

**July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025** 4<sup>th</sup> after Pentecost.

The Women of Summer: Ruth, Naomi, and Orpah

**Thought to ponder:** *"Do not press me to leave you, to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people and your God my God. Where you die, I will die, and there will I be buried. May the Lord do thus to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!"* Ruth 1: 16-17

**Welcome**

**Announcements, Life & Work of the Church**

**Prelude: TLUS #96**

**All My Life I will Seek Your Face**

*\*This Sunday all music except "Shoes" will be from the new hymn book "Then Let Us Sing" (TLUS)*

**Passing the Peace:**

One: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you**

**Acknowledgement of the Territories:**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle:**

**Call to Worship:**

One: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

**All: We will sing to the glory of God with resounding praise.**

One: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"

**All: God has turned our mourning into dancing and clothed us with joy.**

One: Let all the earth worship God and sing praises to God's holy name.

**All: O Lord, our God, we will give  
thanks to you forever.**

One: Come, let us worship God

**Hymn: TLUS #30**

**We're the Light of all the World vs 1 & 4**

We're the light of all the world,  
we are a city on the hill,  
We're a candle on a stand proclaiming light.  
We will not hide our lamp  
beneath a bushel anymore  
We will shine a ray of hope  
that's burning bright.

**We are a rainbow,  
sign of covenant and peace  
For the flood of tears  
will fin'ly cease to be.**

**Come shine your rainbow,  
splash your hues across the sky,  
Paint the world in colours  
proud and bold and free.**

When we face the storms of life,  
we will never be alone  
For our God will be with us on the way.  
Here we are, side by side,  
we won't be frightened anymore,  
As the mourning night of tears  
breaks into day.

**Refrain**

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**Gathering Prayer:**

**God of mourning and of dancing, we come into your presence to find new inspiration within our scriptures. Give us eyes to see strangers as friends. Give us ears to hear new voices. Give us minds open to fresh perspectives. Give us courage to let go of old prejudices and judgments. Give us understanding to be open to new stories. Give us hearts made whole by the power of your Spirit. Amen.**

**Time for Young at Heart:**

**Monsters under the bed!**

**Ministry of Music:**

***TLUS #6 God Lights a Lamp***

**Prayer of Illumination:****Scripture:**

**Psalm 30** God turns my mourning into dancing  
**Ruth 1: 2b-18**

**Ministry of Music: Shoes!**

**Reflection: Which way you going Naomi? Can I go too?**

**Hymn: TLUS #35 Bless The Lord, O My Soul**

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,  
Worship your holy name.**

**Sing like never before, O my soul.**

**I'll worship your holy name.**

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning;  
It's time to sing your song again.

Whatever may pass,  
and whatever lies before me,  
Let me be singing when the evening comes.

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.  
Your name is great and your heart is kind.  
For all your goodness I will keep on singing;  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

**Refrain**

And on that day  
when my strength is failing,  
The end draws near,  
and my time has come.

Still my soul will sing your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore!

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul,  
Worship your holy name.**

**Sing like never before, O my soul.**

**I'll worship your holy name.**

**Worship your holy name,**

**Worship your holy name.**

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## **Prayers of the People**

One: God of all the earth,

**All: Teach us to live in love.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom  
come, thy will be done on earth as it is  
in heaven. Give us this day our daily  
bread, and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass  
against us; and lead us not into  
temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the  
power, and the glory, for ever and  
ever. Amen.**

## **Dedication for Then Let Us Sing Hymnbooks:**

**Prayer:**

**Presentation of the Gifts:**

## **Words of Dedication:**

One: In the name of the holy and triune  
God: Creator, Christ, and Spirit,

**All: We dedicate these hymnbooks to  
the glory of God.**

One: With gratitude and reverence,

**All: We dedicate these hymnbooks to  
the glory of God.**

One: For the worship and singing out God's  
glory,

**All: We dedicate these hymnbooks to the glory of God.**

One: In remembrance of Frank and Bev Folkins,

**All: We dedicate these hymnbooks to the glory of God.**

One: Let us pray...

**All: God you are the Singer and the Song; you call us to enter your gates with thanksgiving, to make a joyful noise in praise of you. Bless the use of these hymn books we dedicate today. May we sing psalms and hymns with heart and soul and voice all our lives, and in the life of perfect praise yet to come. Amen.**

**Invitation to Generosity:**

**Prayer of Dedication:**

**Generous God, you have blessed our lives with gifts, both visible and invisible. We offer our gifts in gratitude, to build up your love in the world around us. Bless all that we give to make a difference in the lives of others. Amen.**

**Hymn: TLUS #54****I Know That Ev'ry Time I Pray** 3X (refrain only)

**I know that ev'ry time I pray,  
 It shines a light along the way.  
 It makes the night as bright as day,  
 And ev'ry where I go is home.  
 And ev'ry time I call the Name,  
 It brings me joy,  
 where there was pain.  
 I know my life's not lived in vain;  
 I'm not alone.**

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**Benediction:****Sung Benediction: TLUS# 104****May The Peace of Christ**

**May the peace of Christ be with you,  
 May the love of God  
 dwell deep in your heart.  
 May the Spirit enlighten your way,  
 May your walk  
 in the comfort of God's care.**

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## **Announcements**

**July 6, 2025 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**Reader for this week: Gordon**

**Reader for next week: Elaine**

**Greeter this week: Jean Thompson**

**Greeter next week: Linda Hunt**

**Tellers this week: Susan and Lori**

**Tellers next week: Brenda and Bonnie**

**A/V this week: Lisa**

**A/V next week: Al**

### **Sunday**

9:30 Coffee Time via Zoom

10:00 Sunday Service -

### **Next Sunday**

9:30 Coffee Time via Zoom

10:00 Service -

**Strawberry Festival:** At Salisbury United Church,  
76 Smith Street. July 16th from 6:00-8:00PM. Take  
out only. Choose from the following: strawberries,



strawberry shortcake, strawberries and cake, cake. Gluten free options available. Cost is \$8.00

**Strawberry Supper:** Takeout only \$15. July 12<sup>th</sup> at the Belleisle Creek Hall. Potato Salad, ham, rolls, coleslaw, homemade beans, strawberry shortcake

**Lisa will be running 5K** while at General council in Calgary. Alvin Dixon was a residential school survivor who blessed the united church with his wisdom and leadership. A scholarship fund was established in his memory after his passing. The Alvin Dixon Memorial Bursary Fund, through the united church foundation, supports Indigenous students entering or continuing post-secondary education or study at religious and spiritual centres. Lisa is looking for folks to donate \$1 per km. Thank you!

**Good News and Caring Corner:** If you have some good news you want shared with the congregation, let us know and we'll pass it on. If there is someone you think should have a card from the caring corner for whatever reason, please see the attendant in the corner, or call the office.

**Offering Envelopes** are available at the office or on the table in the entryway. If you are using them for the first time, be sure to have your name and address on the first one so we can get you your tax receipt at the end of the year.

**Grocery Cards:** We will be available (as we are able) before and after church for you to purchase cards and cards are available for purchase in the office during regular business hours.

**Contact information: Please keep your contact information and addresses updated so we can get information out to you. An inaccurate address may lead to delays for tax receipts. Thanks.**

A reminder that you may be on our video presentation as we are broadcasting our services on Facebook.

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pwd=7lAYtPHcGTE

If you know of anyone needing help, please contact the office or Rev. Jenn Brown.