

**BULLETIN NOTATIONS**

**VU**-Voices United Hymn Book | **MV**-More Voices Hymn Book  
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**\* Indicates to please stand, if able**

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*GATHERING HYMN:** VU 291 “All Things Bright and Beautiful”

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Let us enter this place together, ready to worship with thanksgiving for the abundance of God that we experience every day.

**God gave us a wide and wondrous world in which to live.**

Here, in this holy place, in community, surrounded by the wonders of God’s glorious Creation, we will worship with prayer, song, hearts, and minds.

**This is the day that God has made!**

**Let us rejoice and be glad!**

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

GATHERING PRAYER:

**Holy God, Sustainer, Creator,**

**you who are creating everything in goodness, you who rested after the heavens and the earth were completed may we enter into this holy, blessed day and experience the goodness of Sabbath rest.**

**May we be open to receive your voice as we silence ourselves.**

**May we rest in your promise that you provide enough for all, if we just share.**

**May the Holy Spirit stir our hearts to keep the Sabbath holy and find Sabbath peace and justice.**

**This we pray through the name of Jesus, our blessed redeemer and friend. Amen.**

**WE LISTEN**

**\*HYMN:** VU pg. 820 “Make a Joyful Noise - Psalm 100”

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SCRIPTURE READING: Philippians 4:4–9

*READER: Sheila Laundry*

<sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

<sup>8</sup> Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. <sup>9</sup> Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

Let us hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM: “Sing To the Lord of Harvest” ~ By H Willian

MESSAGE: “Gratitude in Practice and Presence”

**We Respond**

**\*HYMN:** VU 232 “Joyful, Joyful We Adore You”

INVITATION TO OFFERING

**\*SUNG RESPONSE:** VU 540

**Grant us, God, the grace of giving,  
with a spirit large and free,  
that ourselves and all our living  
we may offer faithfully.**

OFFERING PRAYER:

**Holy One, you have called us friends and named us partners in your work of Creation. Accept the gifts we bring and bless them for your use, that they may reveal to others the depth of your love for all people and for Creation itself. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer (sung VU 959)

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed by your name;  
Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil  
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,  
Now and forever.**

## WE GO OUT TO SERVE

**\*CLOSING HYMN:** VU 226 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

**\*BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

**LARGE PRINT HYMNS and RESPONSIVE READINGS**  
are available on the pew as you enter the sanctuary.

**AFTER WORSHIP**, everyone is invited to stay  
for refreshments and fellowship  
in the Lower Hall on the lower level.

## **PRAYER LIST**

As we face life's challenges, we are encouraged by those who surround us with their prayers. If you would like your name to appear on the prayer list, please tell the minister or a member of the Pastoral Care Committee.

## UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS

Oct 19 – 9:30 am Worship Service  
Oct 26 – 9:30 am Worship Service  
Nov 2 – 9:30 am Worship Service

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**DEFIBRILLATOR:** has reviewed the defibrillator file and note that the training that was given to 9 people was done in 2017. We do not have a list of those people who were trained and also feel it is time for a refresher. We will schedule a training session once we have some volunteers. If you have been trained either through our church or elsewhere and would be willing to help in an emergency would you please notify our church office. If you have not been trained but are interested please also let the church office know and we will set up a class once we have enough volunteers. Thank you.

**FOR HUNTINGTON DISEASE:** Gail DeKoning is selling Amaryllis Plants again for Huntington Disease. They are \$17 each and will be here around the first week of November. Please let her know if you would like to order any.

**GAMES IN THE AFTERNOON:** Tuesdays at 2pm in the Friendship room. Come out and join the fun!

**BOOK CLUB:** meets the 4th Thursday of each month at 1:30 pm in the Friendship Room at the church. October's book is "Hamnet" by Maggie O'Farrell, October 23 at 1:30 pm. All are welcome!

**"She is Back":** Diane Watters has agreed to conduct her fun and lively nutrition classes. The first date is October 23rd at 10:30 am and the second date is November 27th at 10:30 am. Now we have more space we can accommodate you and your friends. We are still planning some cooking classes so bring your calendar books and be prepared to learn and have fun!

## **TO MAKE A DONATION TO FONTHILL UNITED CHURCH, YOU ARE WELCOME TO:**

- 1) Mail a cheque to the church at: Fonthill United Church, Box 926, Fonthill ON L0S 1E0.
- 2) Drop your cheque donation, anytime, through the mail slot in the exterior office door at the church.
- 3) Bring cash donations into the office when the church office is open.
- 4) Send an e-transfer to: [fonthilu@vaxxine.com](mailto:fonthilu@vaxxine.com).

- 5) Sign up for the pre-authorized remittance program (PAR).  
Contact the church office to register.

***Donations on Sundays may be placed in the offering plate at the entrance to the sanctuary. We thank you for your support!***

Church Office Hours for this week:

Mon-Fri - 8-12pm

**Please call before coming in to ensure your needs can be met**

#### THE WEEK AHEAD AT FONTHILL UNITED

|                  |          |                      |
|------------------|----------|----------------------|
| Monday Oct 13    |          | Thanksgiving         |
| Tuesday Oct 14   | 8:00 am  | Montessori Preschool |
|                  | 9:00 am  | Badminton            |
|                  | 2:00 pm  | Music Lessons        |
|                  | 2:00 pm  | Afternoon Games      |
| Wednesday Oct 15 | 8:00 am  | Montessori Preschool |
|                  | 1:30 pm  | Outreach Meeting     |
|                  | 1:30 pm  | Pickle Ball          |
|                  | 2:30 pm  | Music Lessons        |
|                  | 3:30 pm  | Music Lessons        |
|                  | 6:00 pm  | Cubs                 |
| Thursday Oct 16  | 8:00 am  | Montessori Preschool |
|                  | 9:00 am  | Badminton            |
|                  | 10:00 am | Walking Group        |
|                  | 1:30 pm  | Book Club            |
|                  | 2:00 pm  | Music Lessons        |
|                  | 3:00 pm  | Choir Practice       |
| Friday Oct 17    | 8:00 am  | Montessori Preschool |
|                  | 12:30 pm | Music Lessons        |
|                  | 6:30 pm  | Pickle Ball          |
| Saturday Oct 18  | 11:00 am | Music Lessons        |
| Sunday Oct 19    | 9:30 am  | Sunday Service       |

## Fonthill United Church

October 12, 2025

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#### MISSION STATEMENT

Words inspire us. Music uplifts us.  
United in God's love,  
we strive to be an inclusive community,  
learning together and supporting others with compassion.

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