

Église Unie Summerlea United Church

Sunday, November 19 2023 dimanche, 19 novembre

25TH AFTER PENTECOST – CHILDREN'S SUNDAY

Welcome to our community as we worship together.

Bienvenue à l'Église Summerlea. Venez nous rejoindre pour les rafraîchissements dans la salle de l'église ce matin, après le service.

Please join us for fellowship hour in the church hall following the service.

There are no visitors here, for we are all part of the family of God.

Summerlea United Church is located on land that has long served as a site of meeting and exchange amongst Indigenous peoples and nations. We honor, recognize, and respect these nations as the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we meet today.

WE GATHER

Prelude "Simple Gifts" *by Russell Schulz-Widmar*

Introit

Welcome and Announcements

May the loving power of God, the grace of the Holy Spirit, and the love of Christ be with you at all times.

And also, with you.

Call to Worship

Bring today to this church all your joys and hopes and worries and come as you are.

We are blessed and welcome by the Holy Spirit who enables us to praise our Creating God.

And God keeps creating, at all times, at every second and every iota of time.

God creates in love and with love.

Do you understand how important you are? How unique you are?

Our heart is turned towards a forgiving God of mercy and peace.

And we are instruments of God's peace. Let us pray
Amen.

together today in this place.

Opening Hymn "Let Us Build a House"

MV 1

Opening Prayer

Hymn "Spirit of Life"

VU 381

Hymn of Peace

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

VU 684

Children's Time

We Listen to the Word of God

Scripture Reader: Allan Bevand

Prayer of Illumination

- Psalm 121, VU 844
- 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
- Matthew 25:14-30

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Rev. Christine's Message

Anthem "I Will Serve the Lord all my Days" *by Don Besig*

We Respond to God's Love

Invitation to the Offering

Prayer for the Offering

Bless our offering, triune God, that your Spirit touches us all, your Son teaches us all, and your own love transforms us all. Amen.

Offertory Hymn "We Give You But Your Own" VU 542

We give you but your own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is yours alone,
We give it gratefully.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn

"God Be with You till We Meet Again"

VU 422

Commissioning

Now go, filled by God's Spirit with music and hope and courage.

We leave, knowing who we are and to whom we belong.

You belong to God; you were chosen by God and you are God's workers.

May we leave with God's blessing.

Blessing

Amen

Postlude "Fuga"

by Josef Seeger