

March 8th, 2021 Lent 3
Worship Link: <https://youtu.be/19a2aGfppH0>

PRELUDE: *Imagine*
(Cover made by Michael Lemiski)

by John Lennon

CALLED TO WORSHIP: (provided by PWS&D from our denomination)

Led by Carolyn McAvoy & some of her family (Shawn in Kanata, Laurel in Vancouver, Bruce in Coaldale/Alberta, Maureen in King City and Ruth in Newmarket)

CHILDREN'S TIME & SONG: #203 *When Jesus the healer*

by Peter Smith

♪ When Jesus the healer passed through Galilee
Heal us, heal us today
The deaf came to hear and the blind came to see
Heal us Lord Jesus

♪ Disciples commissioned and sent out in twos
Heal us, heal us today
To make the sick whole and to spread the good news
Heal us Lord Jesus

♪ There's still so much sickness and suffering today
Heal us, heal us today
We gather together for healing and pray
Heal us Lord Jesus

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION:

(shared today with the children, adapted from liturgy developed by Rev Sharon Ross Ensor of the Presbyterian Church USA Schools Resource Office)

Please prepare some food and drink that you may share in communion.

Dear God, thank you that you have nourished us with the bread of life and the wine of hope. Your love flowed out through Christ to those around him...may your love flow through us to others. You showed us your broken life in Christ's cross, now brought to resurrection newness...so let your life meet us in our brokenness and pain...release hope in us and others, through Jesus, the one who brings hope, peace, joy and love to the world. Amen

Jesus asks us to share the good news about his love with people in the world. The bible asks us to do this – let's hear about that as we listen to the scripture reading today.

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 52:7 (paraphrase by Leslie Brandt); Luke 10 (sel verses)

Read by Margaret Lupton, from Tavistock, Ontario (former Reeve of Zorra Township)

This is the word of the Lord! **Thanks be to God.**

PRAYER: Refrain: #777 *Send me Lord/Thuma Mina*

South African Traditional

♪ ***Send me Lord, send me Jesus send me
Jesus send me, Jesus send me. Send me Lord***

Loving God, we hear the scriptures that Margaret read,

♪ ***Lead me Lord, lead me Jesus lead me
Jesus lead me, Jesus lead me. Lead me Lord***

We do pray that you would lead us Lord....

♪ ***Fill me Lord, fill me Jesus fill me
Jesus fill me, Jesus fill me. Fill me Lord***

We pray you might fill us – give us what we need today.....

SERMON: *Sent out....during Covid*

CLOSING HYMN: #775 *Sent forth by your blessing*

By O. Westendorf

Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,
Your people O God from your table take leave.
The supper is ended, oh now be extended
the fruits of your service in all who believe.
The seed of your teaching, our hungry souls reaching,
shall blossom in action for all humankind.
Your grace shall incite us, your love shall unite us
to work for your kingdom, your purpose to find.

With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living,
the tasks of our everyday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
embracing as neighbours all those of each race.
One feast that has fed us, one light that has led us
Unite us as one in your life that we share.
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving
Give honour to Christ and his name that we bear.

BENEDICTION: & POSTLUDE *This little light of mine*