



Tecumseh United Church
~ An Affirming Congregation ~
Sunday, August 10th, 2025 - 9:30 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.

We Gather in God's Love

Welcome and Announcements

Land Acknowledgement

Lighting the Christ Candle:

In this quiet moment, we open our hearts to God.

God is like the spark we need to light this candle.

God is always with us, whether we know it or not.

It is good for us to slow down, and to gather ourselves.

In the light of God's love, our lives look different.

****Hymn # 1 MV "Let Us Build a House"***

Call to Worship: (Richard Bott, Burlington, Ontario)

In the holy name of God:

Father, Mother, Creator, Life-Giver...

we gather in this place.

In the holy name of Jesus the Christ:

Son, Redeemer, Teacher, Friend...

we gather in this place.

In the holy name of the Spirit:

Holy One, Sustainer, Daily Guide, Wisdom...

we gather in this place.

In the holy name of the One who is Three

and the Three who are One...

we gather to celebrate new life.

Opening Prayer: (Bob Root & Co., Peterborough, Ont.)

Holy One, in your heart, there is room for all

and a welcome that is deep, wide, and rich.

You join us together in your love.

You feed us with teachings

of kindness, respect, and justice.

You heal us and make us whole.

As we gather today, we give thanks

that these gifts of welcome and warmth await us.

We pray to be filled with these gifts

**that we might take them and share them
with everyone we meet.**

Bless us in this time together,
and send us out to be a blessing.

In Jesus' name. **Amen.**

****Hymn # 593 "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love"***

We Listen to God's Word

Scripture Readings: Psalm 139:13-16, Acts 15:1-11

****Hymn # 356 "Seek Ye First the Kingdom"***

Meditation: "Us and Them" thinking

We Respond to God's Word

Musical Interlude

An Offering Prayer:

Since its beginning, the church was meant to be a place of chosen family - a community of outcasts and outlaws, dreamers, prophets, and humble disciples of Love. In the company of Divine Presence, we create belonging and nurture justice. With gratitude for the sacred labours of love in this place, we ask God to bless the offering. Amen.

Offertory Hymn # 542 "We Give You But Your Own"

The Prayer book is read

Prayers of the People: (pastoral prayer by Tori Mullin)

Living and Loving God,

May our mouths and hands be tools of justice.

Parent, Teacher and Spirit...

Living and Loving God,

May our mouths and hands be tools of justice.

We pray for those turned away...

Living and Loving God,

May our mouths and hands be tools of justice.

We pray for those searching...

Living and Loving God,

May our mouths and hands be tools of love.

Transform us...

Living and Loving God,

May our mouths and hands be tools of justice.

Reveal your radical Kin-dom...

Living and Loving God,

May our mouths and hands be tools of justice. Amen.

We Go to Love and Serve God

***Hymn # 602 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"**

Commissioning & Benediction

As we leave this place, renewed in faith
by receiving the good news and reflecting on it,
may God fill us with love.

**May Jesus fill us with courage,
and may the energy of the Holy Spirit inspire us
to serve as disciples in our community
as we work with God and with each other
to recreate the world as God would have it be. Amen.**

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Thanks to Rev. Darrow Woods for preparing and leading the service and
to Marylou Haskell for reading.
There will be NO Coffee Hour this morning.

Happy Birthday this week to Ken Getty, Sandy Muma and Jean Weir
Happy Anniversary today to Kevin & Lidia Bunt

Sunday, August 24th - Church Family BBQ Picnic

following the service. Food, fun and games for ALL ages.
Start looking for your Three-Legged-Race partner!!!

TEAM TUC will be participating in the

Terry Fox Walk/Run this year on Sunday, September 14th at 9am

You can donate online at our website: TEAM TUC | Terry Fox Run

In person donations will be accepted at the church later in August.

We are collecting items for **Ready Set Go Windsor**, a local organization
supporting low-income, newcomer, and ESL families in our community.

The list of priority items is: Running shoes (sizes 10.5–13 US), Size 5 and 6
pull-ups Fall jackets (Size 4T to 6X)

****Donations of these additional items would also be helpful:***

Refillable water bottles, Hand sanitizer, Baby wipes

Dry erase boards and markers , Gift cards (for clothing & supplies)

Office Hours~ Wednesdays & Thursdays 10am-2pm

Donations can be made by simple e-transfer to
donations@tecumsehunited.com