



GRACE UNITED CHURCH
5th after Pentecost
June 28, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.
Worship Leader: Scott Martin, LLWL
Presider: Myrna Adams-Falujo
Music Director: Don Salfarlie

GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD

Band Prelude: **Great is Thy Faithfulness** William M. Runyan

Welcome, Announcements
& Traditional Land Acknowledgment Myrna Adams-Falujo

Call to Worship Myrna Adams-Falujo

One: Something new is stirring in our church

All: A different voice comes to us

One: Make us ready to receive this new Word

All: Open our hearts and renew our spirits.

One: Let us be the voice of welcome, the spirit of joy

**All: Let us be those who bring the life to others,
Let us worship God!**

Lighting the Christ Candle Myrna Adams-Falujo

From east to west, from north to south, from ocean to ocean, we gather to worship as people have in this land we call Canada for generations. As we come together, we light the Christ candle to remind ourselves that God's light shines among us and is the foundation of our hope and our home.

Opening Prayer Myrna Adams-Falujo

Redeeming Christ, you welcome us today with joy and peace. We thank you for your presence with us. As we gather in this community and share our faith, we open our hearts to the future. We ask that you make us a blessing to others. Prepare us to serve and celebrate your name. Teach us to share willingly with others. Fill us again with your spirit, for we ask this in Jesus's name. Amen.

Praise and Worship 1: Led by the Choir - Organ and flute Accom.
For the Healing of the Nations VU #678

Children's Moment: Scott Martin, LLWL
Song: This Land is Your Land (Chorus, vs 1, chorus)

Led by Andy Keay

Children leave for Sunday School

TO DISCOVER THE WORD OF GOD FOR TODAY

Scripture Reading: Matthew 10: 37-42 NIV MacLeod Nichols

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God!

National Anthem - O Canada (Verse 1 only)

Canada Day Poem:

CANADA is my country

and I'm proud to call it "Home".

**Her beauty will always call me back
wherever I might roam.**

**God gave us this great country -
entrusting we'd keep it free;**

**And this is what we strive to do
as everyone can see.**

**Canada's people are diverse -
a balance to make us strong.**

**Variety is the spice of life
and our list of cultures is long.**

**From North to South; East to West,
each Province is unique -**

**But all "proud to be Canadian" -
nothing else would be complete.**

**On July 1st we'll wave our flag -
the "Maple Leaf" will fly**

**In cities, towns, and open plains -
on water and in the sky.**

**We'll celebrate with music and dance
and, of course, "The Snowbirds" won't hide;**

Our R.C.M.P on proud black steeds,
will entertain with the "Musical Ride".
At dusk, we'll watch the fireworks;
they'll be all across our land
And tiny tots to centenarians will know -
Canada holds us in her hand.
We are thankful that Canada brings out our best
and we're proud that we are free;
This is the way we like it -
and this is how it will be.
We all unite and sing our praise
the good old-fashioned way;
H A P P Y B I R T H D A Y Canada !

@ Joan Adams Burchell June 13, 2004

Reflection: A Cup of Cold Water, it Doesn't Get
any Better Than That! Scott Martin, LLWL

TO RESPOND IN FAITH AND HOPE

Offering Invitation

Offertory / Special Music: Madriaga family
Holy Forever Chris Tomlin

Offering Response: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
VU #541

Offertory Prayer

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Praise and Worship 2: Led by the Choir
Come Touch Our Hearts MV #12 (verses 1 to 4 only)

THE CHURCH SCATTERS TO LIVE ITS FAITH IN THE WORLD

Commissioning

Go forth into the world welcoming everyone into life of Christ and
give them a cup of cold water as their reward along their way.
(silence)

Now, may the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and
fellowship of the Holy Spirit go with you always.
And may the Lord turn his face towards you and give you peace.
Go Now in Peace. AMEN

Benediction: Go Now in Peace

D. Besig & N. Price

Postlude: I The Lord of Sea and Sky

Daniel L. Shutte

COFFEE TIME FOR JULY & AUGUST

During the months of July and August
we will give our dedicated kitchen
volunteers a well-deserved break.
Instead of hot drinks we will be serving
COLD DRINKS (iced tea, lemonade and
water) along with our usual goodies.

