

Église Unie Summerlea United Church

Sunday, October 11 2026 le dimanche 11 octobre
20th after Pentecost – Creation Time 5 - Thanksgiving Sunday

Rev. Marie Silvenie Chéry officiating
October 11, 2026 - 10:30

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 as God's People

Prelude

Introit "We Praise You, O God"

VU 218

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Centering Lighting of the Christ Candle

We seek God's presence in our lives today.

We seek God's Spirit moment by moment in worship.

As we journey in faith, we strive to move forward in faith.

We will never turn back, except to give thanks.

And so, we welcome the guiding light of Christ.

(Elaine Bidgood Sweet, Zion Lutheran Church, Minot, North Dakota).

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn

"Make a Joyful Noise All the Earth!"

VU 820

Opening Prayer

O God, we come before you

To give thanks

For the wonders of your Creations;

To give thanks

For the reassuring touch of loved ones;

To give thanks

For the tantalizing aroma of home cooking;

To give thanks

For the joyous sounds of children laughing;

To give thanks

For your presence in the shadowed times.

We who are so blessed come in gratitude to offer our communal prayer for the limitlessness of your love that fills us with the very breath of life.

Gracious God, we give our thanks. **Amen!**

(Barbara Jonhs, Queenswood, U.C., Orleans, Ont.).

Hymn

"Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet" **VU 245**

Worship spark

Prayer of confession

God in heaven, you have provided your children
With many wonderful gifts. But there are times
When we may get so caught up in the busy-ness
Of our day-to-day living that we forget to stop and
Breathe a simple word of thanks.

Forgive me, God, when I forget to whisper,

"Thank you"

God in heaven, as we travel through life, there are times when we are so happy to have received your gifts of grace that we may forget that the gifts came from you.

Forgive me God, when I forget to whisper,

"Thank you".

(a time of silent)

Amen.

Words of Assurance

Hymn

VU 249

"Rejoice in the Lord Always"

We Listen to the Word of God

Scripture Reader: Undeg Edwards

"In Scripture God speaks to each of us. Listen for the voice of God."

Psalm 65 – VU 782-783

"God provides; the valleys shout and sing." (NRSV)

Luke 17:11-19

"Ten healed; one returns to offer thanks" (NRSV)

Reader: May God bless to our understanding this
reading from the Holy Scriptures.

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon: A Greater Blessing: Thanksgiving deepens our relationship with God and leads to
spiritual wholeness.

We Respond to God's Love

Anthem "Thanks Be To God"

Invitation to the Offering Come gather up our gifts. With joy, let us offer to our Creator a
thanksgiving portion for all we have received. As we give from our
hearts, let these offerings be blessed. Praise and thanks be to God.
(Jani Francis, St Andrew's UC., Indian Head, Sask.)

Offertory Hymn

VU 227, Vs 1

"For the Fruits of All Creation, Thanks Be to God"

For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.

For the gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.

For the ploughing, sowing, reaping, silent growth

while we were sleeping, future needs in earth's safe - keeping, thanks be to God.

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

We Go Out to Witness in the World

Closing Hymn: *“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”*

VU 288

Extinguishing the Light

Blessing and sending forth

As we prepare to leave this place of worship, let us pledge to be grateful for all the gifts of God's Creation. Go out into the world with thankfulness in your heart and be ready to offer thanks to all.

When we love one another, when we thank one another, we are also loving and thanking God.

And so, I thank you all for being a part of the family in Christ.

May you feel the blessing of love and gratitude in your heart, today and every day.

(Diane McKenty, Grey Street U.C” Winnipeg, Man.)

Threefold Amen

Postlude

***Please remain seated to enjoy the postlude
and a moment of quite reflection after the service.***