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“Oh, We Give Thanks”

Thanksgiving Sunday and Harvest Communion

Rev. Shawn Gauthier

In-person and live streamed from the Sanctuary – October 13, 2024



WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY?

10 am: Meditation Group (Meditation Room)

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

11 am: Sunday Service (Sanctuary)

12 pm: Coffee Hour (Hall)

12 – 2 pm: Time and Talent Auction (Hall)

12:30 pm: Refugee Team/Partner Church Meeting (Fireside)

12:30 pm: GEM Meeting (Lindsey-Priestley)

12:30 pm: Second Sunday Book Club (Biddle)

1 pm: VanU Youth (Hitschmanova)

WANT TO LIGHT A CANDLE?

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.

TODAY'S OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES FUND RECIPIENT

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/>

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP: 11:00AM, OCTOBER 13, 2024

Prelude	<i>Sospiri</i> <i>Chanson de Nuit</i>	Elgar Elgar Edgar Bridwell, violin; Elliott Dainow, piano
Words of Welcome & Land Acknowledgement		Diane Brown
Greeting Our Neighbours		
Opening Hymn	STLT #69: <i>Give Thanks</i> (Verses 1 and 2)	
Opening Words	<i>Grateful for Creatures from A to Z</i>	By Gary Kowalski Rev. Shawn Gauthier
Kindling the Chalice Flame		Rev. Shawn Gauthier
Time For All Ages	<i>This Table</i>	By Alex Killian and Brooke Smart Read by Rev. Shawn Gauthier
Life of the Congregation		Ralph Theroux
Offering		Diane Brown
Offertory	<i>Chanson de Matin</i>	Elgar Edgar Bridwell, violin; 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 text-to-give now (Simply text an amount to 778-771-1707 to get started today, or visit http://ucv.im/give for more information!) or donate online through our secure Breeze interface.</p>		
Community Candles		Karen Theroux
Meditation – Spoken, then Silent		Diane Brown
Musical Response	<i>I Thank You God</i>	Elgar / e. e. cummings / arr't E. Dainow Performed by Elliott Dainow
Reflection	<i>Oh, We Give Thanks</i>	Rev. Shawn Gauthier
Hymn	STJ #1010: <i>We Give Thanks</i>	
Reading	<i>Perhaps the World Ends Here</i>	By Joy Haro
Harvest Communion		Rev. Shawn Gauthier
Closing Hymn	STLT #355: <i>We Lift Our Hearts in Thanks</i>	

**Benediction & Extinguishing the
Chalice Flame**

Grace

Rafael Jesus Gonzalez

Valediction

*Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again
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Postlude

Salut d'Amour

Elgar
Edgar Bridwell, violin; Elliott Dainow, piano

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The flowers this week have been provided by **Lorraine Calame**.

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

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