

# Gladwin Heights United Church

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**Season of Creation 2**

**September 14, 2025**

## **WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE**

++ Please rise in body or spirit

MV = More Voices; VU = Voices United;

TLUS = Then Let Us Sing

### **PRELUDE**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **GREETING:**

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

#### **TERRITORY ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

*We worship on the unceded territory of the Halq'eméylem-speaking peoples.*

### **CANDLE LIGHTING**

#### **WE WELCOME EACH OTHER:**

We greet our siblings in the faith!

**We come to celebrate God's presence,**  
and God's love expressed through Jesus Christ.

**We come remembering Christ's life and ministry,**  
and the life we are called to live.

**We come as a pilgrim people**  
**searching for ways to live out our faith.**

We come seeking the strength to carry on our journey.

**Let us rejoice in God's gift to us!**

#### **WE CENTRE IN GOD:**

Wondrous God:

you touch our lives with healing and with justice;  
new life is your gift.

**We praise you for the Good News**  
**which is ours through Jesus Christ.**

May this time of worship nourish us  
with your promise of meaning and purpose.

**May we be empowered to carry your goodness**  
**into the coming week.**

We pray in Jesus' name, our Source and Saviour.

++**HYMN:** MV 30 – "It's a Song of Praise to the Maker"

#### **WE OPEN OURSELVES TO GOD:**

God of love and of grace,  
you know the secrets of our hearts:  
how blind we are to our own faults,  
yet harsh in judging others;  
how swift we are to take for gain,  
yet slow to give for others;  
how proud we are of our success,  
yet grudging in our praise of others.  
Remember, O God,  
your tender care and love unfailing.  
Do not remember our sins and offences,  
but remember us in your goodness,  
in accordance with your endless mercy.

*[Silent Prayer]*

#### **AND WE ARE ACCEPTED:**

Even those things that are hidden from memory,  
or are too deep for our words,  
are not beyond God's forgiving love.  
God, who knows us completely,  
bestows pardon; peace; and new life.

**WE RESPOND:** TLUS 84 - “Heleluyan”

## **WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD**

### **TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART**

**SCRIPTURE:**      **Reader: Kate Jordan**

1 Corinthians 1:10-23

Psalm 104:14-23, 31

Luke 12:22-31

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **SERMON:**

**++HYMN:** “When Our Daily Bread”

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD’S LOVE**

### **PASSING THE PEACE:**

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

### **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER** TLUS 70 [*Sung*]

### **MISSION AND SERVICE STORIES**

### **INVITATION TO THE OFFERING:**

Let us present our offering to the work of God.

**++OFFERTORY:** VU 542 – “We Give You But Your Own”

We give you but your own,

whate’er the gift may be.

All that we have is yours alone;

we give it gratefully.

*The offering is brought forward.*

### **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS:**

We thank you now for your gifts, God.

**We thank you for time, for talent, for treasure -  
all that enables us to live and to serve you.**

But most of all, we thank you for wonder:

the sense of awe that connects us

to the depth and width of your creation,

the sweep of your grand vision for us.

**Caught up in wonder, singing your story,  
we offer our selves to you.**

**++HYMN:** VU 448 – “We Know That Christ is Raised”

## **WE GO OUT TO SERVE GOD**

### **++COMMISSIONING AND BENEDICTION**

**EXTROIT:** From MV 145

Draw the circle wide. Draw it wider still.

Let this be our song, no one stands alone,

standing side by side, draw the circle wide.

Let the dreams we dream be larger,

than we’ve ever dreamed before;

let the dream of Christ be in us,

open every door.

Draw the circle wide. Draw it wider still.

Let this be our song, no one stands alone,

standing side by side, draw the circle wide.

**END OF WORSHIP**

**BEGINNING OF SERVICE IN THE COMMUNITY**

*Prayers in this worship service are taken from Celebrate God’s Presence.*