-be-le - la, bam-be-le - la, (oh) bam-be-le - la,  
 English: Nev-er give up, nev-er give up, (oh) nev-er give up,

oh oh bam - ba, bam - ba, bam - ba, bam - ba, oh  
 oh nev - er, nev - er, nev - er, nev - er, oh

C G C/G D

bam-be-le - la, bam - ba, bam - ba, bam - ba, bam - ba, oh  
 nev - er give up, nev - er, nev - er, nev - er, nev - er, oh

Repeats Last time

*Leader:*

bam - ba, bam - be - le - la. Si - zo bam - be - le - la,  
 nev - er, nev - er give up. You must nev - er give up,

C Am/D G

bam - ba, bam - be - le - la.  
 nev - er, nev - er give up.

**\*Scripture:** Matthew 15: 21-28

Rev. Dr. Joshua Lawrence

**Sermon:** "All in the Family"

**\*Hymn:** She Came to Jesus

SLANE

## She Came to Jesus

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2020

*Slane*  
ancient Irish ballad



1. She came to Je - sus from out - side the fold—  
2. Claim-ing a bless - ing, a touch of God's grace,  
3. God, you still bless those who seek you in prayer.



Ca - naan - ite wo - man! Per - sis - tent and bold!  
She knew God's love was not bound - ed by place.  
You wel - come dream - ers who faith - ful - ly dare.



Look - ing to Je - sus, she wan - ted to see  
Je - sus, you lis - tened, de - ba - ted— then healed—  
In Christ, now ris - en, your mer - cy ex - tends:



One who would help her and set her child free.  
For in her ask - ing, her faith was re - vealed.  
Those on the out - side are wel - comed as friends.

## Prayers of the People:

Rev. Dr. Joshua Lawrence

One: Creator of Life  
**ALL: hear our prayer.**

### **Prayer of Jesus:** *(from The First Nations Translation of the Bible)* *Unison*

O Great Spirit, our Father from above,  
we honor your name as sacred and holy.

Bring your good road to us,  
where the beauty of your ways in the spirit-world above  
is reflected in the earth below.

Provide for us day by day--  
the elk, the buffalo, and the salmon.  
The corn, the squash, and the wild rice.  
All the things we need for each day.

Release us from the things we have done wrong,  
in the same way we release others for the things done wrong to us.

Guide us away from the things that tempt us to stray from your good road,  
and set us free from the evil one and his worthless ways.

Aho! May it be so!

### **Musical Offering:** Waniskâ Choir

Sherryl Sewepagaham

*(sung in Woodland Cree-Dene)*

Waniskâ, askî pimatsîmakan  
*(Wake up, the land/earth is alive)*

Mîwîhtîtan oma oskih kîsikaw  
*(Let's be happy [with] this new day)*

Pimohtîtan kisastînohk  
*(Let's walk together in the sun [light].)*

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**Gratitude:**

Rev. Dr. Joshua Lawrence

**\*Hymn: MV#217 Hey Ney Yana**

Brook Medicine Eagle

*J* = 88

Hey ney ya - na, hey ney ya - na,  
 hey ney ya - na, hey ya hey yo, hey ya hey yo.  
 1 I walk in beau - ty, yes I do, yes I do, I  
 2 I leave in beau - ty, yes I do, yes I do, I  
 talk in beau - ty, yes I do, yes I do, I  
 sleep in beau - ty, yes I do, yes I do, I  
 sing of beau - ty, hey ya hey yo, hey ya hey yo.  
 dream of beau - ty, hey ya hey yo, hey ya hey yo.

*The syllables in the chorus of this song of respect for Creation are vocables, non-lexical syllables meant as vehicles for praise. Try this song unaccompanied or with a hand drum accenting the beginning of each measure.*

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**Blessing:**

**The light of God surrounds us;  
 The love of God enfolds us;  
 The power of God protects us;  
 The presence of God watches over us;  
 Wherever we are, God is!**

**The Leadership in Today's Service Includes:**

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 Gift Card Table: David Manness and Susan McKane

We thank God for all those who share their gifts and talents.