

# SUMMERLEA UNITED CHURCH

225, 50<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Lachine



March 01, 2026

10:30am

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.

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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 as God's People**

### **Prelude**

### **Introit**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Time of Centering & Lighting of the Christ Candle**

### **Responsive Call to Worship**

*From Celebrate God's Presence, p.149, modifications by Sarah Wicks-Potter*

Friends in Christ,  
Lent is a time to prepare  
And to renew our life.  
We mark this holy season

**By acknowledging our need for repentance,  
And for the mercy and forgiveness proclaimed  
In the Gospel.**

We are invited, in the name of Christ,  
To observe a holy Lent

**By self-examination and penitence,  
By prayer and fasting, by works of love  
And by reading and meditating on the Word of God.  
Amen.**

# Église Unie Summerlea United Church

Sunday, March 01

2026

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## **SECOND IN LENT**

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### **Opening Hymn**

*"Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights"* **VU 108**

### **Prayer of Confession & Words of Assurance**

*From Celebrate God's Presence, p.154-155*

God of exodus and wilderness,  
God of refuge and help,  
Hear us now as we make our confession to you.

**In times of temptation,**

**We forget what you have done for us.**

**You give us everything we need,**

**Yet we often remain unsatisfied;**

**You trust us to care for creation,**

**Yet we often abuse that trust**

**And spoil what we have been given.**

**You show us the way we are to follow,**

**Yet we often continue on the path of self-indulgence and self-centeredness.**

**Forgive us, we pray.**

### *Moment of Silence*

We ask for your direction, your patience, your love;

**In the name of Jesus Christ,**

**Who, in spite of his temptations,**

**Was faithful to your saving word. Amen.**

The covenanting God of Abraham and Sarah

Promises to be with us on our journey.  
The covenanting God of Jeremiah promises  
Newness of heart.  
The covenanting God of Jesus promises  
New life.  
Live into the promise.  
In Christ's name you are free.  
**Amen.**

**Hymn** *"To Abraham and Sarah"*

**VU 634**

## **We Listen to the Word of God**

*Scripture Reader: Undeg Edwards*

**Hebrew scripture reading:** Genesis 12:1-4a NRSVUE

**Responsive reading:** Psalm 121, VU 844

**Reading from the Gospels:** John 3:1-17 NRSVUE

**Hymn** *"How Great the Mystery of Faith"* (tune 265) **VU 390**



*Sermon by Sarah Wicks-Potter*

## **We Respond to God's Love**

**Anthem**

**Offertory**

From *Celebrate God's Presence*, p.47

Music and laughter,  
Hands and minds,  
Curiosity and compassion:

What an abundance of gifts we have! All these gifts  
are symbolized in our offering.  
Let us commit ourselves in service,  
As we worship God with our offering.

### **Offertory Dedication**

From *Celebrate God's Presence*, p.157

Gracious God,  
Bless and transform all that we offer:  
Our faltering steps,  
Our brokenness,  
Our hope, our risking, our hearts,  
That your covenant may be written on our hearts  
And we may be a blessed and transformed  
Covenant people.  
In Jesus' name,  
**Amen.**

### **Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

From *Celebrate God's Presence*, p.159, modifications by Sarah Wicks-Potter

That Lent may bring a return to the covenant  
In which we love God and our neighbor as Jesus teaches,  
We passionately pray:

**God, renew the face of the earth.**

That Lent may be a time for truth, justice, and peace  
In the decisions of state, national, and world governments,  
We passionately pray:

**God, renew the face of the earth.**

That Lent may be a time for each household  
To strengthen bonds of love and communication,  
We passionately pray,

**God, renew the face of the earth.**

That Lent may bring us all we need  
As we bring our hopes and concerns to you this morning,  
O Lord, praying in the silence of our hearts,

*Period of silence for prayer.*

**Congregational Amen.**

## **We Go Out to Witness in the World**

**Closing Hymn** “*God Says*”

**MV 172**

### **Commissioning and Benediction**

*From Celebrate God's Presence, p.160*

Giving and Sustaining God:

We experience your compelling call

To undertake this Lenten journey;

We hear your voice

Inviting us into the wilderness where our journey begins;

We trust in your presence with us on the way.

Guide and support us through the wilderness.

Inspire us to follow Christ in worship, and in witness;

In Jesus' name we pray.

**Amen.**

### **Common Blessing**

And may the blessing of God give us strength for the  
journey;

May the Spirit of wisdom give us vision for the road;

May the love of Christ make us caring companions;

As together we go forth in the Lenten time.

**Amen.**

### **Threefold Amen**

### **Postlude**

## Mission Statement

*At Summerlea United Church, our Christian faith and love of God inspire a keen sense of community. We seek to worship together, care for each other and reach out to those in need, near and far. In partnership with others, we support action to address food security, poverty, education, social justice and the care of refugees and new immigrants. We share our green church home with organizations that serve the local community.*

*We are committed to welcoming all people regardless of age, race, ability, language, sexual orientation, gender identity or economic background.*

## Summerlea United Church Calendar

### March

06	11:00am	World Day of Prayer
08	10:30am	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> in Lent – International Women’s Day</b> <b>Spring forward – Daylight Saving Time</b>
10	1:00pm	Worship & Membership Meeting
15	10:30am	<b>4<sup>th</sup> in Lent – Food Sunday</b>
17	1:00pm	Summerlea Church Council Meeting
22	10:30am	<b>5<sup>th</sup> in Lent</b>
28	10am-12pm	Used Puzzle Sale
29	10:30am	<b>Palm/Passion Sunday</b>

### April

02		Maundy Thursday
03		Good Friday
05	10:30am	<b>Resurrection Sunday; Easter Day</b>
12	10:30am	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> of Easter</b>
19	10:30am	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> of Easter; Earth Sunday</b>
24	10am-3pm	Used Book Sale
25	10am-3pm	Artisan Fair & Used Book Sale
26	10:30am	<b>4<sup>th</sup> of Easter; Camping Sunday</b>



# World Day of Prayer Journée mondiale de la prière 2026

**"I Will Give You  
Rest: Come"**

Matthew 11:28-30

Title: Rest for the Weary

Artist: Gift Amarachi Ottah



**« Je vous procurerai le  
repos. Venez »**

Mattieu 11, 28-30

Titre : Le repos pour vous qui peinez  
sous le poids du fardeau

Artiste: Gift Amarachi Ottah

## Ecumenical Worship Service Information/ Renseignements sur la célébration œcuménique

### Day, Time/la date, l'heure

Friday, March 6, 2026 at 11:00am

### Location/l'endroit

225, 50th Avenue  
Lachine, QC H8T 2T7

### Additional Information/informations supplémentaires

Please join us in St. Andrew's Hall following the  
service for a light lunch. All are welcome.

Service written and Prepared by WDP Nigeria, arranged and adapted for use in Canada by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada  
Service préparé par des écrivaines du Nigeria, arrangé et adapté pour le Canada par le Mouvement des chrétiennes du Canada



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