BULLETIN NOTATIONS

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PRELUDE: "Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring" ~ JS Bach

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome Rev. James McKnight as he co-presides for the sacrement of communion this morning.

We welcome Marcela who is sharing her musical gifts with us this morning on cello.

*GATHERING HYMN: MV 12 "Come Touch Our Hearts"

Come touch our hearts that we may know compassion, from failing embers build a blazing fire; love strong enough to overturn injustice, to seek a world more gracious, come touch and bless our hearts.

Come touch our souls that we may know and love you, your quiet presence all our fears dispel; create a space for spirit to grow in us, let life and beauty fill us, come touch and bless our souls.

Come touch our minds and teach us how to reason, set free our thoughts to wonder and to dream; help us to open doors of understanding, to welcome truth and wisdom, come touch and bless our minds.

Come touch us in the moments we are fragile, and in our weakness your great strength reveal; that we may rise to follow and to serve, steady now our nerve, come touch and bless our wills.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

We have gathered to worship God.

We have come seeking comfort, inspiration, community, and insight.

We have come to open ourselves to the power of God's presence in our midst.

We have come to offer up the seasons and the turnings in our lives, and to ask God's help in our learning and growing.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

OPENING PRAYER

CHOIR ANTHEM: "When We Meet at Your Table. Lord"

~ by D. Govenor

WE LISTEN

SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 17:5–10

READER: Trudy Pickersgill

⁵ The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!"

⁶ He replied, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you.

⁷ "Suppose one of you has a servant plowing or looking after the sheep. Will he say to the servant when he comes in from the field, 'Come along now and sit down to eat'? ⁸ Won't he rather say, 'Prepare my supper, get yourself ready and wait on me while I eat and drink; after that you may eat and drink'? ⁹ Will he thank the servant because he did what he was told to do? ¹⁰ So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty.'"

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

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE: "A Mustard Seed Like Faith?"

We Respond

*HYMN: VU 460 "All Who Hunger"

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INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER:

Welcoming God, receive our hearts and fill us with your Spirit that we may be able to offer ourselves in service to you. Strengthen us when our resolve weakens and we put ourselves first. Awaken us as a congregation to recognize the need around us. Make us a community of love and service, joining with the efforts and energy of all those who strive to make your children and planet whole. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

COMMUNION LITURGY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal God, Maker of heaven and earth...

[...]

We gather with those of every time and every place

To give you praise and glory:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

REMEMBERING JESUS AT THE TABLE

PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer (sung VU 959)

Loving God, we rejoice in the gift of your grace, remembering Christ's life and death, proclaiming his resurrection,

waiting in hope for his coming again.
Grant that, in praise and thanksgiving,
we may so offer ourselves to you
that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Send, O God, your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who share in this loaf and cup may be the body of Christ: light, life, and love in the world. In this hope and as your people, we praise you.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, God most holy, now and forever.

Amen.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*CLOSING HYMN: VU 506 "Take My Life and Let It Be"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "March in D Major" ~ By C.P.E. Bach

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

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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 12 – 9:30 am Worship Service

Oct 19 – 9:30 am Worship Service

Oct 26 – 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.

THE UCW: We'll be meeting at the church on Oct 8th at 1pm. All women are welcome!

GAMES IN THE AFTERNOON: Commencing Tuesday, Oct 7th (and weekly afterwards) 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!

OCTOBER 5 – LUNCH AFTER CHURCH: The Outreach Committee will be hosting a luncheon after Church to continue with the theme of Breaking Bread Together on World Communion Sunday. Please join us for soup, bread, pie, tea, coffee, and friendship.

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 LOS 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.
 - 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 6	8:00 am	Montessori School
	4:00 pm	Music Lessons
	6:30 pm	Pickle Ball
Tuesday Oct 7	8:00 am	Montessori Preschool
	9:00 am	Badminton
	2:00 pm	Music Lessons
	2:00 pm	Afternoon Games
Wednesday Oct 8	8:00 am	Montessori Preschool
	1:00 pm	UCW Meeting
	1:30 pm	Pickle Ball
	2:30 pm	Music Lessons
	3:30 pm	Music Lessons
	6:00 pm	A Cappella Practice
	6:00 pm	Cubs
Thursday Oct 9	8:00 am	Montessori Preschool
	9:00 am	Badminton
	10:00 am	Walking Group
	2:00 pm	Music Lessons
	3:00 pm	Choir Practice
Friday Oct 10	8:00 am	Montessori Preschool
	12:30 pm	Music Lessons
	6:30 pm	Pickle Ball
Saturday Oct 11	11:00 am	Music Lessons
Sunday Oct 12	9:30 am	Sunday Service – Thanksgiving

Fonthill United Church October 5, 2025

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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