The Rev. Marie Silvenie Chéry

November 08, 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

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Centering

Lighting of the Christ Candle

In a troubled world,
We need peace.
In our troubled lives,
We need peace.
In our relationship with God through the Christ,
We can find perfect peace.
In the light of this candle,
We are reminded of Christ's peace.
Thanks be to God.
Amen.
(Beth W Johnston, Collaborative Ministry, River Philip and Springhill, N.S.)

Call to Worship

On Remembrance Day, we give thanks for those who have made sacrifices
In pursuit of justice.

Soldiers, pilots, sailors, marines.

We honour the sacrifices made in pursuit of peace.

Nurses, ambulance drivers, doctors, chaplains.

We affirm the sacrifices made in pursuit of freedom.

Parents, spouses, partner, children.

We lament that these sacrifices were necessary.

We renew our calling to strive for peace and justice, freedom, and truth.

We celebrate life reclaimed from war.

We proclaim life abundant, in Jesus-Christ.

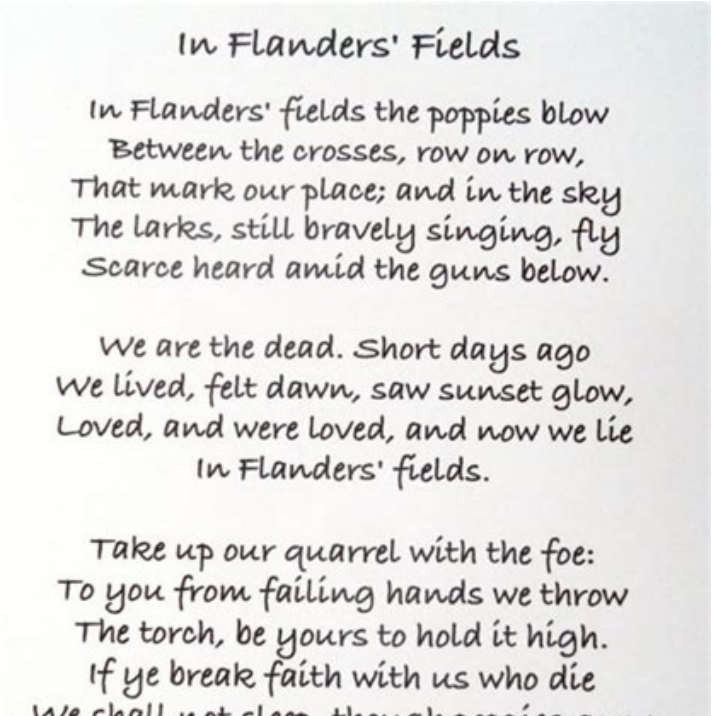
Let us worship together and remember together,

Knowing that, in God's heart, their sacrifice is never forgotten.
(Gill Le Fevre, Walton Memorial U.C., Oakville, Ont.)

Ceremony of Remembrance

Hymn "O Canada" (English & French) **VU 524**
Please note the words in the hymnbook are outdated. For the revised wording, please see www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/services/anthems-canada.html#a1.

The Laying of the Wreath Barbara Moffat
In Flanders Fields read by Barbara Moffat
The Last Post Leslie Field, soprano saxophone
Two minutes silence
Reveille Leslie Field, soprano saxophone



In Flanders' Fields

In Flanders' fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved, and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders' fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch, be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die

The Act of Remembrance

They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We will remember them.

Prayer

Eternal rest grant to them, O God, and may perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, through your great mercy, rest in peace. **Amen.**

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Hymn "God! As with Silent Hearts" **VU 527**

Prayer for Peace (All) **VU 692**

O God, lead us from death to life
from falsehood to truth;
lead us from despair to hope,
from fear to trust;
lead us from hate to love,
from war to peace.
Let your peace fill our hearts, our world,
our universe. Amen! (*Satish Kumar)*

We Listen to the Word of God

Scripture Reader: John Osborne

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

Psalm 78: 1-7 (VU 792 Part One)
We will teach the next generation.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25: 1-13
Parable of the 10 bridesmaids and the lamps.

Scripture Reader: *For the word of God in scripture*
For the word of God among us
For the word of God within us
All: Thanks be to God.

Hymn "He Came Singing Love" **VU 359**

Reflection: **When Memory Becomes Vigilance**
Keeping the Lamp Burning Through Remembrance and Faith

We Respond to God's Love

Anthem

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Hymn "What Can I Do?" **MV 191**

What can I do? What can I bring?
What can I say? What can I sing?
I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.
I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

Offertory Prayer

Bless our offering Eternal God,
Bless those will benefit from them
And those who have graciously offered them.
May our blessings and your peace come upon
Those who have fought for it,
And those who continuously pray for it.
This we ask through Christ, Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

We Go Out to Witness in the World

Closing Hymn "I Love to Tell the Story" **VU 343**

Extinguishing the Light

Commissioning and Benediction

Threefold Amen

Postlude