

THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS

Sunday, Community Time After Each Service
10:00 am Worship

© Check the digital sign in the Narthex for location of activities. Please feel free to take a bulletin with you after Worship.



Worship Services

- July 1 - Canada Day
- July 8 - The Strummers Stampede Service
- July 15 - Amazing Grace
- July 22 - Stepping Out
- July 29 - Bread and Fish
- Aug. 5 - Moments of Celebration
- Aug. 12 - Bread of Life
- Aug. 19 - Hometowns
- Aug. 26 - What Do We Stand For?
- Sept. 2 - Affirming Sunday & Calgary Pride
- Sept. 9 - Welcome Back Sunday

Through our gifts we commit ourselves to live out the mission and ministry of the church. Please give generously to the Mission and Service Fund to make this possible.

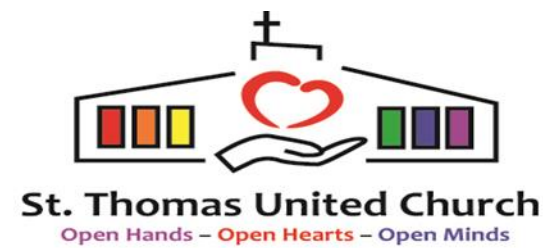


St. Thomas is an Affirming Ministry within The United Church of Canada. LGBT2S people are whole people and full members in this community of faith.



The United Church of Canada

St. Thomas is proud to be part of the United Church of Canada which ministers to close to 3 million people in 3,500 congregations across the country. (For more information about the United Church visit its website: www.united-church.ca)



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VU = Voices United MV = More Voices

Welcome to Worship!

St. Thomas United is an open, affirming, accepting, and child friendly faith community. With children present we expect noise and movement, so there's no need to leave the Sanctuary when it happens. If parents feel more comfortable with their children in nursery care, we have a nursery for babies & children under 3 years of age – just follow the posted signs.

We hope that your worship experience will feed you and challenge you on your faith journey.

Please talk to a greeter or the folks wearing an "Ask Me" badge if there's anything you are unsure of or have a question about.

There are Hearing Assistance Sets available. Ask a greeter or Ask Me person to get one.

We project everything you will need to participate in worship. You will also find hymnbooks in your seats if you'd prefer to use them.

Newcomers – please fill out one of our Communication Cards. This is our first opportunity to be in touch with you so that we can start to get to know one another.

Ministers: Rev. Tracy Robertson, Rev. Justin McNeill

Office Manager: Sandra Dusoswa

Music Team: Pam Bazinet, Barb Robertson, Dick Worton, Erin MacLean-Berko

Accompanists: Kari Orosz, Kloria Wen

Youth Leaders: Heather Robertson, Eden Middleton

Sunday School & Nursery Coordinator:

Erin MacLean-Berko

Email: office@stthomasunited.ca

(A full version of this morning's liturgy is available – just ask a Greeter or Ask Me host.)

Prelude

Welcome to our Livestream Worship Service
Acknowledgement of Treaty 7 & Region 3 Land

Greeting One Another & Announcements

Introit

Christ Candle & Silence

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

Hymn

Scripture

Ministry of Music

Message

Hymn

Minute for Mission

Invitation to Open Hands

Opportunity To Open Hands

✠**Offertory**

✠**Offertory Prayer**

Call to Prayer

Pastoral Prayers & Prayer of Jesus

Hymn

✠**Commissioning**

Benediction

Postlude

Accompanists

July 1: Kari Orosz

July 8: Kari Orosz

July 15: Kari Orosz

July 22: Kari Orosz

July 29: Kari Orosz

Aug. 5: Pauline Watson

Aug. 12: Erin MacLean-Berko

Aug. 19: Loree Irving

Aug. 26: Barb Tetzlaff

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Office This Summer: Please note that I will be on holidays for the month of July so the office will be on reduced hours. Voice messages will be checked daily, and the mail will also be picked up. I will be on holidays the month of July and possibly the first week or two of August. I hope everyone has a wonderful and peaceful summer! *See you in August, Sandra*

Rev. Tracy will be on holidays July 30 through August 26. Rev. Justin will be on holidays June 25 through July 9, and then gone to General Council July 20-29. The ministers will be available in the office on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. They are also available by cell phone or email. Rev. Tracy can be reached at 403-870-3930. Rev. Justin will be covering pastoral care while Rev. Tracy is off and can be reached at 587-736-0022. Just a reminder that the minister's days off are Friday & Saturday. Please only contact them in an emergency on these days.

Dates to Remember:

- * Stampede Service, July 8
- * Pride Parade, Sept. 2
- * AM Fitness, Sept. 5
- * Youth Choir, starts Sept. 5
- * Marathon Bridge, Sept. 6
- * Children's Choir, Strummers, Adult Choir, start Sept. 6
- * Youth Group, Sept. 7
- * Adult Choir Advance, Sept. 8
- * Welcome Back to Church Sunday, Sept. 9
- * Sunday School Registration & Blessing of the Backpacks, Sept. 9
- * Orchestra, Sept. 10
- * Primetimers, Sept. 11
- * Quilting for Others, start Sept. 13
- * Tuesday's Grace Quilters, start Sept. 18
- * Jr. Youth Group, Sept. 21

Nursery: During the summer months, the nursery will not be staffed, but parents with their small children are welcome to use it.

Children & Youth: You are all invited to continue coming to church on Sundays throughout the summer; however, there will be no Sunday School program. There are activity bags available at the entrance of the Sanctuary for your use. Sunday School will begin September 9 (remember: Blessing of the Backpacks will be that Sunday as well).

Please remember the Veterans Food Bank during the summer months. Thanks from Mission and Outreach.

Sign-up for Sunday School teachers will be available mid-August, online and in the Narthex. All parents whose children attend Sunday school must fill a minimum volunteer requirement. Stay tuned in the fall for a date for the volunteer orientation/social. If you have questions, email Erin erinmacerko@gmail.com.

Come join us for Drop-in Bridge every Monday at 1 pm in the Mountainview Hall. Adults welcome. No expertise needed! Just have fun!

Moment of Peace: If you are interested in leading this weekly service, please contact the office.

Naramata Centre 2018: Naramata offers programs that inspire, entertain, teach, and allow space for individual expression for people of all ages. The Centre will be offering a variety of programs from mid May until mid Oct. You may also choose to go there simply to relax. For further information, check out <https://www.naramatacentresociety.org/programs/>

Musical Offerings for Summer Services: If you would like to provide a musical offering for a summer service, please contact Elaine Taylor-Kerr (taylor-kerr@shaw.ca or 403-239-8271). As Kari is on vacation in August, you will need to provide your own accompanist if you choose an August date.