



OUR MISSION

TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE BY LIVING THE TEACHINGS OF JESUS:

> showing mercy, promoting justice, offering forgiveness, acceptance, and hope.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP Sunday, February 23, 2020

Ahh...Cuba!

with

Rev Sandra Cox



Our vision...

We the congregation of Knox United Church publicly

proclaim our commitment in becoming an open and welcoming community of faith. We are declaring we are welcoming to everyone regardless of age, race, ability, sexual orientation, and gender identity.

Everyone is welcome here.

Through the process of honouring diversity and challenging injustice with those who bear the weight of discrimination, we commit ourselves to openness, growth, education, love, and acceptance.

(** indicates rising in body or spirit as you are able) (The congregation reads together the words in bold print).

Gathering Music: MV 116 The Thirsty Deer - led by SpiritSong

(the congregation is invited to sing along at the refrain)

Welcome: ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE.

ALL ARE WELCOME BY GOD'S GRACE.

Lighting of the Affirmation Candle

Lighting of the Christ Candle - Children, please come forward during the song.

Singing: SA 76 This Little Light of Mine

Children's Church:

**Call to Worship:

Within my body lives a tie to something greater than me.

Within me exists a song written by the Creator.

I long to sing it.

We sing to God, the Spirit moving in the human heart.

We sing to God, the Spirit faithful, untameable.

We sing to God, the Holy Mystery that is Wholly Love.

Let us sing and praise, give and receive.

Let us worship the Lord this day.

**Opening Prayer in unison

May the God of peace and justice be with us in this hour of worship. May the God of reconciliation and harmony be our guide and comfort. Let this time of praise and prayer be an opportunity to be at one with God, for God's steadfast love endures forever. Amen

**Singing: MV 2 Uyai Mose (Come, All You People)

Announcements

Minute for Mission

Offering Invitation

Music during the Offering: VU 708 My Lord, What a Mornin'

**Offertory Response: VU 575 (I'm Gonna' Live So) God Can Use Me

**Offering Dedication

<u>Singing</u>: Kumbaya (we will sing this by rote)

~ by the Gullah-Geechee peoples of coastal Georgia/South Carolina

Prayers of the People

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Ministry of Music: Goin' to Live with God

(City Called Heaven/Soon I Will Be Done)

- offered by Knox Choir - arranged by John Purifoy

<u>Scripture</u>: Luke 9:28-43 ~ Jean Collier

The Word of God for the People of God

Thanks be to God

Message: Ahh...Cuba! Rev. Sandra Cox

**Singing: VU 646 Siyahamba (We Are Marching)

**Blessing

**Parting Song: VU 646 Siyahamba (We Are Marching)

<u>Postlude</u>

Thank you to guest musicians Michael Butz & Nick Murray for joining us today. ~

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