Rev. Marie Silvenie Chéry

November 15, 2026 - 10:30

Children's Sunday & world food 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 as God's People

Prelude

Introit "I Have Called You By Your Name" **MV 161**

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Centering

Lighting of the Christ Candle

The world cries war.
The church's foundation whispers peace.
The world speaks of scarcity.
The church's foundation shows us abundance.
The world warns us to keep for ourselves.
The church's foundation calls us to share and open our hearts.
The church's foundation shows us that the way of peace involves celebrating and sharing our abundance.
Thanks be to God for this light of hope.
Amen.
(Beth W Johnston, Collaborative Ministry, River Philip and Springhill, N.S.)

Call to Worship

Let us give thanks for God's provision and commit

ourselves to sharing His love and blessings with others.

Let us worship together.

Opening Prayer

Open our hearts, O God
That we might recognize your presence in the voices of those around us.
May the laughter of children
Call us into your joy.
May the stories of the elders
Teach us your wisdom.
May the cries of all who are impacted by violence and disaster and the despair of all who are hungry and impoverished
Stir us to work for your justice.
May the moans of all who are sick and suffering
Move us to acts of your mercy.
May our own suffering, fear, and distress
Provoke us to recognize the needs of others as you do.
Open our hearts, O God, to you.
Amen.
(Jean Leckie, Georgetown, Ont.)

Opening Hymn "We are Pilgrims" **VU 595**

Worship Spark (Time with Children)

Hymn "All the Way My Saviour Leads Me" **VU 635**

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

Halle, Halle, Halle-lujah! **VU 958 (3 x)**
Halle, Halle, Halle-lujah! (3 x)
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

We Listen to the Word of God

Scripture Reader: Mary Reynolds

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

Psalm 123, VU 847
We lift our eyes to you, O God.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25: 14-30
The parable of the talents.

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.

We Respond to God's Love

Anthem "Turn, Turn, Turn"

Mission and Service

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.

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

The Lords Prayer (VU 910-B)

We Go Out to Witness in the World

Closing Hymn "Go, Make a Diff ' rence" **MV 209**

Extinguishing the Light

We extinguish this flame, but not its light. May each of us carry that light forward through the talents we have been given.

Commissioning and Benediction

Threefold Amen

Postlude