

SEEKING GOD TOGETHER

PRELUDE Prelude on “St. Columba” (Greg Chmura)

WELCOME AND CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Lighting of the Christ Candle

**Acknowledgement of Territory/Every Child Matters/
Rainbow Candle of Inclusion** Paula Hanna

CALL TO WORSHIP

I was glad when they said to me:

let us go to the house of the Lord.

And now, here we are!

We have come to this place

ready to be a community of God’s people;

Ready to listen, ready to hear,

Ready to celebrate, ready to care.

Let us be ready for the Spirit

who cannot be contained within these walls;

Who unites us with many who are no longer here,

and with those who are yet to arrive.

Come, let us worship the God of new life!

***HYMN** Come, Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love p5

OPENING PRAYER

We come into your presence, Loving God, with joy and thanksgiving, with curiosity and hope. You have given us the gift of life, and we are overwhelmed by the beauty and the opportunities of life in your world. Be with us in our praise and in our prayers, that our minds might be open to that Word you have for each of us. Help us listen. Help us hear. Help us reach out in love. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE Sing, Sing Out! (Hannah/Melhorne-Boe)

MV 180

Sing, sing out! Sing a new song.

Sing oh people as one voice! Sing, sing out!

Sing a new song. Sing of God. Each heart rejoice! Repeat

FINDING GOD TOGETHER

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 34 pt 1 & 2 p 6

Kathie Blackman

GIFT OF MUSIC Amazing Grace

(J Newton, early Amer melody, arr. J Coates Jr.)

Bob McRoberts, Bass

GOSPEL John 6:35, 41-51 p 97-98 NRSV

Rev. Tim Dayfoot

SERMON *Finding the Bread of Life*

***HYMN** Bread of Life, Feed My Soul (Stephen Spencer, arr Rick Gunn)

Bread of Life, feed my soul, as the presence of the Spirit makes me whole, Bread of life, fill my heart with the grace and mercy you impart.

I have heard your voice calling, Come, my friend, and share in the feast that is laid out for you to show how much I care

Bread of life, help me live a life as pure and true as Jesus did. Bread of life, help me see the boundless love of Christ for you and me.

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SHARING GOD’S LOVE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY Mary, Did You Know?
(Mark Lowry/Buddy Greene, arr. J. Schrader)
Rev Tim & Leta Dayfoot

***DEDICATION** Grateful (T. Tomaszek) MV 182
Grateful for the life you give us, thankful for your Holy Son, joyful in
your Spirit flowing over all,
O God of love. Grateful for the Bread of Heaven,
thankful for your Holy Word, joyful in your mercy flowing,
we will praise you.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYER PRELUDE There Is Room For All MV 62
There is room for all in the shadow of God's wing;
there is room for all, sheltered in God's love.
And I rejoice and sing, 'my refuge and my
rock in whom I trust.' There is room for all,
there is room for all.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER (VU p.910)

***HYMN** Break Now the Bread of Life p 5

***COMMISSIONING**

***SUNG BLESSING** Wherever You May Go MV 216
Wherever you may go, I will follow, and your people shall
be my people too. Wherever you may go I will follow,
for I would be faithful, loyal and true.

POSTLUDE Pipings (James Southbridge)

Welcome

Today we welcome the Rev. Tim Dayfoot to the pulpit of Aurora United Church. Tim was engaged in full or part-time United Church ministry for thirty-eight years before his full retirement in April 2023. Tim and his wife, Leta, are now a part of the Aurora United Church community of faith, and they have enjoyed singing in the choir this past year whenever they were not away. They often visit their two adult children in Calgary, and Tim occasionally serves as pulpit supply in a handful of other United Church congregations.



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SUMMER WORSHIP PENTECOST 12

August 11, 2024
11:00 am

May you enjoy time alone this summer: beside the wide sea,
beneath the far stars, in the sun's warm rays, in the gentle rain.
And may God who is in the spaces bless your walking on the
good earth. (Joy Mead)

Come, Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love

Come, let us sing of a wonderful love, tender and true,
tender and true, out of the heart of the Father above,
streaming to me and to you: wonderful love, wonderful
love dwells in the heart of the Father above.

Jesus the Saviour this gospel to tell joyfully came, joyfully
came, came with the helpless and hopeless to dwell,
sharing their sorrow and shame, seeking the lost, seeking
the lost, saving, redeeming at measureless cost.

Jesus is seeking the wanderers yet; why do they roam?
why do they roam? Love only waits to forgive and forget;
home, weary wanderers, home! Wonderful love, wonderful
love dwells in the heart of the Father above.

Come to my heart, O thou wonderful love! Come and
abide, come and abide, lifting my life till it rises above
envy and falsehood and pride: seeking to be, seeking to be
lowly and humble, a learner of thee.

Break Now the Bread of Life

Break now the bread of life, Saviour, to me, as once you
broke the loaves beside the sea. Beyond the sacred page I
seek you, Lord; my spirit waits for you, O Living Word.

Bless your own truth, dear Christ, to me, to me, as when
you blessed the bread by Galilee; then shall all bondage
cease, all fetters fall, and I shall find my peace,
my all-in-all.

Psalm 34 pt 1 & 2

R Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of our God

I will bless God at all times, God's praise will continually
be in my mouth.

**My soul will glory in God, the humble will hear
and be glad.**

O magnify God with me, let us exalt God's name together.

**I sought God, who answered me, and freed me
from all my fears.**

Look at the Most High and let your light shine, and your
faces will not be ashamed.

**This poor soul cried out and God heard, and
saved me from all my troubles. R**

Your angel, O God, keeps guard over those who fear you
and delivers them.

**Taste and see that our God is good. Happy are
those who take refuge in God.**

Fear God, you who are the saints, for those who fear God
lack nothing.

**Strong lions suffer want and go hungry, but those
who seek God lack no good things R**

