

**Order of Worship**  
**Friendship United Methodist Church**  
**Sunday, January 17, 2021**

*Please turn off the internet connection on your cell phones.*

**Gathering** **“This Is The Day”**  
**Greeting/Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship** **from Psalm 139**

**L:** O Lord, you have searched us and known us.

**P:** *You know when we sit down and when we rise up;  
you discern our thoughts from far away.*

**L:** You search out our path and are acquainted with all our ways.

**P:** *Such knowledge is too wonderful for us;  
it is so high that we cannot attain it.*

**All:** *O come, let us worship the all-knowing Lord!*

**\*Opening Prayer** **Shirley Waldrum**

**\*Hymn of Praise** **UMH #419**

**“I Am Thine O Lord”**

*I am thine, O Lord, I have heard thy voice, and it told thy love to me;  
but I long to rise in the arms of faith and be closer drawn to thee.*

*Refrain:*

*Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
to the cross where thou hast died.*

*Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,  
to thy precious, bleeding side.*

*Consecrate me now to thy service, Lord, by the power of grace divine;  
let my soul look up with a steadfast hope, and my will be lost in thine.*  
*(Refrain)*

*O the pure delight of a single hour that before thy throne I spend,  
when I kneel in prayer; and with thee, my God, I commune as friend  
with friend! (Refrain)*

*There are depths of love that I cannot know  
till I cross the narrow sea;  
there are heights of joy that I may not reach  
till I rest in peace with thee. (Refrain)*

**\*Affirmation of Faith** **UMH #883**

**“A Statement of Faith – The United Church of Canada”**

*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 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.*

**\*Gloria Patri** **UMH # 70**

**Scripture Reading** **John 1:43-51**

*The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, “Follow me.” Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.” Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, “Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!” Nathanael asked him, “Where did you get to know me?” Jesus answered, “I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.” Nathanael replied,*

*“Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!”  
Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw  
you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.”  
And he said to him, “Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven  
opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the  
Son of Man.”*

**Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings**

**Debra Jackson**

**\*The Doxology**

**UMH # 95**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him, all creatures here below  
Praise him, above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

**Children’s Time**

**Roy Spore**

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns/Pastoral Prayer/Lord’s Prayer**

*(During this time, the congregation is invited to offer up their concerns  
for others by speaking their name or by typing it into the “chat” box on  
Facebook. Please offer only their first name to protect their privacy.)*

**Hymn**

**UMH #128**

***“He Leadeth Me”***

*He leadeth me: O blessed thought!  
O words with heavenly comfort fraught!  
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,  
still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.*

*Refrain:*

*He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me;  
his faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.*

*Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom,  
sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,  
by waters still, o'er troubled sea,  
still 'tis his hand that leadeth me. [Refrain]*

*Lord, I would place my hand in thine,  
nor ever murmur nor repine;  
content, whatever lot I see,  
since 'tis my God that leadeth me. [Refrain]*

*And when my task on earth is done,  
when by thy grace the victory's won,  
e'en death's cold wave I will not flee,  
since God through Jordan leadeth me. [Refrain]*

**Hymn of Preparation**

**UMH # 328**

***“Surely the Presence of Lord”***

*Surely the Presence of the Lord is in this place  
I can feel his mighty power and his grace  
I can hear the brush of angel's wings, I see  
glory on each face, surely the presence of  
the Lord is in this place.*

**Message**

**Roy Spore**

***“Greater Things”***

**Hymn of Discipleship**

**UMH #451**

***“Be Thou My Vision”***

*Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art.  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.*

*Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;  
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord.  
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.*

*Great God of heaven, my victory won  
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

**Benediction**