

# August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025 St. Paul's United Church 308 King St, Midland ON, L4R 3M6 705-526-6077 email stpaulsunited@rogers.com

**Worship Leader: Rev. Kirsty Hunter** 

**Music Director: Victoria Warwick Guest Musician: Amanda Clarke** 

#### **Tech Team:**

Glenn Erwin, Gabriela and Rick Dell, Bruce Wilcox, Marina Comisso, Fran Hill

### **Gathering and Preparation**

#### **Prelude**

#### Welcome

### **Acknowledgement of the Land**

Ahniin. We acknowledge that the land on which St. Paul's United Church is located is the traditional land of the Wendat and Anishinaabe First Nations.

Today, this meeting place is still the home to many Indigenous People from across Turtle Island, including Metis and our neighbours on Christian Island, Beausoleil First Nation. We are grateful to have the opportunity to worship and work on this land. We are all Treaty people.

As we gather, we give thanks for the life and witness of First Nations people. We give thanks for the land, the creatures, and the plants who share this place with all of us.

We commit ourselves to walking in a new way together: a path of healing and hope. Chi-Meegwetch

### **Call to Worship**

We come to worship our God, to listen to the One who calls us here.

We come trusting God to lead us in the coming days, as surely as were our grandparents in the faith.

We come to worship our God, to shout with joy to the God of all people.

We come to the Creator of all things, to be bathed in the waters of life.

We come to pray, and to hope, to be fed by the One who never forsakes us.

We come to worship our God, to sing aloud to the One who saves us.

So, let us worship here together in beloved community

Where all of us belong.

## Opening Prayer Reader: Carol MacDonald

# **Lighting of Christ Candle**

- **Prayer:** As we light this Christ Candle, may it be a reminder, that Christ is us and in our world.
- **Sung Response:** MV#62 There is Room for All

There is room for all in the shadow of God's wing

There is room for all sheltered in God's love

And I rejoice and sing, "my refuge and my rock, in whom I trust

There is room for all, there is room for all."

**Peace of Christ** 

**Song of Praise:** VU#562 Jesus Calls Us

Listening

**Theme Conversation: Preparing** 

The Story: Revelation 7:9-17 Reader: Peggy Wallace

**Reflection Chorus:** MV172v1 God Says

God says, "Be still so you may hear the words I whisper in your ear.

If you will listen you will know

I'm with you always where you go."

**Sermon: A Place for Everyone** 

Responding

Life and Work of the Church

Offering of Thanksgiving

**Offertory Music:** Selection by Amanda Clarke

**Offertory Response:** VU#537 Your Work O God Needs Many Hands

**Celebrations and Concerns** 

**Prayers of the People** Reader: Carol MacDonald

**Going Forth** 

**Song for the Journey:** MV#144 Like a Healing Stream

**Blessing** 

**Closing:** She Walked in the Summer V4

**Postlude**