



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

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Sunday, September 9, 10:00 am Theme: Welcome Back Sunday

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

MV = More Voices
VU = Voices United

PRELUDE: *Kari Orosz – Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah with
Eine Kleine Nachtmusik; arr. by D. Linda McKechnie*

WELCOME to our Livestream Worship Service

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TREATY 7 AND REGION 3 LAND

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: *Come, Children, Join to Sing (vv. 1&2)*

VU#345

CHRIST CANDLE & SILENCE

Candle Lighter: Ben Power

CALL TO WORSHIP: **(Responsive)**

We gather from places and adventures to know we are family once
more,

We gather with new knowledge and experiences,
new information gleaned and adventures shared,

**yet we gather as one people of faith to share in the stories and
faith that make us one.**

OPENING PRAYER: **(Unison)**

Holy One, we gather to sing and pray, to listen and to think, that through these actions and through one another's experiences we might come to know you more fully. As travellers or as home bodies, as old friends or new acquaintances, may we be your people gathered in your presence, now and always we pray. Amen.

✠OPENING HYMN: *Come In, Come In and Sit Down (Refrain, Verse 1, Refrain, Verse 2, Refrain)* **VU#395**

SCRIPTURE: James 2:1-5 & 8-10

Reader: *David Gray*

One: This is the witness of The Church.

Many: Thanks be to God!

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *The Adult Choir - Tuimbe*
– by *David Waggoner*

CHILDREN'S TIME: *Backpack Blessing*

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

THE MESSAGE: *"Hot Seat with Justin & Tracy"*

✠HYMN: *There Is Room for All (2x)* **MV#62**

INVITATION TO OPEN HANDS

OPPORTUNITY TO OPEN HANDS
with our Offerings & Prayers.

✠OFFERTORY: *God of the Sparrow (v.3)* **VU#229**

✠OFFERTORY PRAYER: **(Unison)**

Holy God, we offer you a part of our own, that through these things and through your blessing we might create a world more in line with your image and your will for this your world. Help us to do your will as your people we pray. Amen.

†CALL TO PRAYER: *And When You Call for Me (2x)* **MV#96**

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

†HYMN: *We Have This Ministry* **VU#510**

COMMISSIONING: **(Responsive)**

Go from this place knowing that no one has all the answers,
yet in each question there can be truth and in each journey there can be knowledge.

Go from this place, never ceasing to ask questions and seek wisdom,

for together we will seek to know ourselves and each other more wholly as the people of God. Amen.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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