

**Sunday, June 14 2026 le dimanche 14 juin**

**Officiating: Sarah Wicks-Potter  
June 14, 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.

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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** *"Come Holy Spirit"*

**VU 204**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Time of Centering**

### **Call to Worship**

From *Celebrate God's Presence*, p.23

Jesus said: Love one another.

**We come to worship God who is love,  
That we may learn to love one another.**

Jesus said: No longer do I call you servants;

Now I call you friends.

**We come to worship God,  
Whose friends we are in Christ.**

Let us sing praise to God,

And live in love and friendship;

Through Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

**Opening Hymn** *"Morning Has Broken"*

**VU 409**

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

From *Celebrate God's Presence*, p.31, 36, & 43, modifications made by Sarah Wicks-Potter

Jesus said, "My yoke is easy and my burden is light."

Let us bring to God in prayer our burden of sin

And our yoke of guilt,

Confident and trusting in the Spirit of grace.

From self-righteousness that will not compromise,

And from selfishness

That gains from the manipulation of others,

**Deliver us, O God.**

From the lust for money or power that drives to kill,

**Deliver us, O God.**

From the arrogance and thoughtlessness

That abuses your good creation,

**Deliver us, O God.**

From trusting in the weapons of war,

And mistrusting the councils of peace,

**Deliver us, O God.**

From hearing, believing,

And speaking lies about other nations,

**Deliver us, O God.**

From suspicions and fears

That stand in the way of reconciliation,

**Deliver us, O God.**

From words and deeds that encourage discord,

Perpetuate racist assumptions,

Sexist stereotypes, and classist attitudes;

From everything that contributes to oppression,

**Deliver us, O God.**

**Amen.**

The proof of God's amazing love is this:

While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

So, with confidence, I say to you:

In God's great mercy,

Receive forgiveness for your sin.

**Thanks be to God!**

**Amen.**

Hymn *"Just as I Am"*

**VU 508**

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

*Scripture Reader: Brian Maklan*

**First scripture reading:** Romans 5: 1-8 NRSVUE

**Responsive reading:** Psalm 116, VU 836

**Reading from the Gospels:** Matthew 9:35 - 10:23 NRSVUE

Hymn *"Through the Heart of Every City"*

**VU 584**

**Sermon**

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

**Anthem** "River in Judea"

## Offertory

From *The Presbyterian Church in Canada's Worship Planner for the 3rd Sunday after Pentecost*, file available upon request, modifications made by Sarah Wicks-Potter

God's Spirit equips Jesus' followers  
To bring healing and hope to the world God loves.  
The gifts we offer God are tangible signs  
Of that healing and hope at work in us and through us,  
For the sake of Christ our Lord.

## Offertory Dedication

From *The Presbyterian Church in Canada's Worship Planner for the 3rd Sunday after Pentecost*, file available upon request, modifications made by Sarah Wicks-Potter

God of grace and goodness,  
Your world is full of gifts that sustain our lives.  
We offer our gifts in gratitude.  
Bless them  
And make them signs of your presence at work in the world, Touching lives in need with your love  
and strength.  
In Jesus' name,  
**Amen.**

## Offertory Hymn "Grant Us, God, the Grace" VU 540

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

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God of the earth and all its peoples,  
In Jesus Christ, you proclaimed the good news  
That true life and peace are found in you.  
Guide your church to proclaim this good news,  
Not in ways that merely please people  
And not in ways that merely don't ruffle feathers,  
But in ways that bring Christ's reconciling love  
To divided communities and lives out of joint with each other.  
Shine your light into the world's hidden corners,  
Exposing violence, exploitation, and bigotry.  
Reveal what dehumanizes the vulnerable  
And degrades your creation.  
God of the earth and all its peoples,  
**Let your light shine!**

God of healing and hope,  
Thank you for your faithfulness to us in all situations  
We pray for all those who are ill or in pain,  
For the anxious and discouraged,  
For those experiencing violence,  
For those facing death  
Or the loss of someone dearly beloved,  
And for those struggling to make ends meet  
In these uncertain times.  
We pray for all who work  
To bring healing and hope to places of strife and deprivation.  
May the mission we share in Jesus' name  
Shine the light of your love into desperate lives.

God of the earth and all its peoples,  
**Let your light shine!**

God of the faithful future,  
Bless this community of faith  
And guide us all as we plan for the future in changing times.  
Bless students and teachers as the school year ends  
And restore them for learning with summer enjoyment.  
Grant us all times to rest and to enjoy this summer  
And replenish our hope and energy to serve in your world.  
God of the earth and all its peoples,  
**Let your light shine!**

We pray for your creation  
And for the places in this world  
That are scarred by degradation and pollution;  
Let a spirit of care make us faithful stewards  
And caretakers of the world you love.  
And we pray for those places around the world  
That are marked by war, violence and poverty;  
Let a spirit of generosity and care make us advocates  
For justice and peace who  
Speak the Good News of God's reconciling love.  
God of the earth and all its peoples,  
**Let your light shine!**

We offer all our prayers, spoken and unspoken,  
In the language of our choice  
And through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us to say:

**Our Father,  
Who art in heaven  
Hallowed be thy name  
Thy kingdom come  
Thy will be done  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread  
And forgive us our trespasses  
As we forgive those who trespass against us  
And lead us not into temptation  
But deliver us from evil  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,  
Now and forever.  
Amen.**

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

### **Closing Hymn**

*"One More Step Along the World"*

**VU 639**

## **Commissioning and Benediction**

*From Celebrate God's Presence, p.71 & 72, modifications made by Sarah Wicks-Potter*

Go out into the world in peace;  
Have courage;  
Hold on to what is good;  
Return no one evil for evil;  
Strengthen the fainthearted;  
Support the weak,  
And help the suffering;  
Honour all people;  
Love and serve the Lord,  
Rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

And may the blessing of God,  
The giver of every good and perfect gift;  
And of Christ, who summons us to service;  
And of the Holy Spirit,  
Who inspires generosity and love,  
Be with us all.

**Threefold Amen**

**Postlude**