

**YORK UNITED MINISTRIES  
SUNDAY AUGUST 8, 2021  
AT NEW HOPE UNITED CHURCH  
ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST<sup>1</sup>**

**WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

**Prelude**

**Words of Welcome**

**Life and work of our Church**

**Lighting the Christ Candle**

"Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you."

**Call to Worship**

I will bless the Lord at all times;  
his praise shall continually be in my mouth.  
O magnify the Lord with me,  
and let us exalt God's name together!

**\*Opening Hymn: "Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven" (#240 VU)**

**Praise, my soul, the God of heaven,  
glad of heart your carols raise;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
who, like me, should sing God's praise.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Praise the Maker all your days!**

**Praise God for the grace and favour  
shown our forebears in distress;  
God is still the same forever,  
slow to chide and swift to bless.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Sing our Maker's faithfulness!**

**Like a loving parent caring,  
God knows well our feeble frame;**

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<sup>1</sup> **Bold** print indicates a congregational response. \*please stand if able.

**gladly all our burdens bearing,  
still to countless years the same.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
All within me, praise God's name!**

**Frail as summer's flower we flourish;  
blows the wind and it is gone;  
but, while mortals rise and perish,  
God endures unchanging on.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Praise the high eternal one.**

**Angels, teach us adoration,  
you behold God face to face;  
sun and moon and all creation,  
dwellers all in time and space.  
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
Praise with us the God of grace!**

### **Opening Prayer**

Eternal God, your Son Jesus Christ is the true bread from heaven. Draw us to Christ that we may receive nourishing grace for our journey in this world and know at last the joy of everlasting life with Christ, who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

### **Prayer of Confession**

God of peace, we sometimes have ignored your sovereignty and forged our own way. We hang between heaven and earth, caught up in our own folly. We have held fast to falsehood, deceiving others and ourselves. We have sinned against you and done violence to others. Bitterness and wrath, anger and wrangling, slander and malice consume us. Evil runs rampant in our hearts. If you, O Lord, should mark our iniquities, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you so that you may be revered. Our soul waits in hope for your word to redeem us so that we may begin anew, a new day with you. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

**Response: "Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary" (#18 MV)  
Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy tried and true;  
with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

People of God, hope in the Lord! God in Christ has forgiven you!  
God has redeemed us from all our iniquities through Christ, who loved us  
and gave himself for us as living bread for the life of the world.  
Come and attend the embracing forgiveness and rejuvenating grace.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **\*Affirmation of Faith: New Creed**

**We are not alone, we live in God's world.**

**We believe in God:**

**who has created and is creating,  
who has come in Jesus,  
the Word made flesh,  
to reconcile and make new,  
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

**We trust in God.**

**We are called to be the Church:**

**to celebrate God's presence,  
to live with respect in Creation,  
to love and serve others,  
to seek justice and resist evil,  
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,  
our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,**

**God is with us. We are not alone.**

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Ministry of Music**

### **WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD**

## **Prayer for Illumination**

God of daybreak, our souls wait for your light more than those who watch  
for the morning. Let your Holy Spirit illumine our hearts with the light of  
your redemption, a new day, a new life in Christ. **Amen.**

## **Scripture Reading**

### **1 Kings 19: 1-7**

<sup>1</sup>Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the  
prophets with the sword. <sup>2</sup>Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah,  
saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your

life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." <sup>3</sup> Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there. <sup>4</sup> But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." <sup>5</sup> Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." <sup>6</sup> He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. <sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you."

**Response: "Spirit of Life" (#381 VU)**

**Spirit of Life, come unto me.**

**Sing in my heart all the stirrings of compassion**

**Blow in the wind, rise in the sea;**

**Move on the hand giving life the shape of justice.**

**Roots hold me close, wings set me free;**

**Spirit of Life, come to me, come to me.**

**Time for the Children in All of Us**

**Reflection: "It is NOT Enough"**

**Rev. Andrew K. Lee**

**Music for Silent Reflection**

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

**The Offering of our Gifts and Ourselves**

**Invitation:** Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. As beloved children, let us be imitators of God, presenting our gifts as a fragrant offering and sacrifice, through Christ our Lord.

**\*Doxology: "In Gratitude and Humble Trust" (#544 VU)**

**In gratitude and humble trust**

**we bring our best today**

**to serve your cause and share your love**

**with all along life's way.**

**O God, who gave yourself to us**

**in Jesus Christ, your Son,**

**teach us to give ourselves each day**

**until life's work is done.**

**\*Offertory Prayer (in unison):**

**Generous, transforming God,**

**thank you for the blessing of honest labor,  
through which you have provided these gifts  
for our hands to share with those in need.**

**We dedicate them now as an expression**

**Of your love for the world, through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**The Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (#959 VU)**

**WE GO FORTH TO LOVE AS CHRISTIANS IN THE WORLD**

**\*Closing Hymn: "*Bless the Lord*"**

**Bless the Lord oh my soul Oh my soul**

**Worship His Holy name**

**Sing like never before Oh my soul**

**I'll worship Your Holy name**

**The sun comes up it's a new day dawning**

**It's time to sing Your song again**

**Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me**

**Let me be singing when the evening comes**

**Bless the Lord oh my soul Oh my soul**

**Worship His Holy name**

**Sing like never before Oh my soul**

**I'll worship Your Holy name**

**You're rich in love and You're slow to anger**

**Your name is great and Your heart is kind**

**For all Your goodness I will keep on singing**

**Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find**

**Bless the Lord oh my soul Oh my soul**

**Worship His Holy name**

**Sing like never before Oh my soul**

**I'll worship Your Holy name**

**Bless You Lord and on that day when my strength is failing**

**The end draws near and my time has come**

**Still my soul will sing Your praise unending**

**Ten thousand years and then forevermore, forevermore**

**Bless the Lord oh my soul Oh my soul**

**Worship His Holy name**

**Sing like never before Oh my soul  
I'll worship Your Holy name**

**Blessing and Sending Forth**

**Rev. Andrew K. Lee**

**Postlude**



## **York United Ministries Announcements**

### **Worship Service: We Are Back!**

Our churches are now open for the Sunday worship services. We (YUM), gather for the worship services on Sundays at 10 a.m. New Hope UC hosted on-site worship service today using public health guidelines. For those who cannot come to church, the sermon recording is provided at:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL772mvVOna2VqaLlmkQsNw?view\\_as=subscriber](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL772mvVOna2VqaLlmkQsNw?view_as=subscriber). You may subscribe to the channel and turn on notifications in order to be informed automatically, or check out the church webpages or Facebook pages. You may click "LIKE" button or leave your comments on the online services to encourage each other.

### **YAYA - YTB Q-Box Series**

Q-Box Series are being updated. YAYA people, please check the YUM YouTube channel. Recent Updates are:

"How can you believe what you cannot see or experience?"

"How does Jesus' dying help me get to heaven?"

### **Visitation Worship**

Rev. Andrew Lee is offering pastoral visitation (with proper physical distancing) with a short worship service. He will visit your driveway or backyard and share stories, scriptures, hymns, and prayers. If you are comfortable and interested, please contact your church office or Rev. Lee.

### **Frozen Meal Fundraiser**

The Frozen Meal Menu for September and a covering letter have been distributed. Please note that this will be your last opportunity to stock up for the winter months.

### **Quilt Group**

The Quilt group from New Hope has resumed the gathering in-person on Wednesday. If you want to join, please contact the New Hope office (905-738-6446).

### **Offering**

Thank you for sending your offerings to the churches. Your offerings support the ministry of the church and have been much appreciated. Please mail a cheque to your church directly, or make an e-transfer: [kcuc@bellnet.ca](mailto:kcuc@bellnet.ca); [yorkpinesuc@gmail.com](mailto:yorkpinesuc@gmail.com); [newhopeunited@bellnet.ca](mailto:newhopeunited@bellnet.ca).

### **YUM Calendar (August)**

- August 4     Quilt Group (New Hope UC)  
                  King City UC council meeting
- August 5     New Hope UC council meeting
- August 8     On-Site Worship Service resumes at New Hope UC

### **Navy Bike Ride 2021**

Rev. Lee is still inviting YUM congregation members, adherents, and their friends to join and support his unit, HMCS YORK by bike riding. Participation is easy: Create your account of *Race Roaster* and just log your date and kms cycled to the website. Click this link and register

**"<http://raceroster.com/events/2021/36550/navy-bike-ride-2021/register?team=306513>"** and choose **"I am riding for others"** and fill out your home address for your possible order of cycling jersey if needed. By clicking the link above, you will automatically be part of the HMCS YORK team with Rev. Lee. He is shown as Lt(N) KUN YOUNG LEE in the list along with your name. The event starts June 12 and runs through to August 29. Support HMCS YORK. The donation is optional. If you don't want to donate, click the "clear donation" button on the right upper side of the donation page. 100% of your donation will go to Royal Canadian Navy HMCS YORK.

## **Worship Schedule (*Italic - working*)**

	<b>August 8</b>	<b>August 15</b>	<b>August 22</b>	<b>August 29</b>
Preacher	<b>Rev. Andrew Lee</b>	<b>Rick McKinley</b>	<b>Rev. Andrew Lee</b>	<b>Dr. Rev Bill Fritz</b>
Location	New Hope UC	King City UC	York Pines	New Hope
Announcements	Thom Stenson	Sheryl Sinka		
Scripture Reading	Dahlia Buchanan	Maria Ongaro		
Choir	Faith Archer			
Music Director	Sunny Rakovac	Rosemary Karunaratne	Ted Anderson	Sunny Rakovac
Church	<b>Eleventh After Pentecost</b>	<b>Twelfth After Pentecost</b>	<b>Thirteenth After Pentecost</b>	<b>Fourteenth After Pentecost</b>
UCC/YUM Calendar				
Liturgical Color	<b>Red</b>	<b>Red</b>	<b>Red</b>	<b>Red</b>

### **Minute for Mission by Mission & Service**

#### **Thank You for Believing: Arwa's Story**

**We all need someone who believes in us. Someone who supports our dreams. When you give to Mission & Service, you are that someone. Here's one story of how your belief and support make all the difference.**

**Three years ago, Arwa was a Palestinian refugee who had just arrived in Montreal. She had made a harrowing journey, travelling from Saudi Arabia through New York City with three children in tow.**

**"It wasn't easy for me. I was a single mom in a new country with new people. I was struggling for housing and looking for a job. It wasn't easy at all," she says.**

**Arwa sought help at Montreal City Mission, an outreach ministry your Mission & Service gifts support. There, her whole family found belonging. Arwa's children made friends, and she benefitted from training programs and events.**

**Credit: Arwa Nofal**



**It wasn't long before Arwa gathered a group of women together to form a catering cooperative called Women Weaving Their Dreams, which specializes in homemade Middle Eastern meals. The group was going strong and the women were becoming more financially secure when COVID-19 struck.**

**No stranger to hardship, Arwa was determined to help others through the pandemic. She initiated a sewing circle to make masks. The group made over 500 masks a week and distributed them to homeless shelters and frontline workers. "I was so happy to help people," says Arwa, whose extraordinary leadership skills landed her a full-time job at Montreal City Mission.**

**"I consider myself a lucky person that I got to know this organization. It has become not only my full-time job, not only my provider. It has become my home. I hope to see more and more women getting the same chance to have this better life for their families," she says. "I wanted a country that could hold me and hug me my whole life long. I found it in Canada."**

**Your gifts through Mission & Service don't just support dozens of organizations like Montreal City Mission across the country. They also support people's dreams for a better life—amazing people who make their communities and our country stronger.**

**Please give generously through Mission & Service. Show incredible community leaders like Arwa that you believe in them. Thank you for your support.**