# St. John's United Church October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Worship Leader – Rev. Sungsoon Park

## **WELCOME**

Greetings, welcoming newcomers, announcements, prayer concerns and celebrations.

We are looking for more choir members and musicians. If you're interested, please join us.

CENTERING SONG VU # 374 Come and Find the Quiet Centre vs. 1

## LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

We light this candle as a symbol of Christ's light.

We light this candle to remind ourselves of the light of Christ that it is within and among us.

Our hope in Christ shines on.

The peace of Christ lights our way.

The joy of Christ brings brightness to our lives.

The love of Christ comforts and challenges.

(All) And the darkness has not overcome it.

The Christ candle is lit.

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

People of God, come and see what the Lord has done!

God has guided us and walked beside us on the way.

We bring our thankfulness and our regrets, our joy and our sorrow, As we come before the Holy One.

God will speak, and we will listen.

This is our gathering place before the Holy One—

A place where hearts are renewed and commitment is forged.

God will speak, we will listen, and we will begin God's work.

(All) Let us praise and worship God!

## **Regular Office Hours**

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Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

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This Week: October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Worship Leader: Rev. Sungsoon Park

Greeters: Jeanette Poulin & Eileen Schmidt

Scripture: Jacki Kunec

Fellowship: Doris Ulanicki & Bev Bowers

Next Week: October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Worship Leader: Rev. Sungsoon Park

Greeters: Ed & Judy Inman

Scripture: Judy Inman

Fellowship: Rita Normand & Helene Severyn

## **SERMON Reflection**

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**HYMN** VU # 520 We Plough the Fields

#### **COMMISSIONING**

Go into the world, following Jesus and walking in his Way. Go into the world, mindful of the challenges and open to God's leading.

Live this Thanksgiving Day—and every day—with hearts shaped by gratitude
And lives growing in the grace of God. Amen.

BENEDICTION HYMN Go Now in Peace
Go now in Peace, never be afraid;
God will go with you, each hour of every day.
Go now in Faith, steadfast, strong and true,
know he will guide you in all you do.
Go now in Love, and show you believe,
reach out to others, so all the world can see.
God will be there, watching from above.
Go now, in Peace, in Faith and in Love.
Amen, Amen, Amen

#### PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you **And also with you.** 

## **CHILDREN'S TIME**

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!
Sing the glory of God's name; give to God glorious praise.

How wondrous are your deeds, O God! We sing praises to your holy name.

Come and see what God has done—
the One who turned the sea into dry land,
Who brought our ancestors safely across the Jordan.

How marvelous are your deeds, O God!

We sing praises to your name.

Even when you have tested us, O Lord, even when we have passed through fire and water, **Still, you have brought us out into a spacious place.** 

OPENING HYMN VU # 516 Come, You Thankful People, Come

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of mercy and grace,

We are created to praise you and to give thanks always.

Yet we confess that gratitude does not always fill our hearts.

We harbor resentment for what we lack.

We blame you, and we blame others.

We doubt your compassion and question your power.

We struggle to give ourselves freely—

to you or to others—

In generous acts of love and praise.

Forgive us, we pray, for attitudes and behaviors that stifle joy and silence thanksgiving.

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Heal and restore us, O God, That we may return to you with a right spirit. Help us to live holy and joyful lives, as those whom you love and save. (All) We pray in Christ's name. Amen.

#### It is WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the good news:

In the waters of baptism, we have died with Christ and have been raised with him to a new life.

Nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

In Christ, we are forgiven—
set free to live in praise and thanksgiving!
(All) Thanks be to God!

**HYMN** VU # 517 Praise God for the Harvest

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

**OFFERING** 

**DEDICATION SONG** VU # 227 For the Fruit of All Creation, vs 2 In the just reward of labour, God's will is done. In the help we give our neighbour, God's will is done. In our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

**DEDICATION PRAYER** 

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** 

2 Kings 5:1-3, 13-15 pg. 367, 368 2 Timothy 2:8-15 pg. 268, 269 Luke 17:11-19 pg. 102 RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 111 pg. 833, 834

Refrain: Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

I will thank you, God, with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in their assembly.

Great are your works, O God, studied by all who delight in them. Honour and majesty are your work; your righteousness endures forever.

You have won renown for your wonders; you are gracious and full of compassion.

Refrain: Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

You give food to those who fear you; you keep your covenant always in mind.

You have shown your power in action, giving your people the heritage of nations.

The works of your hands are faithful and just; all your precepts trustworthy.

They stand fast forever and ever; grounded in justice and truth. You sent redemption to your people;

You decreed your covenant forever. Holy and awesome is your name.

Refrain: Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.

The fear of God is the beginning of wisdom;

those who practice it have good understanding. May your praise endure forever.

Refrain: Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.