

# ORANGE SHIRT DAY SUNDAY

September 27, 2020

Prelude: Air from Orchestral Suite in D major by J.S. Bach

*Organist: Bruce Nasmith*

Welcome, Announcements & Worship Theme

## CALL TO WORSHIP:

“Even Though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence,” the apostle Paul writes, “I have received mercy... and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.” (1 Tim: 13-14)

**We who gather for worship are people who have made mistakes and will make mistakes in our lives...**

We who gather for worship who are Canadian have made mistakes and will make mistakes as Canadians in our lives...

**We have hurt people and robbed them of their dignity and worth. We have been blinded by a false superiority, by a fear of the other, by an insecurity in being loved for who we are, imperfections and all.**

We need mercy and help. We need freedom. We need to open our hearts to repent and to be forgiven. We need to seek to make things right in order to heal and become reconciled.

**With God’s mercy and help, all things are possible.**

**ALL: Let us worship God together!**

Hymn #757: "Come sing, O church, in joy!"

*Soloists: Anna Bateman, Erin Stone, Shaun Alphonso, Chris Tanaka-Mann, Organist: Bruce Nasmith*

1. Come sing, O church, in joy!  
Come join, O church, in song!  
For Christ the Lord has led us through  
the ages long!  
In bold accord, come celebrate the  
journey now and praise the Lord!

2. Long years have come and gone,  
and still God reigns supreme,  
empowering us to catch the vision,  
dream the dream!  
In bold accord, come celebrate the  
journey now and praise the Lord!

3. Let courage be our friend,  
let wisdom be our guide,  
as we in mission magnify the Crucified!  
In bold accord, come celebrate the  
journey now and praise the Lord!

4. Come sing, O church, in joy!  
Come join, O church, in song!  
For Christ the Lord has triumphed o'er  
the ages long!  
In bold accord,  
come celebrate the journey now and  
praise the Lord!

Prayer of Approach, Confession & The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on 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, forever...**

The Peace of Christ be with you all;  
**And also with you.**

Children's Theme

Special Music: "Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake" by Richard Farrant

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## Scripture Readings

### 1 Timothy 1. 12-17

<sup>12</sup> I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, <sup>13</sup>even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, <sup>14</sup>and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup>The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. <sup>16</sup>But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. <sup>17</sup>To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

### Philippians 3. 4-12

<sup>4</sup> If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup>circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup>as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

<sup>7</sup> Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ.

<sup>8</sup> More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup>and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. <sup>10</sup> I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup>if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

<sup>12</sup> Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Amen.

We are listening, O God;  
**Speak to us!**

Sermon: HOW MUCH ARE WE RESPONSIBLE FOR?

## Special Music: "There's a wideness in God's mercy" by Maurice Bevan

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### Prayers of Thanksgiving & Pastoral Concern

#### Hymn #736: "For the healing of the nations"

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1. For the healing of the nations,  
Lord, we pray with one accord,  
for a just and equal sharing  
of the things that earth affords.  
To a life of love in action help us  
rise and pledge our word.
2. Lead us forward into freedom  
from despair your word release,  
that, redeemed from war and hatred,  
all may come and go in peace.  
Show us how through care and  
goodness  
fear will die and hope increase.
3. All that kills abundant living,  
let it from the earth be banned,  
pride of status, race or schooling,  
dogmas that obscure your plan.  
In our common quest for justice  
may be hallow life's brief span.
4. You, creator God, have written  
your great name on humankind;  
for our growing in your likeness  
bring the life of Christ to mind,  
that, by our response and service,  
earth its destiny may find.

### Benediction

### Threefold Amen

### Postlude: Little Toccata by Bruce Nasmith

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