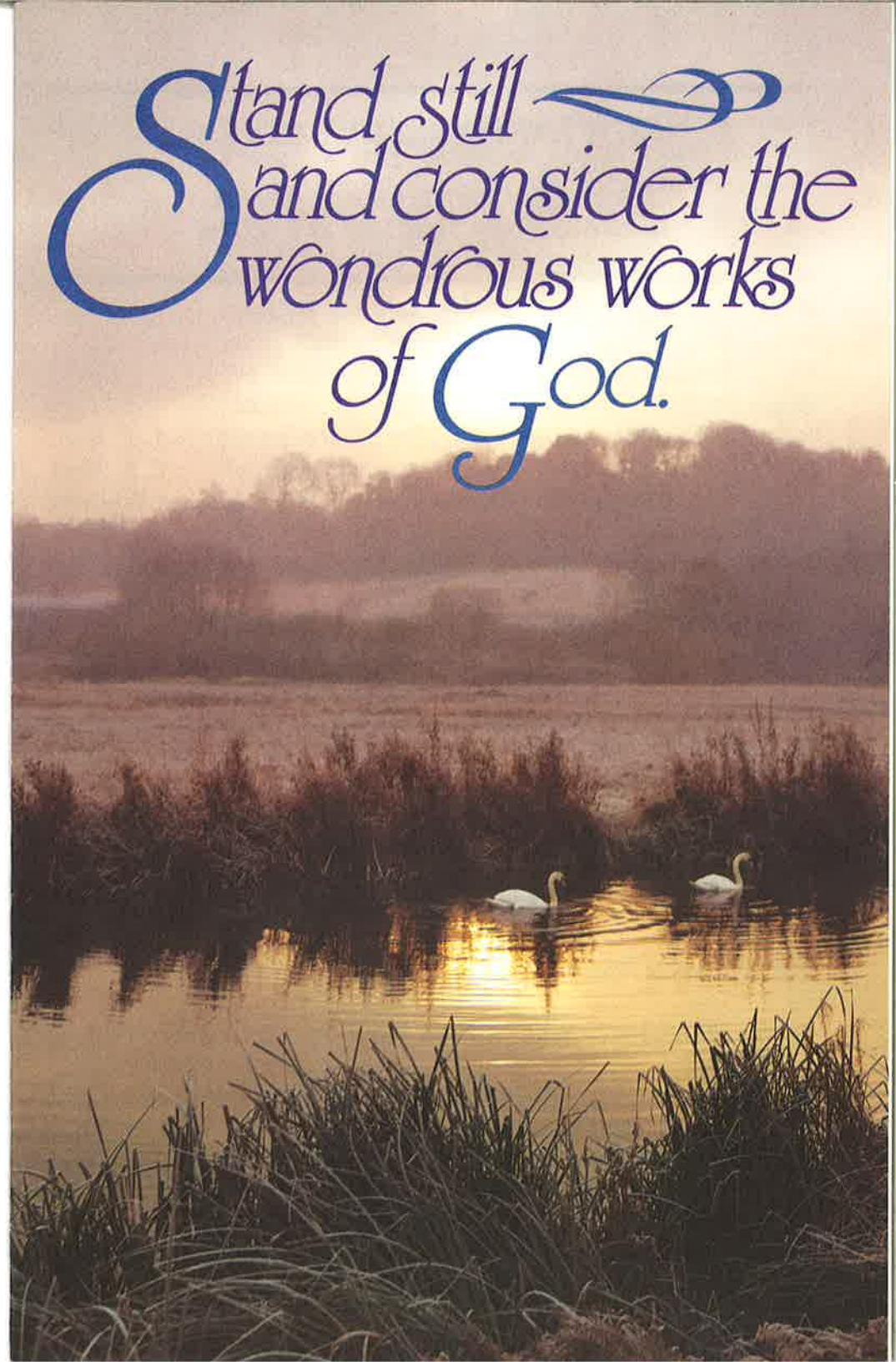


Stand still
and consider the
wondrous works
of God.



100TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

THE TORONTO UNITED CHURCH COUNCIL
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH 1992 AT 3:00 P.M.
METROPOLITAN UNITED CHURCH, TORONTO

* Indicates where people stand

GATHERING

Organ Preludes

Fugue in E-flat Major	J. S. Bach
Adagio	J. S. Bach
Prelude on "Rhosymedre"	R. Vaughan Williams

Introit O Come, Ye Servants of the Lord Christopher Tye

The Call To Worship (Malcolm Sinclair)

One: One generation shall laud thy works to another
Response: and shall declare thy mighty acts.
One: We shall say, "Our help is in the name of God
who made heaven and earth".
Response: O give thanks to God, for God is good. The
steadfast love of God endures forever.

* *Processional Hymn 133* O God, Our Help in Ages Past

The Invocation Prayer

Prayer of Confession (said by all)

We confess, O God, that we have sinned. Even as we remember past faithfulness and service this day, we know, too, that we have failed you. We have been cautious when sometimes we should have been adventurous. We have scorned old ways simply because they were old and experimented with new ways simply because they were new, failing in discernment. We have complained at sacrifice and sought

easier ways. We have not cared as fully or as wisely as we might. Even as we remember the past, we cry out for understanding and seek the vision of what we might be in future days. O God, we need your help and ask for it in the name of Jesus Christ. AMEN.

Assurance of Pardon

* *A Doxology* (Tune: Lasst uns erfreuen)

Praise God, the Giver and the Gift.
Hearts, minds and voices now' uplift:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Breath of glad surprise,
freeing, uplifting, opening eyes,
Three-in-Oneness, Love communing,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Brian Wren

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* *Hymn* Through the Heart of Every City (Tune: Abbott's Leigh
[#88])

Through the heart of every city
runs the flow of human need.
'Mid this glass and steel are pulsing
smoldering wick and bruised reed.
Has our church a word to offer,
some hope shining from our creed?
Walking through the concrete furrows
Jesus sows the word as seed.

Through the passing generation,
in the spirit, flesh and bone,
Jesus Christ becomes incarnate:
holy hearts are living stone
building here a house of refuge
as a temple, as a home.
So within the city's shadow
Jesus' planted word has grown.

Through our worship and our witness,
Jesus, grant that we may still
hear the heartbeat of compassion
calling us to do your will.
You, our vine, and we, your branches
deadened not by any chill,
working for that final city
where the harvest is fulfilled.

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THE WORD

A Brief History of The Toronto United Church Council (Ralph Mills)

First Lesson Habakkuk 1.1-3 2.1-4 (Robert K. Leland)

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

Second Lesson 2 Timothy 3.14-4.5 (Albion Wright)

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord

Response: Thanks be to God

A Reflection (Lillian Perigoe)

* *Psalm 119.137-44*

Antiphon (Congregation and Choir)

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp). The first staff contains the melody for the words "You are right- eous O God, and your". The second staff contains the melody for the words "judg- ments are right". The lyrics are written below the notes.

Verse: (choir)

You are righteous, O Lord, and your judgments are right. You have appointed your decrees in righteousness and in all faithfulness.

My zeal consumes me because my foes forget your words. Your promise is well tried, and your servant loves it.

Antiphon: (all)

Verse: I am small and despised, yet I do not forget your precepts. Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, and your law is the truth. Trouble and anguish have come upon me, but your commandments are my delight. Your decrees are righteous forever, give me understanding that I may live.

Antiphon: (all)

The Gloria Patri: (choir)

Glory be to God, and to the Son,

and to the Holy Spirit,

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever,
World without end. Amen.

Antiphon: (all)

Anthem O How Amiable Are Thy Dwellings

- Ralph Vaughan Williams

* *The Gospel* Luke 18.1-8 (Dorothy Birnie)

* Lector: This is the Gospel of Christ

* Response: Praise be to you O Christ.

A Reflection (Kate Galea)

* *Hymn 205* Thank You, O Lord, for the Time That Is Now

THE RESPONSE

Welcome and Announcements (Alastair Grant)

Offertory Anthem With a Voice of Singing Martin Shaw

* *Reception Of The Offering* (Prayer of Dedication said by all)

You have blessed us O God;
how bountiful are your gifts.
Bless now that which we return to you
that through it we may serve you and your creation
and reveal your love.
In Jesus name we pray. AMEN.

A Litany Of Thanksgiving (Robert Wylie)

One: We give you thanks, O God, for all those whose work
in your name has brought us to this hour of celebration
and commitment.

People : **We praise you, O God, for all who have gone before
us in faith and hope.**

One: We remember those who came together in 1892 to form
the Methodist Social Union of Toronto and worked to
address immense social problems brought about by the
city's rapid growth.

People: **We praise you, O God, for those who heard the
cries of people in pain. Help us also to hear them.**

One: We remember the work of the Toronto Church
Extension Council and Mission Union, created by a
young United Church to carry on its home mission
among the refugees and immigrants, the homeless and
the hungry in the downtown core, and to extend your
church into burgeoning suburbs.

People: **We praise you, O God, for those whose arms
reached out to those in need. Help us also to reach
out.**

One: We remember those whose vision steered the church
through a long period of church extension, who
tramped through fields searching for sites, who planned
and sweated and sang and prayed through the
excitement of new building.

People: **We praise you, O God, for those whose vision
inspired your church as it grew throughout this
area. Help us to be open to glimpses of your future.**

One: We remember the work of the Toronto United Church
Council, its staff and directors working with five
presbyteries to offer resources to carry out the work of
outreach ministry, to assist congregations, and to find
new expressions of ministry for our time.

People: **We praise you, O God, for those whose work and
talents have enabled us to find new forms of
ministry. Help us also to find fresh ways of being
faithful.**

One: Faithful God, you call us to continue the work of these
forebears, to participate in the creation of a new reality
in this city you have helped us to construct.

People: **We praise you, O God. Help us to rededicate our
energy, our time, and our commitment to you,
abiding in Christ as branches that bear fruit. In
Jesus' name. AMEN.**

Prayers of Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

* *Hymn 282* I Feel the Winds of God Today

* *Commissioning and Benediction*

Postlude - Toccata from Symphony V

C. M. Widor

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The offering will be shared equally amongst

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Ms. Kate Crawford Galea	New Director T.U.C.C.
Mr. Alastair Grant	President T.U.C.C.
Rev. Albion Wright	Former Executive Secretary T.U.C.C.
Rev. Robert Leland	Executive Secretary T.U.C.C.
Rev. Lillian Perigoe	Director T.U.C.C.
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Dr. Patricia Phillips	Organist Metropolitan United Church
Dr. Malcolm Sinclair	Minister Metropolitan United Church
Mr. Robert Wylie	Former President T.U.C.C.

Organists and Choir Directors:

Ethel Albert, Thornhill United Church; Lydia Pedersen, Royal York Road United Church; Dr. Patricia Phillips, Metropolitan United Church; Dr. Mark Toews, Lawrence Park Community Church

Members of the Choirs of:

Lawrence Park (Don Valley), Metropolitan (Toronto south), Royal York Road (Toronto West), Thornhill (York), and Zion-Wexford (Scarborough) and choristers from other choirs who have joined them.

Our thanks for the gracious and generous assistance of Metropolitan United Church and its staff.

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