GATHERING AS COMMUNITY

PRELUDE

WELCOME & TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Hadih, Bundada honzoo, welcome in the name of The Christ. All: Welcome to this place of worship, situated on the

Ancestral and unceded lands of the Lheidli T'enneh people.

Welcome to this place of blessing, this space of grace, and this holy sanctuary.

This place where we discern how to live into the way of Jesus. All: We gather this morning to share in song, word, and prayer, to publicly, intentionally, and explicitly affirm that we are all an expression of the divine's holy light.

Be welcomed.

All: Be present.

Be a blessing.

LIFE & MINISTRY

THE PEACE OF CHRIST SHARED WITH ALL

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you.

LEARNING AND SPEAKING PEACE – Lheidli Dakelh

Peace of Christ be with you – Dez-ghel nawhulh 'unt'oh And also with you – Cha nyulh 'unt'oh

† HYMN: Are you Lost? TLUS#61

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Rev. B: Let us gather our praise, lift our thanksgiving,

share our hosannas.

Let us find the song that celebrates God

and thank the creator for our living.

Rev. B: In this place let us open the words that bless God for love's goodness,

Let us worship.

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST AND RECONCILIATION

GROUNDING IN THE HOLY ONE

EMBRACING GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE

WA: Beloved, know this day and always that God's love is for everyone. That love is for every race, gender, orientation, ability, age, and story – none excluded, all embraced. Even when we don't feel loved, or wanted, valued, or affirmed, the Holy embraces us with open arms, calling us their own.

P: God's love holds us. It gives us courage to express our gratitude and life into Christ's way of love and justice as we embody hope for one another.

† HYMN: Come, Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love VU#574

A STORY FOR THE AGES

Lectionary@Home: Jeremiah 18:1-11; Palm 139; Philemon 1-21; & Luke 14:25-33

FOCUS READINGS: 1 Samuel 8:1-21

WA: This is the witness of The Church.

M: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM: It is Good

SERMON: The Thanksgiving Lens

HOLY QUIET

BEING THE CHURCH THROUGH SERVICE

† HYMN: All Things Bright and Beautiful VU#291

COMMUNITY AND DISCIPLES' PRAYER

SHARING OUR GIFTS FOR MINISTRY OFFERTORY PRAYER (Unison)

We give you thanks, O God, for the skills, abilities, and resources that you have entrusted to us. The harvest is plentiful, and we are your grateful workers. Bless the work of our voices, hands, and feet as we seek to build your kindom one gospel act of love at a time. Amen.

† HYMN: I'm Gonna Sit at the Welcome Table TLUS#28

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

THE INVITATION
SHARING THE PLATE AND THE CUP

Server: The bread of life, broken for you.

People: Amen.

Server: The cup of blessing, poured out for you.

People: Amen.

RETURNING THANKS

We are to be labourers and learners of God's expansive love. Fill us with the courage of those you send, as in Luke: to go, to proclaim that your kin-dom is near, to heal, and to offer peace. Lift up the lowly and feed the hungry, as your song in Samuel promises; turn over the tables of greed and set your people free. Empower us with your Spirit as we ground ourselves in thanksgiving, proclaiming the good news, practicing mercy, and working for justice. Amen.

†COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION

†HYMN: Bambelela (Never Give Up) TLUS#103

POSTLUDE



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You are ... Wanted ... Valued ... Included ... Affirmed

Sunday, September 7, 2025 - 10:00 AM Theme: Prayer: Thanksgiving

†indicates stand as you are able - MV = More Voices

Bold indicates participation by the people - VU = Voices United - TLUS = Then Let Us Sing

Core Values: Living Faith - Inclusive Fellowship Joyful Service - Being Anti-Racist - Affirming All



PARTICIPATING IN WORSHIP LEADERSHIP TODAY: Worship Leader – Rev. Dr. Bob Fillier; Worship Assistant – Roberta Long; Pianist – Vic Steblin; Choir Director – Erica Skowron; Associate Choir Director – Diane Kjorven; Adult Choir; Digital Ministry – Rebecca Fillier