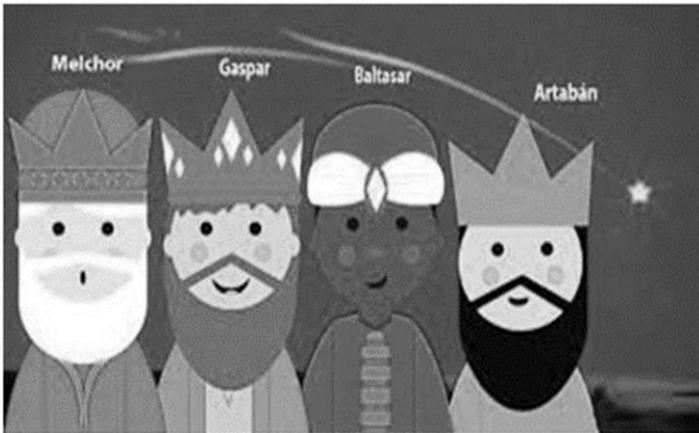


# Martin Grove United Church

where worship leads to service



**“Lessons from the 4<sup>th</sup> Wise Man”**

**Judith Dallimore  
November 19, 2023**

## **Welcome to Worship!**

*VU refers to Voices United, MV refers to More Voices*

**\*Indicates an invitation to stand - in body, or in spirit**

**Chime Prelude: Allan Jones**

**Prelude: “Sweet hour of prayer”** *By William B. Bradbury, Arr  
by Martha Mier* (Elaine Weimer)

*Please take this time to quietly prepare your heart, body & mind for  
worship.*

**Minister’s Welcome**

**Lighting the Christ Candle**

**\*Opening Hymn: VU 371 “Open my eyes, that I may  
see”** *By Clara H. Scott*

**Announcements** (Marilyn Coombs)

**Call to Worship**

**Prayer of Approach**

**Time of Personal Prayer: “Berceuse”** *By Anonymous*

**Words of Assurance**

**Choir Anthem: “This is my story, this is my song!”** *By  
Don Besig & Nancy Price*

**Scripture: Psalm 91:1-8** (Joan Carr)

**Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11**

**Song of Reflection: “Be Thou my vision”** *Traditional Irish tune, Arr by Philip Keveren*

**Scripture: Matthew 25:14-30** (David Dallimore)

**Reflection: “Lessons from the 4<sup>th</sup> Wise Man”**  
(Judith Dallimore)

**Invitation to Offering**

**\*Offering Hymn: VU 540 “Grant us God the grace”** *By Anonymous*

**\*Offering Prayer**

**Lighting of the Prayer Candle**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**\*Closing Hymn: VU 646 “We are marching (Siyahamba)”** *South African traditional song*

**\*Commissioning and Benediction**

**\*Sung Blessing: “Go now in peace”** *By Don Besig & Nancy Price*

**Postlude: “Wonderful words of life”** *By Philip P. Bliss, Arr by Carol Tornquist*  
(Elaine Weimer)

"We acknowledge that our sacred space is found on the indigenous territories of the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishinabe, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Huron -Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Metis. With gratitude and respect for their stewardship of creation, we seek to live into right relations with all."

**Events & Reminders**

**TODAY – Bake Sale (after church) – 11:30am**

**Nov 26 – Christmas VISTA orders due**

**Dec 3 (Advent 1) – Christmas Carol Hymn Sing – 10:30am**

**Dec 10 (Advent 2) – White Gifts & Handbells – 10:30am**

**Unwrapped \$10 Gift Exchange – 11:30am**

**Dec 17 (Advent 3) – Holy Communion – 10:30am**

**Christmas Concert (Guest Performers) 3pm**

**Dec 24 (Advent 4) – Handbells – 10:30am**

**Candlelight service – 7:00pm**

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