

Canada Day Celebration

Sunday, June 28, 2026

We Gather As God's Children

Welcome and Announcements

The Acknowledgement

Centring Music Honour and Praise
Twila Paris, CCLI song #1867485

Lighting of the Christ Candle

We light this candle as a symbol of our intention to be open and attentive to God's presence.

We turn to the Christ light as we worship with a spirit of love.

We light this candle as a visible reminder that we are committed to working toward creative change in this nation and the world.

May this candle burn brightly each and every day, through us as we live a life of service.

National Anthem **O Canada** (Voices United 524)

*Words: Robert Stanley Weir 1908,
Music: melody Calixa Lavallée ca. 1880; harm. William Smith Dingman ca. 1930
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O Canada! Our home and native land!
True patriot love in all our lives command.
With glowing hearts, we see thee rise,
the True North strong and free!
From far and wide, O Canada,
we stand on guard for thee.
God keep our land glorious and free!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

Morning Prayer

A Time to Wonder

Hymn **This Is God's Wonderous World** (Voices United 296)

Words: Maltbie Davenport Babcock 1901, alt.

Music: English traditional melody;

adapt. Franklin L. Sheppard 1915; adapt. Stanley Oliver 1929© Music ©

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- 1 This is God's wondrous world,
and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.
This is God's wondrous world;
I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas,
God's hand the wonders wrought.
- 2 This is God's wondrous world:
the birds their carols raise;
the morning light, the lily white,
declare their Maker's praise.
This is God's wondrous world:
God shines in all that's fair;
in the rustling grass or mountain pass,
God's voice speaks everywhere.
- 3 This is God's wondrous world:
O let me ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is God's wondrous world:
why should my heart be sad?
Let voices sing, let the heavens ring:
God reigns, let earth be glad!

We Listen For God's Word

Poem "The Moment" Margaret Atwood

*Atwood, Margaret. "The Moment" from Morning In The Burned House.
McClelland & Stewart Publishers, 1995.*

Reflection "Odds and Ends"

Hymn of the Day **It's a Song of Praise to the Maker** (More Voices 30)

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- 1 It's a song of praise to the Maker,
the thrush sings high in the tree.
It's a song of praise to the Maker,
the gray whale sings in the sea,
And by the Spirit you and I
can join our voice to the holy cry
and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.
- 2 It's a call of life to the Giver
when waves and waterfalls roar.
It's a call of life to the Giver
when high tides break on the shore,
And by the Spirit you and I
can join our voice to the holy cry
and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.
- 3 It's a hymn of love to the Lover;
the bumblebees hum along.
It's a hymn of love to the Lover;
the summer breeze joins the song,
And by the Spirit you and I
can join our voice to the holy cry
and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.

- 4 It's a chorus of all creation;
it's sung by all living things.
It's the chorus of all creation;
a song the universe sings,
And by the Spirit you and I
can join our voice to the holy cry
and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.

We Live Out Our Faith to Love and Serve

Invitation to Offering

Offering Music

Grace Alone

Scott Wesley Brown & Jeff Nelson, CCLI song # 2335524

Offering Response **We Have Been Called**

*Words and Music: Bret Hesla; Accompaniment: Tom Witt
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We have been called,
we have been called to celebrate,
our home here in love's wide embrace.
To bear in mind, to bear in mind all that we share;
to join the song of love's good ways.
Hallelujah, we have been called,
to join the song of love's good ways.

Offering Prayer

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayers

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

Adapted from Matthew 6: 9-13 Words & Music Glenn Parsons

Our God, who is in Heaven
Holy is Your name.
Your kin-dom come,
Your will be done
on earth as it is in Heav'n.
Give us this day our daily bread,
forgive the ways that we turn from You
and help us to forgive.
Lead us not to things that tempt us,
save us from all evil,
for Yours is the kin-dom
the pow'r and the glory
for ever and ever. Amen.

Parting Hymn **This Land Is Your Land**

Woodie Guthrie, arr. Glenn Parsons

Chorus This land is your land, This land is my land,
From Bonavista, to Vancouver Island
From the Arctic Circle to the Great Lakes waters,
This land was made for you and me.

- 1 As I went walking that ribbon of highway,
I saw above me that endless skyway;
I saw below me that golden valley
This land was made for you and me.
- 2 I roamed and I rambled and I followed my footsteps,
To the sparkling sands of her diamond deserts;
While all around me a voice was sounding,
Saying this land was made for you and me.
- 3 The sun came shining, and I was strolling,
And the wheat fields waving and the dust clouds rolling;
As the fog was lifting, a voice was chanting,
This land was made for you and me.

Chorus This land is your land, this land is my land,
From Bonavista to Vancouver Island;
From the Arctic Circle to the Great Lakes waters,
This land was made for you and me.

Benediction

Postlude

Hear Our Praises

Reuben Morgan, CCLI song # 2543402

Worship Leadership – Pastor Beth Parsons
Music Leadership – Glenn Parsons and the CBUC Choir
The Life and Work of the Church – Pastor Beth Parsons
The Call to Worship – The Spirit Kids
The Spirit Kids Program – Grace Cave and Moira Dennis
Offering Invitation and Prayer – Peggy Dayton
Morning Prayer and Scripture – Atholl Malcolm
Greeters – Linda Snelling and Tony Rozario
Technical Support – Rob Glenn and Louise Johnston
Fellowship Time – Men's Breakfast Group
The flowers for this service are offered by Barbara Waldner.