



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

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Sunday, February 26, 2017, 10:00am
Theme: Joy of Song

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

MV = More Voices
VU = Voices United

We Gather With

PRELUDE: *Kari Orosz- Hen Wlad Fy Nhadau- Welsh Traditional*

WELCOME to our Livestream Worship Service
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TREATY 7 LAND

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *The Orchestra*
– “*Balletto*” from *Ancient Airs and Dances, Suite No. 1*
by *Ottorino Respighi; arr. by Jerry Brubaker*

GREETING ONE ANOTHER & ANNOUNCEMENTS
*(Wicker Prayer Basket will be sent around – if you have a prayer,
please print clearly on a prayer slip, place your prayer in the wicker
basket, and pass the basket along)*

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *All Choirs - Do-Re-Mi – by Richard Rodgers*

CHRIST CANDLE & SILENCE – *Myrna Malanik*

CALL TO WORSHIP: **(Responsive)**

We come as God’s people,

to hear God’s message in spoken word and music.

We come as God’s people,

to welcome friend and stranger alike into God’s family.

We come as God’s people,

to support one another in the difficult times and celebrate with one another in times of joy.

We come as God's people,
to sing to the glory of the Lord.

OPENING PRAYER: (*Unison*)

Loving God, this morning we are celebrating the place of music in our lives. May each of us feel your presence and hear your message through the music. May we be re-energized to go out and do your work in our world. Amen.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *The Children's Choir – Art Thou Troubled*
– by G.F. Handel

✠HYMN: *Over My Head (vv 1-3)* **MV#88**

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *The Sunday School*
– *This Little Light of Mine*

SUNG SCRIPTURE: *Psalm 100 – Make A Joyful Noise* **VU#820**

THE MESSAGE: *Music in Our Lives*

✠HYMN: *Joyful, Joyful We Adore You (vv 1&4)* **VU#232**

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *The Youth Choir – O Rushing Wind*
by Mark Patterson

✠HYMN: *This Is God's Wondrous World (vv 1&3)* **VU#296**

MINUTE FOR ST. THOMAS: *Music*

INVITATION TO OPEN HANDS

OPPORTUNITY TO OPEN HANDS

with our Offerings & Prayers.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *Strummers - Always There*
- by Brendan Graham & Rolf Lovland

†OFFERTORY: *What Can I Do?*

MV#191

†OFFERTORY PRAYER: (*Unison*)

**You, O God, have given each of us
unique talents and gifts.**

We thank you for the gift of music.

**We are fortunate to live in a country
where using our talents and gifts
allows most to earn enough to provide
a comfortable life for our families.**

**We offer these gifts of our talents and treasure
this morning in gratitude for our many blessings and for the
hope your message brings us. Amen.**

CALL TO PRAYER: *Bathe Me in Your Light (v.1)*

MV#82

PASTORAL PRAYERS & PRAYER OF JESUS (*Unison*)

*prayer based on a prayer courtesy of St. Paul's United Church in
Sidney, BC*

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: *The Adult Choir – Forever Music - by Mark
Hayes; Oboe Solo: Tara Jamieson*

†COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION: (*Responsive*)

Music is more than just a sound. It is the language of the heart and
soul. **We sing words of hope and love, of laughter and of tears.**

We dream of a world where all are respected and live in harmony.

**Together we will sing a song of unity for hope, love, tolerance,
and peace in all the world.**

HYMN: *You Shall Go Out with Joy*

VU#884

POSTLUDE

Participating in worship leadership today: Kari Orosz, The Adult
Choir, The Youth Choir, The Children's Choir, The Orchestra,
The Strummers, The Sunday School, Elaine Taylor-Kerr,
Andrew Major, Jeff McLean, Myrna Malanik, Mark Wagner,
Kristen Raugust, Diane Paley, Don Mills, Tara Jamieson.