

# The Story of Ruth Bravery

## BRAVERY

**WORSHIP  
@ST. PAUL'S  
SUNDAY  
June 14, 10AM**



Story of Ruth by John August Swanson



**June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

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## Preparation

**Prelude**

**Processional**                      **As the Wind Song**

**Welcome**

**Check In**                      What is your favourite butter tart (or similar treat)?

### **Acknowledgement of the Land**

Ahniin, We acknowledge that St. Paul's United Church is located on 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, Chimnissing - Beausoleil First Nation. We are grateful to have the opportunity to worship and work on this land. We are all Treaty people.**

This week, we celebrate the persistence and resolve of women across Canada, especially First Nations, Inuit, and Metis women, who have finally seen a law banning forced sterilization pass the House of Commons on June 8, 2026. Nicole Rabbit, one of the survivors said, "It was like they heard us. They listened."

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

### **Call to Worship**

We come together to worship to celebrate publicly,

**to intentionally lift up all gathered,**

to be explicit in our acceptance and kindness for all!

**We come together as the rainbow people of God!**

As we gather to celebrate God's presence

**Together we become beloved community.**

**Opening Prayer**                      **Reader: Pat File**

### **Lighting of Christ Candle**

**Prayer**      As we light this Christ Candle,  
may it remind us that Christ is in us and in our world.

**Sung Response** A Light is Gleaming

**Peace of Christ**

**Stories for All Ages:** I Just Gotta Be Me

**Song of Praise** MV#1 Let Us Build a House

## **Listening**

**Scripture** Ruth 3 **Reader: Marlis Dupuis**

**Sermon** Daring

**Song for Reflection** VU#660 How Firm a Foundation

**Life and Work of the Church** (Announcements)

**Offering of Thanksgiving**

**Offertory Music** Choir

**Offertory Response** VU#538 For the Gift of Creation

**Celebrations and Concerns**

**Prayers: Reader: Pat File**

Call: Living and Loving God,

**Response: May our mouths and hands be tools of justice and love.**

**Song for the Journey:** MV#138 My Love Colours Outside the Lines

**Extinguishing of the Candles**

**Blessing**

**Closing Chorus:** MV#214 Sheltering Wings

**Postlude**