

Welcome to Highland Games Sunday, September 3, 2023
Ralph Connor Memorial United Church
Worshipping in Canmore

Minister – Rev Greg Wooley
Pianist– Tanya Sullivan (welcome back!)
Worship Leader – Ian Schofield

(background: Clan Cameron Ancient Tartan – from ScotCLANS)



Hymn: More Voices #42 “Praise God for This Holy Ground”

By John L. Bell
born in **Kilmarnock**

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**1. Praise God for this holy ground,
place and people, sight and sound.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
God's goodness is eternal.**

**2. Praise God in whose word we find
food for body, soul and mind.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
God's goodness is eternal.**

**3. Praise God who
through Christ makes known
all are loved and called God's own.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
God's goodness is eternal.**

4. Praise God's Spirit who befriends,
Raises, humbles, breaks and mends.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
God's goodness is eternal.

5. Though praise ends, praise is begun
where God's will is gladly done.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
God's goodness is eternal.

-end-

Chant (*seated*): MV #85
“Take, O Take Me as I Am”

By John L. Bell
and **Graham Maule,**
born in Glasgow

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Take, O take me as I am;
summon out what I shall be;
set your seal upon my heart
and live in me.
(repeat)



**UNITED CHURCH of
CANADA
formed 1925**

Crest approved 1944

Hymn: Voices United #567
**“Will You Come
and Follow Me”**

from The Iona Community

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**1. Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?**

**Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?**

**Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you
and you in me?**

2. Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?

Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?

Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare?

Will you let me answer prayer in you
and you in me?

3. Will you let the blinded see
if I but call your name?

Will you set the prisoners free
and never be the same?

Will you kiss the leper clean,
and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you
and you in me?

4. Will you love the “you” you hide
if I but call your name?

Will you quell the fear inside
and never be the same?

Will you use the faith you’ve found
to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound
in you and you in me?

5. Christ, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you
and you in me.

-end-

Offertory Hymn: VU #515
“Holy Spirit, Source of Love”
(verse 1, tune “Dix – VU 81”)

Words: William Dalrymple
Maclagan, born in Edinburgh

~Music: Conrad Kocher~

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1. Holy Spirit, source of love,
who, to us, came from above,
gifts of blessing to bestow
on your waiting church below:
once again in love draw near
to your servants gathered here.

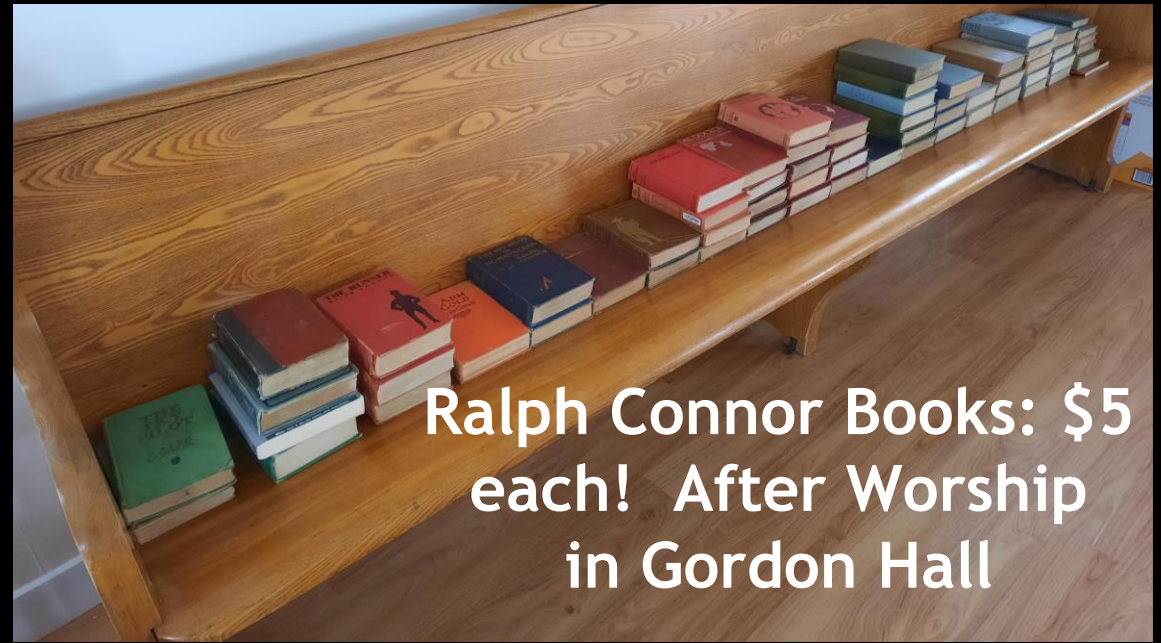
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Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Creator, 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. And lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

Announcements



Ralph Connor Books: \$5
each! After Worship
in Gordon Hall

- > Canmore Heritage Festival is **next Saturday**
- > **Next Sunday**: Sacrament of Communion, 10 AM
here in Canmore
- > Also **next Sunday**, Celebration of Life for Pat
Ritchie, 2 PM at the Malcolm

Closing Hymn:
Voices United #240
**“Praise, My Soul, the God of
Heaven”**

Lyrics by Henry Francis Lyte
– born in Ednam

& the Ecumenical Women’s Centre
music by John Goss

basic words and tune: Public Domain



1. 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.

**2. 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.**

**3. Like a loving parent caring,
God knows well our feeble frame;
gladly all our burdens bearing,
still to countless years the same.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
All within me, praise God's name!**

4. 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.

5. 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 me the God of grace!

-end-

Commissioning and Benediction

Sung Amen: Voices United # 974

~ Jim Strathee ~

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Amen! Amen! Hallelujah, Amen!
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Followed by Moment of Reflection & Postlude