

We Gather to Worship God

*The Lord be with you... **And also with you***

Announcements

Passing of the Peace (MFUC)

*All are invited to pass the peace from their spot,
offering a sign of peace to your neighbours*

Lighting of the Christ Candle

*We prepare our hearts and minds for worship
with the lighting of the Christ candle.*

Introit:

(WL) In Loving Partnership We Come (VU 603, v1)

(MF) Oh, A Song Must Rise (MV 142, v1 + chorus)

Welcome

* Call to Worship

If it had not been God who was on our side,

the troubles of our world would have swallowed us whole.

If it had not been God who was on our side,

the sorrows of our times would have swept us away.

Are any among us suffering?

Come and pray.

Are any among us cheerful?

Come sing songs of praise.

Are any among us sick?

Come and ask for healing.

Our help is in our God,

the One who made heaven and earth.

Call upon God, creator and rescuer.

God is on our side.

* Hymn: MF: Like a Rock (MV 92)

WL: Open My Eyes (VU 371)

Opening Prayer:

Lord, as we go throughout our day, let us lean into you fiercely in prayer. Let us praise you in our joys and in our sorrows knowing that you are the same God who will see us both the good and the difficult. We pray that as your ambassadors on this earth, we will not be silent, but speak up in love and let

others know that you are the one that sustains us. With you at our right hand, Lord, we will not fall. We pray in the name of the one who calls us to you, AMEN

We Listen for God's Word

* Hymn: This Child of Ours (VU 455 vv1-2)

Wonder Time: Orange Shirts

* Hymn: This Child of Ours (VU 455 v3)

Prayer for Illumination : (unison)

God of extravagant grace,

may your Spirit refresh our hearts

through the reading of the scriptures

that we may perceive all the good we can do for Christ

and so grow in our faith toward Jesus. Amen.

Readings: Psalm 124 (VU p 848, refrain 1)

James 5:13-20

These words are offered as wisdom for our journey.

May we walk together in their truth.

Ministry of Music/ Choir

Sermon/Reflection: We are All in this Boat Together

* Hymn: We are Pilgrims (VU 595)

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering for the Work and Witness of the Church

Offertory

* Offering Response: **(As Those of Old VU 518 v2)**

A world in need now summons us

to labour, love, and give,

to make our life an offering to God, that all may live.

The church of Christ is calling us to make the dream come true:

a world redeemed, by Christ-like love,

all life in Christ make new.

September 29, 2024

* Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People
The Lord's Prayer

We Go Out to Love & Serve God's World

* Hymn: Spirit of Gentleness (VU 375)

* Blessing and Sending Forth

* Choral Commission



**The United Church of Canada
Mount Forest-Woodland Pastoral Charge
Woodland – 9:15 a.m. Mount Forest – 11:00 a.m.
Rev. Lori Campbell**