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## United Nations Sunday

*Rev. Shawn Gauthier*

*In-person and live streamed from the Sanctuary – October 20, 2024*



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**Regular Office Hours:** Monday to Thursday, 9:30 am to 2 pm

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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/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 (Family Room)

**12:30 pm:** Environment Team (Lindsey-Priestley)

**1 pm:** Starting Point workshop for newcomers (Fireside)

**1 pm:** VanU Youth (Hitschmanova)

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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, OCTOBER 20, 2024

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<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Medley of National Anthems</i>	Elliott Dainow, piano
<b>Words of Welcome &amp; Land Acknowledgement</b>		Rev. Shawn Gauthier
<b>Greeting Our Neighbours</b>		
<b>Opening Hymn</b>	<i>Hymn #188: "Come, Come, Whoever You Are"</i>	
<b>Opening Words</b>		Rev. Shawn Gauthier
<b>Kindling the Chalice Flame</b>		Rev. Shawn Gauthier
<b>Time For All Ages</b>	<i>"Tiny T-Rex"</i>	By Jonathan Stutzman and Jay Fleck Read by Rev. Shawn Gauthier
<b>Song for Leaving</b>	<i>As you go may joy surround you, as you go, go in peace. Know our love is always with you, as you go, as you go.</i>	Words by Suzelle Lynch Music by Ruben Piirainen
<b>Life of the Congregation</b>		Cheryl Amundsen
<b>Offering</b>		Rev. Shawn Gauthier
<b>Offertory</b>	<i>Midsommar</i>	By Jonas Kvarnstrom Elliott Dainow, piano

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.

<b>Community Candles</b>		Audrey Cook
<b>Meditation – Spoken, then Silent</b>		Rev. Shawn Gauthier
<b>Musical Response</b>	<i>Forest Grove</i>	Jonas Kvarnstrom Performed by Elliott Dainow
<b>Reading</b>	<i>"A Brave and Startling Truth"</i>	By Maya Angelou
<b>Reflection</b>		Rev. Shawn Gauthier

**Closing Hymn**

Hymn #159: *“This Is My Song”*

**Presentation of the John Gibbard Award**

Recipient: Evergreen Foundation’s Ambassadors      UN Association of Canada  
Introduction: George Somerwill  
Presentation: Juan Sebastián Mateus  
Ambassadors: Raina Thakrar, Ishan Shah, Ahna Noormohamed, Jayden Noormohamed, Riya Gill, Nikhil Pachchigar, Deeya Parekh, Amisha Puri, Ansh Mathur

Hymn #118: *“This Little Light of Mine”*

**Benediction & Extinguishing the Chalice**

Rev. Shawn Gauthier

**Valediction**

*Carry the flame of peace and love, until we meet again  
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**VANCOUVER UNITARIANS MINISTER & STAFF**

<b>MINISTER</b>	Rev. Shawn Gauthier
<b>DIRECTOR OF LIFESPAN FAITH DEVELOPMENT</b>	Kiersten Moore
<b>DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION</b>	Casey Wallace
<b>MEMBERSHIP OUTREACH COORDINATOR</b>	Derrick O’Keefe
<b>OFFICE COORDINATOR</b>	Marcus Hynes
<b>BOOKKEEPER</b>	Gordon Lowe
<b>CHOIR DIRECTOR</b>	David Buchan
<b>MUSIC DIRECTOR</b>	Elliott Dainow
<b>TECH DIRECTOR</b>	Christian Malcolm
<b>HEAD CARETAKER</b>	Paul Nash
<b>CASUAL CARETAKERS</b>	Vivian Davidson, Edgar Silveira, Abubakar Formuly, Mojave Adin, Rose Chernoff, Nooriya Rokai
<b>YOUTH AND CHILDREN PROGRAM COORDINATORS</b>	Alex Okrainetz, Casey Stainsby
<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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