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## Showing Up When It Matters Most

*Rev. Shawn Gauthier*

*In-person and live streamed from the Sanctuary – September 15, 2024*



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# WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY?

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**10 am:** Meditation Group (Meditation Room)

**10:45/11 am – 12:15 pm:** Children's Group (Lindsey-Priestley/Fireside)

**11 am:** Sunday Service (Sanctuary)

**12 pm:** Coffee Hour (Hall)

**12:30 – 2 pm:** EnviroTeam Meeting (Lindsey-Priestley)

**1 - 3 pm:** RE Orientation (Fireside)

**PLEASE NOTE:** You may notice it's busier than usual today. This is because the refugee team is doing private interviews with people who are hoping to sponsor their families into Canada. Please respect their need for space and privacy, thank you!

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## WANT TO LIGHT A CANDLE?

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Silent candles can be lit anytime at the front of the Sanctuary. Community Candles are read from the book of Joys & Concerns in the Foyer and from the Live Chat on YouTube during the service. Requests for candles can also be submitted in advance at <https://vanu.ca/candles> (before 9 am Sunday). A candle with an orange ribbon is always lit during our worship services in remembrance of the countless indigenous children who died at residential schools, the survivors and their families.

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## TODAY'S OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES FUND RECIPIENT

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The Outreach Opportunities Fund (OOF) recipient for July-October will be the Highs and Lows Choir (<https://highsandlowschoir.ca/>). The Highs and Lows Choir is a peer-managed four-part choral group that seeks to promote mental health and wellness by providing folks with lived experiences of mental health issues with access to low-barrier choral singing, musical activities and instruction.



For more information about the Outreach Opportunities Fund, visit: <https://vanu.ca/services/outreach-opportunities-fund/>

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# CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP: 11:00AM, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

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<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Compassion Hymns Medley</i>	Elliott Dainow, piano
<b>Words of Welcome &amp; Land Acknowledgement</b>		Carol Siebert
<b>Greeting Our Neighbours</b>		
<b>Opening Hymn</b>	<b>STLT #126: <i>Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing</i></b>	
<b>Opening Words &amp; Kindling the Chalice Flame</b>		Rev. Shawn Gauthier
<b>Time For All Ages</b>	<i>I'm Not Scary</i>	By Raahat Kaduji Read by Rev. Shawn Gauthier
<b>Song for Leaving</b>		Words by Suzelle Lynch, Music by Ruben Piirainen
	<i>As you go, may joy surround you, as you go, go in peace. Know our love is with you always, as you go, as you go.</i>	
<b>Life of the Congregation</b>		Mairy Beam
<b>Testimony</b>	Nancy Barker, Christian Malcolm and Cindy Cashin On behalf of the Healthy Relations Team	
<b>Offering</b>		Carol Siebert
<b>Offertory</b>	<i>Safe Harbour</i>	Mary Grigolia / arr't Elliott Dainow Anne Qu, Gavin Grandish, vocals; Elliott Dainow, piano
<p>We continue to support the work of this congregation and our outreach opportunities recipient through an online offering. You may use <b>text-to-give</b> now (Simply text an amount to 778-771-1707 to get started today, or visit <a href="http://ucv.im/give">http://ucv.im/give</a> for more information!) or <a href="#">donate online</a> through our secure Breeze interface.</p>		
<b>Community Candles</b>		Karen Theroux
<b>Meditation – Spoken, then Silent</b>		Carol Siebert
<b>Musical Response</b>	<i>Would You Harbour Me?</i>	Ysaye Barnwell / arr't Elliott Dainow Anne Qu, Gavin Grandish, vocals; Elliott Dainow, piano
<b>Reading</b>	From <i>Saved by Love</i>	By Michael Tino

<b>Hymn</b>	<b>STLT #18: <i>What Wondrous Love</i></b>	
<b>Sermon</b>	<i>Showing Up When It Matters Most</i>	Rev. Shawn Gauthier
<b>Closing Hymn</b>	<b>STLT #148: <i>Let Freedom Span Both East and West</i></b>	
<b>Benediction &amp; Extinguishing the Chalice Flame</b>		Rev. Shawn Gauthier
<b>Valediction</b>	<i>Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again</i> <i>Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again</i>	

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## VANCOUVER UNITARIANS MINISTER & STAFF

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<b>LAY CHAPLAINS</b>		Karen Bartlett, Laureen Stokes
<b>MINISTER EMERITUS</b>		Rev. Dr. Steven Epperson

The flowers this week have been provided by **Naomi Taylor**.

The artwork on display in the Sanctuary has been provided by **Ralph Sears**.

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