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Pentecost 17 – October 2, 2022 – World Communion Sunday

Worship Leader: Rev. Sheena Trotter-Dennis
Music Director: Chellan Hoffman **Knox United Church Choir**
Cantor: Pat Place **Reader:** Pat Place,

We extend a warm welcome to our Knox community – to those who are tuning in to the livestream service from home or away, and to those who are gathered in our sanctuary.

You are an integral part of this community. Thank you for being here.

We are thrilled to welcome musician/composer Jessica McMann to the service this morning. Jessica is an Alberta-based Cree multi-disciplinary artist. Her skill and passion to interweave land, Indigenous identity, history, and language into her dance and music creations have, through hard work and vision, created amazing opportunities and moments. Jessica shares her art through live performances on Turtle Island and across the ocean. Her recent recordings and compositions have garnered significant music awards. Jessica is a collaborator, curator, advisor, innovator, and leader in the greater community.

Please find her complete bio in the Announcements section of this booklet.

GATHERING HYMN SING (congregation remains seated; choir stands)

VU = Voices United (red hymnbook) **MV** = More Voices (coil book)

Come Touch our Hearts **MV 12**

We are Pilgrims on a Journey **VU 595**

WELCOME & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE LAND

PRELUDE Blue Flag Iris, from *Canadian Floral Emblems* Beverley McKiver
Dedicated to the memory of Joyce Echaquan, who died Sept 28, 2020. See **Music Notes**.

CALL TO WORSHIP

O God, you sing us a love song every time we gather,

Every time the bread is broken,

Every time the cup is blessed.

O God, sing to us again.

Let our lives blossom in your love

Till the whole world knows your love song.

(Larry Peacock, Sourcebook of Worship Resources, 1994)

HYMN For the Beauty of the Earth

VU 226

OPENING PRAYER & PASSING OF THE PEACE

SCRIPTURE LESSON

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing food from the first fruits to the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So he repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and have some left.'" He set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the LORD.

Gospel Reading: John 6:1-14

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he

had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world."

REFLECTION More Than Enough

HYMN Amazing Grace

VU 266

THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth. We remember and give thanks that you have created and are creating, drawing us together as one body. On this Worldwide Communion Sunday we give thanks for all those around the world joining together at this banquet table - united across borders and across time zones. We give thanks for this witness of unity and solidarity.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution (The Last Supper)

Holy are you, and blessed is your child, Jesus Christ – the one who preached good news, proclaimed liberty to the oppressed and taught us how to love one another.

We remember that it was around a table that Jesus gathered his disciples during his last week of life. Jesus reminded them of the work that he had done – how he had fed the hungry, included the outcast, performed miracles and challenged the status quo. He reminded them that God’s vision was about forgiveness and loving our neighbours as ourselves.

And, as they sat and ate and remembered, Jesus took the bread that they were eating – and he gave thanks, he broke the bread, gave it to everyone gathered around the Table, and said, “take and eat – this is my body, broken for you. Whenever you eat of this bread, remember me.”

And then he took the wine that they were drinking – and he gave thanks for the wine, gave it to those gathered around the Table and said, “this is my cup – poured out for you - whenever you drink this, remember that you are loved and you are forgiven.”

As we remember and give thanks, we pray we might also join God’s work of reconciliation and forgiveness, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

**Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here today, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us signs of God’s love and forgiveness. Transform our lives that we may also be a sign of that love and forgiveness in our homes, in our neighbourhoods, and in the world. Amen.

And now, with the confidence of children of God, we are bold to pray...

The Lord's Prayer (spoken)

Our Father (Mother), 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and glory forever. Amen.

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The cup of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The Lord's Supper

Music during Communion: **Stay With Us** (dedicated to those affected by Hurricane Fiona)

- 1. Stay with us through the night. Stay with us through the pain.
Stay with us, blessed stranger till the morning breaks again.*
- 2. Stay with us through the night. Stay with us through the grief.
Stay with us, blessed stranger till the morning brings relief.*
- 3. Stay with us through the night. Stay with us through the dread.
Stay with us, blessed stranger till the morning breaks new bread.*

Prayer After Communion

For the bread we have eaten.

For the cup we have shared.

For the strength we have received.

We give thanks.

May we go into the world in the strength of these gifts,

To work for peace, to seek out justice, to heal the world. Amen.

CANDLELIGHTING / OFFERING

At this time, you are invited to light a candle at the front of the Sanctuary.

Candles are lit as a symbol of remembrance, celebration, gratitude, prayer.

Please take this opportunity to make an offering online or in person at the candle table.

Your financial support makes a huge difference in the future of Knox.

Music: Song for the 751

- composed and performed by Jessica McMann, flute. Please see Music Notes.

CLOSING HYMN Let there be Light VU 679

THE BLESSING

POSTLUDE Siyahamba (Zulu folksong/South African hymn) arr. John Behnke
“We are walking in the light of God”

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*Thank you for spending time in community worship at Knox United Church, Calgary.
May you feel God’s peace, care, energy, and blessing
within you and around you this coming week.*

Please stay for coffee, tea, and conversation!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE WELCOME

Rev. Sheena Trotter-Dennis

Good News - The Rev. Sheena Trotter-Dennis will be doing pulpit supply at Knox for the month of October. Sheena is an ordained minister in the United Methodist Church USA. She served on the staff at Hillhurst United Church and has done pulpit supply in other surrounding congregations, including Grace Presbyterian Church and Ralph Connor Memorial United Church in Canmore. Sheena and her husband, Pete, are raising two teenagers, Katherine and Lauren.

September 30, Orange Shirt Day – this is a day to honour and uphold survivors and intergenerational survivors of the Indian residential school system, and to commemorate those who didn’t return home. The significance of wearing an orange shirt comes from the story of Phyllis Webstad. As a little girl, her grandmother bought her an orange shirt to wear for her first day of school. As soon as Phyllis got to the school, the teachers took her shirt and all her belongings and destroyed them.

KNOX TOWN HALL FORUMS

Finance & Stewardship Program - *Sunday, October 2nd, 11:45 am* - with Convener Jo-Anne Willment and planning team. Please join us in the Boardroom

Mission & Visioning Team – Listening campaigns will be scheduled for small groups over the next few weeks. Sign up for an in-person or Zoom session on Sunday after the service or by sending an email to kxcalgary@gmail.com. The first in-person session will be held on Sunday October 2 beginning at 11:45 am. Please join us in the library.

MUSIC NOTES

PRELUDE: Blue Flag Iris is by Beverley McKiver (Anishinaabe composer/musician) living in Ottawa. The Blue Flag Iris is the floral emblem of Québec. McKiver dedicated this piece to “Joyce” – **Joyce Echaquan. September 28** marks the second anniversary of the death of this 37-year-old mother from the Atikamekw Nation – who gained national and global attention when she livestreamed her final moments as she lay dying in a Joliette, Québec hospital, recording racial slurs hurled at her from the hospital health staff. We remember Joyce, her beloved children and husband through this music.

MUSIC DURING CANDLELIGHTING: “*Song for the 751*” by Jessica McMann. In June 2021, Chief Cadmus Delorme of Cowessess First Nation announced to Canada that 751 unmarked graves had been found at the site of the former Marieval Indian Residential School (1899-1997), in Saskatchewan. Jessica is from Cowessess – her connections run deep.

GUEST MUSICIAN JESSICA McMANN

Jessica McMann is an Alberta-based Cree (Cowessess First Nation, Saskatchewan), multi-disciplinary artist. She interweaves land, Indigenous identity, history, and language throughout her dance and music creation/performance practice. A classically trained flutist, she holds a Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Calgary and an MFA in Contemporary Arts from Simon Fraser University. Her work fuses together traditional language and dance with her own contemporary experiences as an Indigenous woman and Two-Spirit person.

Partaking in an artist-in-residence program at the Banff Centre (2019) resulted in the Indigenous-Classical album *Incandescent Tales* which was released in June of 2021. This album was recorded in collaboration with pianist Beverley McKiver and violinist Karen Shepherd, and produced by Laura Vinson, all Indigenous women. She is currently working on her second album slated to be released mid-2023.

Her musical, composition, and soundscape work focuses on land-based creation and ideas of

connection, disconnection, and home. "Too Good; That MAY Be", an immersive soundscape performance was shown at the Urban Shaman Gallery in Winnipeg as part of "The 60's Scoop; A Place Between" in 2017. Her compositions include *Muskwa's Mountain Home* (2021), *Inni* (2018) and soundscapes including *beguiling (the)the land* (2020).

Jessica has played and performed venues and festivals across Canada, as well as toured in Sweden, Netherlands, and Belgium. She has created soundtracks for the ITWE Collective, performed with the Ambrose University Chamber Orchestra and the Foothills Philharmonic Orchestra in Alberta, and was a guest musician for Arcade Fire at the JUNOs. She has performed regularly with Laura Vinson and the Free Spirit as a dancer and musician.

Jessica McMann was nominated for the Western Canadian Music Awards Indigenous Artist of the Year 2022, and has won the following awards:

Global Music Awards 2022, Gold Medal: Indigenous Classical & Emerging Artist, Silver Medal: Composition, YYC Music Awards: Classical Album of the Year 2022

Jessica currently resides in Cochrane, Alberta, where she works for the City of Calgary as Curator of Indigenous Art. She is also co-founder and co-director of [Wild Mint Arts](#), an Indigenous arts company, and is a Laureate of the Hnatyshyn Foundation REVEAL Indigenous Art Awards (2017).

Bio taken from www.jessicamcmann.com

THE KNOX COMMUNITY

EVENTS

Monday, October 3, @ 7:30 pm – “RING OUT!” is Calgary’s Handbell Celebration Concert featuring local handbell groups, including our own Knox Ringers.
Location: Fish Creek United Church, 77 Deerpoint Road SE.

Friday, October 28, @ 8:00 pm – Knox & RCCO Calgary co-present their annual Halloween event:

Great Halloween Organ Spookacular

Featuring the original 1925 Silent Movie - “Phantom of the Opera”
– organist Ed Norman from Galliano Island, BC –

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Caretaking help

Our caretaker Jampa has gone above and beyond duty by single-handedly caring for our church since March 2020. Now that renters are returning after a long absence, it is harder to keep up. Until we can rehire our caretaking staff, assistance is required with tasks like vacuuming, cleaning bathrooms, sweeping, and washing floors. **Are you able to help out for even just a few hours? Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.** Looking forward to hearing from you. Call Sue in the Knox Office at 403-269-8382 or email sforsyth@kxcalgary.com.

Treasurer

Opportunity Knox continues to search for a Treasurer. The Treasurer is the primary financial officer who oversees budgeting, the month-to-month financial health of the church and is a member of the Board.

If you are interested in the role, please contact Sue in the office by phoning 403-269-8382 or emailing sforsyth@kxcalgary.com.

Did you Know?

Bottle Recycling – Did you know we have a bottle recycling program? Bottles are collected and exchanged for cash. So far this year we have raised over \$400. Please help to keep Knox's lights shining bright - bring in your bottles and put them in the bin outside the office.

Knox Newsletter – The October newsletter is out! Look for it in your email or snail mail. Please contact Sue in the office if you don't receive a copy. There will be printed copies available next Sunday.

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