

October 05, 2025, 10:30, Thanksgiving 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

Introit "For the Beauty of the Earth"

VU 226

Welcome and Announcements

Time of Centering

Call to Worship

Come, people of God, gather with grateful hearts.

**We bring thanks for the harvest of the earth, for food
that nourishes and hands that prepare.**

Come, people of God, gather with open spirits.

**We bring thanks for the beauty of creation, for rivers
and forests, fields, and skies.**

Come, people of God, gather with generous hope.

**We bring thanks for the gift of community, for neighbours near and far, for love that binds
us
together.**

One: Come, people of God, to worship the Giver of every good gift.

All: With joy and gratitude, we lift our voices in praise.

Opening Hymn “Each Blade of Grass”

MV 37

Prayer of Confession

**Generous God,
we confess that we do not always live with grateful hearts.
We forget your daily gifts,
we take more than we need,
we ignore the cry of the earth and the hungry in our midst.
Forgive us, O God.
Plant within us a spirit of humility and compassion,
so that we may walk gently with creation,
share generously with neighbours,
and live faithfully as your people.**

Words of Assurance

Hymn “For the Fruit of All Creation”

VU 227

We Listen to the Word of God

Scripture Reader: Dorothy Brown

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Psalms 100, VU 820-824

John 6:25-35

Hymn “God of the Sparrow”

VU 229

Message by Dennis Brown

Anthem “Thank You Lord”

We Respond to God’s Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Dedication

Offertory Hymn

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

VU 541

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Creator God, we give your thanks for the harvest of the earth, for fields that yield their bounty, for orchards heavy with fruit, for gardens bright with colour and life.

For all your gifts, we give you thanks.

We thank you for the beauty of this land we call home: for mountains and prairies, for forests and lakes, for the turning of the seasons, and for the peoples who have lived upon this land since time immemorial.

For all your gifts, we give you thanks.

We thank you for the gift of community: for neighbours and friends, for family gathered and scattered, for those who teach, heal, and serve, and for all who walk with us in faith.

For all your gifts, we give you thanks.

Generous God, even as we rejoice, we remember those in need: those without food enough this day, those who are lonely or grieving, those who are sick in body, mind, or spirit.

We pray for peace where there is war, for justice where there is oppression, for hope where despair weighs heavy.

God of abundance, hear our prayer.

Gather our prayers with the thanksgiving of all your people, and unite them with the prayer Jesus taught us, in the language of your choice saying:

Our Father, who art in heaven....(*Lord's Prayer*)

We Go Out to Witness in the World

Closing Hymn

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

Commissioning and Benediction

Threefold Amen

Postlude