



St. Thomas United Church
Open Hands – Open Hearts – Open Minds

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Sunday, July 1, 10:00 am
Theme: Canada's 151st Year of Confederation

✠ Indicates stand as you are able
Bold indicates participation by the people

MV = More Voices
VU = Voices United

PRELUDE: *Kari Orosz*

WELCOME to our Livestream Worship Service

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TREATY 7 AND REGION 3 LAND

O Canada:

VU#524

GREETING ONE ANOTHER & ANNOUNCEMENTS

A wicker prayer basket will be sent around. If you have a prayer request, please print clearly on a prayer slip, place it in the wicker basket, and pass the basket along.

✠INTROIT: *Morning Has Broken* (vv. 1&3)

VU#409

CHRIST CANDLE & SILENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP: **(Responsive)**

This land is your land.

This land is my land.

This land is God's land!

From east to west, from north to south, from ocean to ocean to ocean, we gather to worship.

OPENING PRAYER: *(Unison)*

**Brush up against us in this holy space, God of grace.
Heighten our awareness of your presence in our lives.
Enliven our senses to your touch.**

**Open our eyes and enable us to see richness and beauty in
everything we encounter.**

**Whisper your promise of hope into our ears and embolden us
to reach out to you in all the circumstances of our lives that we
bring with us this day. Amen.**

†OPENING HYMN: *O God of All the Many Lands*

VU#523

SCRIPTURE: *1 Samuel 5:1-5 & 9-10*

One: This is the witness of The Church.

Many: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S TIME

*(Children and Youth are invited to join their leaders at one of the
entrances to the Sanctuary.)*

THE MESSAGE: *"God's Role for Me and Us"*

HYMN: *Oh a Song Must Rise*

MV#142

MINUTE FOR MISSION: *"Radical Welcome"*

INVITATION TO OPEN HANDS

OPPORTUNITY TO OPEN HANDS

with our Offerings & Prayers.

†OFFERTORY: *We Give You But Your Own*

VU#542

†OFFERTORY PRAYER: *(Unison)*

Generous God,

**we are so grateful we live in Canada and each one of us is
given bountiful gifts, so we offer our time, talent, and treasure**

in gratitude and love. May our gifts today be used for your work in the world. Amen.

✠CALL TO PRAYER: *Spirit, Open My Heart (chorus only)* **MV#79**

PASTORAL PRAYERS (Leader) & PRAYER OF JESUS (Unison)

✠HYMN: *What Can I Do?* **MV#191**

COMMISSIONING: ***(Responsive)***

Go into the world knowing you are anointed by God.

We are anointed to spread the good news of peace, love, and forgiveness.

Leave this space feeling blessed by this great country of ours, all who live here, and all the ancestors who came before us.

We go, hoping to bring Canadian blessings to all we meet.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

We give great thanks to all who participated in making today's worship service a reality.