



Forest Hill United Church
'open doors, open hearts, open minds'



Peace Sunday
20th Sunday after Pentecost
October 26th, 2025 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME to worship!

Gathering

**** Please rise in spirit or in body as you are able**

Prelude: Eternal, Unchanging

VU 223

Welcome and Announcements:

Land Acknowledgement:

At Forest Hill United Church, we acknowledge that our church is built on ancestral, traditional and unceded Wolastoqiyik (wolas-to-qiyik) land.

Declaration of a Safe Place:

Forest Hill United Church is a safe place for people to gather, regardless of race, creed, age, cultural background, family status, sexual orientation and gender identity.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Introit: Web of Life

TLUS 2

**A strand in the web of life let me be,
a string on the harp that the spirit plays,
at one with the sky and earth and the sea,
in the web of life let me be, let me be,
in the web of life let me be.**

Call to Worship: (together)

The Divine calls out to us in multiple ways with the showering of coloured leaves, the apples of orchard trees

bursting with growth, and abundant grains harvested in golden fields. These are signs of God's abundance and we are truly blessed with abundance of love for all Creation by the source of all life. Let us worship a gifting God.

Opening Prayer (together)

Source of grace, just as you were in the midst of Israel, so too you are in the midst of our world as abiding love. May my life be a continual expression of gratitude to you. Amen.

****Opening Hymn:** Joyful, Joyful We Adore You VU 232

Prayer of Self – Reflection:

(Time for Silent Prayer)

*When has the divine stood by you in challenging times?
How have you contributed to acts of hope?
How does gratitude shape your day?*

Let the people proclaim **Amen!**

****Hymn of Praise:** We Cannot Own the Sunlit Sky MV 143
Those going to Sunday School will leave after the first verse

Exploring

Words from Our Bible:

Jean Fisher

Joel 2: 23-32

Psalm 65 VU 782

Luke 18: 9-14

One: In this is the word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God

Message:

Special Music:

Responding

Presentation of our Gifts:

Sung Response: There's Enough For All TLUS 60

**There's enough for all if we would learn to share it,
there's enough for all, oh, help us to believe.**

There's enough for all.

Let's bring our loaves and fishes,

and offer them to Jesus.

There's more than enough for you and me.

Prayer of Dedication: (together)

**God of creation, you water the earth and provide us
food; you shower us with grace and feed us with your
love. Accept these gifts, humble though they may be, and
use them to spread your goodness throughout all the
earth; in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer:

Reverend Sherri J Weinberg

God - heart of the world:

revealed through every aspect of creation:

understood through our awareness.

**May we honour the holiness of creation and act
accordingly**

so that your love is reflected in the way we live.

**May we always be thankful for the food we eat
and the friends we have.**

**May we forgive those who transgress against us
and be forgiven for our own.**

**In the freedom of love may we live as your heartbeat
and not be compromised by hesitation.**

**Through our freedom, may your justice
be seen and heard and experienced
forever and ever. Amen.**

We Go Out As God's People

****Closing Hymn:** Could it be that God is singing TLUS 117

**** Commissioning and Blessing:**

**** Choral Amen:** God Says MV 172 (vs. 4)
**God says, "Reach out! The world's in need
and wants a word, a song, a deed.
I send you forth to speak, to sing,
to act for Christ in everything."**

Postlude: God, Who Gives to Life its Goodness VU 260

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