

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13th , 2024
THANKSGIVING

PRELUDE
OPENING OF BIBLE
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENT
CELEBRATIONS & CONCERNS

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP
(* Please stand if able)

GREETING: God is good. All the time.
All the time. God is good.

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE
LIGHTING OF THE PEACE CANDLE

*HYMN VU #516
“Come, You Thankful People, Come”

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)
The leaves are changing colour as the fall continues
to unfold.

We gather to give thanks to God.
The harvest is starting. Some tables are full,
yet some are empty.

**We bring our yearnings for a just
sharing to God.**
The community gathers to worship, to celebrate,
and to give thanks to our Creator.

**We give thanks to God for this
community of faith.**
Let us worship together.

MUSICAL Selection

OPENING PRAYER (unison)

God, giver of all good, you continually pour
your benefits upon us.
Age after age the living wait upon you and find
that your faithfulness has no end,
that your care is unailing.

We praise you that the mystery of life
is a mystery of infinite goodness.
We praise you for the order and constancy of
nature; for the beauty and bounty of the earth;
for day and night, summer and winter,
seedtime and harvest;
for the varied gifts of loveliness which
every season brings.

We give you thanks for all the comfort and joy of
life, for our homes, for our friends, and for all the
love, sympathy, and goodwill of all people.
Amen.

*HYMN VU #227
“For the Fruit of All Creation”

A TIME FOR ALL AGES

WE HEAR THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 89 – 1 – 8
Philippians 4: 4-9

Response: *Thanks be to God.*

REFLECTION “Ordinary Thanksgiving”

MUSICAL Selection

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

OFFERING INVITATION

(Collection Plates at each entrance)

*Please Stand for the Offering Hymn
“Give Thanks”

Sung Response

*Give thanks, with a grateful heart,
give thanks to the Holy One*

*Give thanks, because he’s given
Jesus Christ his son*

And now let the weak say I am strong

*Let the poor say I am rich,
because of what the Lord has done for us.*

Give thanks!

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)**

**Teach us, God, to offer the very best of who
we are in the service of your will through the
mission of this church: may we offer hope,
joy, and reconciliation in the world so much
in need. Receive what we give for the sake of
Jesus Christ. Amen**

PASTORAL PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer..... Amen

***CLOSING HYMN VU # 520**

"We Plough the Fields and Scatter"

***COMMISSIONING (responsive)**

Let us go out now as God's thankful people:

thankful for a faith which will not let us go;

thankful for a community which journeys together;

**thankful for a ministry of service in
God's world.**

Let us go now into the world,

**to live our thanksgiving and to be a
blessing in all we do.**

***BENEDICTION**

***Sending forth HYMN MV#216**

"Wherever You May Go"

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.

Please remain standing until Bible is closed

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POSTLUDE

*We Welcome Ryan Shaw back on our Organ, as
Pianist, and also joining our Choir today. It is a joy to
have you back with us Ryan.*

- **Saturday, October 26th** at Lambeth United Church, 4268 Colonel Talbot Rd, London (Lambeth) at 4:30 PM **"Celebration of Ministry"** service for *Pastor Roxanne's Recognition as Designated Lay Minister* within Antler River Watershed Region & United Church of Canada – *All Welcome. This service will be in-person, but also live streamed,*
- **Sunday, October 27th** – **"171st Congregational Anniversary"** service and **Celebration of Pastor Roxanne's Recognition as Designated Lay Minister** Special Guest Speaker – Rev. Sue Browning, and representation from Antler River Watershed Region along with friends, colleagues and past parishioners. We invite you come and share in this special service and join us for an Anniversary luncheon following the service.

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*Count your blessings instead of your crosses.
Count your gains instead of your losses.
Count your joys instead of your woes.
Count your friends instead of your foes.
Count your smiles instead of your tears.
Count your courage instead of your fears.
Count your full years instead of your lean.
Count your kind deeds instead of your mean.
Count your health instead of your wealth.
Count on God instead of yourself.*



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"Be with us: Celebrate GOD!"