

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

St. Andrew's United Church, Chatham

Sunday September 5, 2010 at 10:30 am

*St. Andrew's United Church is a family that celebrates
God's presence through people, worship, music and outreach*

WE GATHER

*the asterisk invites you to rise

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Susan Brooks

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

*HYMN **312** "Praise With Joy"

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)

God's Spirit calls to our spirits,

inviting us to worship.

God's Spirit calls to our spirits,

inviting us by love.

God's Spirit calls to our spirits,

calling us by name,

calling us to grow in faith,

calling us to be made new.

Come, let us worship God, open to God's new design.

OPENING PRAYER (*in unison*)

We come to worship you, gracious God,

as you welcome us in this time of worship.

You welcome young and old,

all seeking your presence,

all hopeful of something new.

You welcome newcomers and long-time members;

in the familiar sounds of praise and prayer,

with a fresh call to a new celebration of faith.

You welcome us all, welcoming God,

all seeking to be reshaped

all invited to follow you. Amen.

*HYMN 376

“Spirit of the Living God”

CHILDREN’S SHARING TIME and the Lord’s Prayer **914 VU**

WE ENGAGE AND RESPOND

SCRIPTURE Jeremiah 18: 1-11

RESPONSIVE PSALM Psalm 139 VU 861

SCRIPTURE Luke 14: 25-33

REFLECTION “A Work in Progress” - *Rev. Curtis Marwood*

*HYMN 561 “Take Up Your Cross”

WE WORSHIP WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “Variations on Amazing Grace” Denys Bedard

*OFFERTORY PRAYER **544** Voices United (Sung to tune VU507)

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.

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE GO FORTH INVITING OTHERS

*COMMISSIONING AND BLESSING (*responsive*)

Go with the freshness of God’s love.

**Renewed and re-shaped by God’s Spirit,
we are God’s people in the world.**

The love of God,

The peace of Christ

The power of the Spirit be with you.

And with all God’s people.

*HYMN 506

“Take My Life And Let It Be”

POSTLUDE