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Prelude
Words of Welcome

Call to Worship from Psalm 117: (spoken together)

**PRAISE THE LORD, ALL NATIONS!
PRAISE GOD, ALL PEOPLES!
HIS LOVE FOR US IS STRONG
AND HIS FAITHFULNESS IS ETERNAL.
PRAISE THE LORD!**

Prayer of Approach

Hymn **Love Lifted Me*

Prayer For Pardon:

Merciful One, our hearts long for your forgiveness. Touch us with your healing, cleanse us of our guilt, renew our spirits, that we may serve you with joy all our days. Amen.

Scripture: Genesis 1 (from The Family Story Bible)
Responsive Reading - ***Psalm 139**

Announcements & Sharing
***Affirmation of Faith**

Hymn ***Faith of Our Fathers**

Scripture: John 1:6-14
 Luke 22:56-62

Message "Right Relations"

Special Music

Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer ("trespasses")

Offering

Prayer of Dedication:

We bring our gifts to you, God. Here is the work of our hands, and here is the love of our hearts. Accept them and use them, we pray. In Jesus' name we ask it. Amen.

Hymn *Blessed Assurance

Benediction

Postlude



*A cordial welcome is extended to all who have come to visit and worship in this historic **Little White Church**.*

The offering was collected by young descendants of original church members. Eric, Rachel and Tania Gilmartin are the grandchildren of Lyman A. Roberts.

Special thanks to Lorne Schiller and the Mount Royal Commemorative Services for their donation of flowers for today's anniversary service.

Following the service, there will be light refreshment provided through the efforts of Jean Pycock and the volunteers who so kindly contribute to the table.

Much appreciation to Doug Findlay for his assistance in preparing a website for the Church at : www.littlewhitechurch.ca

Please make sure you have signed our guest book at the entrance of the Church – don't forget your email address!

We appreciate your support and look forward to seeing you again next year!



The countdown begins to the Little White Church's 180th birthday!

As a special treat to honour this occasion, the Committee would like to gather as many photos, faces, names and stories of people who have celebrated at this Church, to prepare a tribute that will be presented at next year's service.

So have a look in your albums and find any pictures that you might have to share. It could be as formal as a wedding, as casual as a quick visit to the church – or perhaps a photo of some relatives gathering around the family stone. If you don't have such a shot – today would be the day to take one! Whether your family has long roots in this church, or if you are a recent participant in our celebrations – we'd love to include as many people as possible.

Any thoughts or wishes you might like to contribute to this special anniversary would also be appreciated. Roberta Roberts is compiling this information, and you can email her at :

roberts@littlewhitechurch.ca

If you would be interested in helping with this special celebration, please do not hesitate to come forward.

Thank you for your continued support and participation in the Russeltown Flatts Church Anniversary service.

Gregg Edwards

Jean Pycock

Russeltown Flatts Church and Cemetery Committee