

# Martin Grove United Church

where worship leads to service

13<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost



**Sermon Series Week 3**  
**“Compassion”**

**Rev. Dr. Rick Tamas**  
**August 25, 2024**

## **Welcome to Worship!**

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

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

**Prelude: “Softly and Tenderly”** *By Mark Hayes*

**Minister’s Welcome**

**Announcements**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**\*Opening Hymn: VU227 “For the Fruit of All Creation”** *Words by Fred Pratt Green, Music Welsh folk melody*

**Call to Worship**

**Prayer of Approach**

**Song of Personal Prayer: “’Tis the Blessed Hour of Prayer”** *by May F. Lawrence* (Elaine Weimer)

**Words of Assurance**

**Choir Anthem: “My Saviour”** *By Don Besig and Nancy Price*

**First Scripture: 1 Kings 8:22-26** (Tina Klein)

**Second Scripture: Psalm 84**

**Song of Reflection: “Shall We Gather at the River”** *By Robert Lowry, Arr by Joel Raney* (Elaine Weimer)

**Third Scripture: Ephesians 6:10-20**

**Reflection: Week 3 - Sermon Series: “Compassion”**

**Invitation to Offering**

**\*Offering Hymn: MV 191 “What Can I Do?”** *By Paul Rumbolt, Arr by Alan C. Whitmore*

**\*Offering Prayer**

**Lighting of the Prayer Candle**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord’s Prayer**

**\*Closing Hymn: VU 586 “We Shall Go Out with Hope of Resurrection”** *Words by June Boyce-Tillman, Music Traditional Irish melody, Arr by John Barnard*

**\*Commissioning** (Tina Klein)

**\*Benediction**

**\*Sung Blessing: VU 420 (vs. 2) “Go to the World”** *Words by Sylvia Dunstan, Music by Ralph Vaughan Williams*

**Postlude: “Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”** *Spiritual, Arr by John Thompson*

**Today is week 3 of Sermon Series – “Compassion”**  
**5 week series titles:**  
**Patience, Joy, Compassion, Courage and Calm**

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."

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**Red Cup Challenge**  
**Pick up your cup today!**

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