



Tecumseh United Church  
~ *An Affirming Congregation* ~  
Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026 - 10:00 a.m.

*We are a fragrance-free environment.*

*We acknowledge that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Attawandaron, Anishinaabe and Haudenosaunee peoples.*

*\* Please adopt the posture that suits you best for singing.*

### *We Gather in God's Love*

Welcome and Announcements  
Land Acknowledgement

### Lighting the Christ Candle

As we watch the flame of this candle,

**may we experience the light of Jesus' message**

As we delight in the warm glow of the candle,

**may we delight in the warmth of God's healing love**

Thus strengthened, may be refreshed, renewed, and revived

**ready to work for the Kingdom of God,**

**free from doubt and fear. Amen.**

### Call to Gather:

Let us greet our brothers and sisters in the faith.

**We come to celebrate God's presence,**

and God's love expressed through Jesus of Nazareth.

**We come, remembering Jesus' life and ministry,**

Leader: and the life we are called to live.

**We come as a pilgrim people searching for ways**

**to live out our faith.**

We come seeking the strength to carry on our journey.

**Let us rejoice in God's gift to us! Amen.**

**\*Hymn # 677 "O God of Every Nation"**

### Opening Prayer (from V.U. # 525)

**Eternal God, whose image lies in the hearts of all people,**

**we live among peoples**

**whose languages are different from our own,**

**whose faiths are foreign to us,**

**whose ways we fail to understand.**

**Help us to remember**

**that you embrace all people with your love,**

**that all religion is a response to you,**

**that the yearnings of other hearts**

**are much like our own and are known to you.**

**Help us to recognize you**

**in words of truth, things of beauty,**

**and actions of love about us.**

**We pray in the name of the one who calls us**

**to be neighbor and friend. Amen.**

**\*Hymn MV # 79 "Spirit, Open My Heart"**

Faith Friends Time / Lord's Prayer

**Hymn MV # 107 "God Loves Me"**

*We Listen to God's Word*

Prayer For Enlightenment:

**O God, help us to not only to be hearers of the Way,**

**but doers also; not only to love, but also to live your**

**gospel; not only to profess, but also to practice your**

**teaching, as Jesus showed us. Amen.**

Scripture Reading: Genesis 22: 1 - 14

**\*Hymn MV # 171 "Christ Has No Body Now but Yours"**

Meditation: "What Does the LORD Require of You?"

*We Respond to God's Word*

**Choir Anthem**

The Offering

Offering Prayer

**Gracious God, we present these our gifts, not from a sense**

**of obligation but from an honest desire to support the work**

**of your church. Help us to use them wisely, following**

**always the teachings of Jesus. In his name we pray, Amen.**

**Offering Hymn MV # 136 "When Hands Reach Out" verse 5**

Prayer Book is read

Community Prayer (based on "The Lord's Prayer")

Gracious God, we cannot pray 'Our',

**if our faith has no room for others and their need.**

We cannot pray *'Creator,*  
**if we do not acknowledge this relationship to you  
in our daily living.**

We cannot pray *'who art in heaven'*  
**if all our interests and pursuits are in earthly things.**

We cannot pray, *'hallowed be thy name'*  
**if we are not striving, with your help, to be holy.**

We cannot pray, *'thy kingdom come'*  
**if we are unwilling to accept your rule in our lives.**

We cannot pray, *'thy will be done'*  
**if we are unwilling or resentful of having it in our lives.**

We cannot pray, *'on earth as it is in heaven'*  
**unless we are truly ready to give ourselves to your service  
here and now.**

We cannot pray, *'give us this day our daily bread'*  
**without expending honest effort for it, or if we would  
withhold from our neighbour the bread that we receive.**

We cannot pray, *'forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those  
who trespass against us'*  
**if we continue to harbour a grudge against anyone.**

We cannot pray, *'lead us not into temptation'*  
**if we deliberately choose to remain in a situation  
where we are likely to be tempted.**

We cannot pray, *'deliver us from evil'*  
**if we are not prepared to fight evil with our lives  
and our prayers.**

We cannot pray, *'thine is the kingdom'*  
**if we are unwilling to obey your commandments.**

We cannot pray, *'thine is the power and the glory'*  
**if we are seeking power for ourselves and our own glory first.**

We cannot pray, *forever and ever'*  
**if we are too anxious about each day's affairs.**

We cannot pray, *'Amen'*  
**unless we can honestly say, "Cost what it may,  
this is our prayer."  
Loving God, help us to truly mean it when we say the words  
that Jesus taught us. In his name we pray. Amen.**

*We Go to Love and Serve God*

**\*Hymn # 422 "God Be with You till We Meet Again"**

\*Commissioning & Benediction

♪ ***Go now in peace, never be afraid.  
God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,  
Know God 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 everywhere you move.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.  
Amen, amen, amen. ♪***

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Thanks to Ian Phillips for preparing and leading the service,  
to Janet Peck for reading and to Janet Brigham-Turowski  
for hosting Coffee Hour today.

**Happy Birthday** this week to  
Peter McBean, Janet Peck and Deb Honor

**Happy Anniversary** this week to Greg & Helen Burke  
and Keith & Pam Tiplady

Please join us for a celebratory luncheon honouring **Henry Boon's  
retirement** today following the church service. All are welcome!

**Faith Formation Survey - We invite you to complete the TUC Faith  
Formation Survey by Tuesday, June 30, 2026.** Paper copies are  
available on the front entry table. Thank you for sharing your time,  
ideas, and insights. Your participation  
helps strengthen and enrich our church community.

Please mark your calendars for **Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup> for this year's  
Windsor-Essex United Church annual worship service and  
fellowship BBQ at GessTwood camp.** Worship will begin at 11am  
followed by lunch! We ask that everyone wishing to attend let us know  
by registering on the camp website - [www.gesstwoodcamp.ca](http://www.gesstwoodcamp.ca)  
This way we will make sure we have enough communion elements,  
food and drink for everyone! Thankyou! See you there!