

## Announcements

Wed. May 14 - Choir 6:30

Thurs. May 15 - KD Lunch

**Environmental Health is offering its volunteer food safety courses and are now open for registration.**

**This course is applicable to volunteers or staff with non-profit organizations.**

**The course is being held at Trinity United Church, Tuesday May 13 6-9pm**



Have you signed up to receive emails from the church?  
It's a quick and easy way to stay connected with your church family!  
Speak to Rev. Brad or our church administrator Cheri for more information.

## **Mission Moment**

"I could not get medical help in time because we did not have enough money," says 65-year-old Ruqaiya, who lives in Afghanistan. Ruqaiya's life took a challenging turn ten years ago when she fell on ice, resulting in partial paralysis. Despite her impairment, she helps care for her youngest son, who has a hand impairment, two daughters-in-law, and two young grandchildren while her two oldest sons work as porters in Kabul, struggling to earn enough. Before her injury, Ruqaiya was known for her skill in weaving and was able to earn a decent income. Now unable to weave, she faces significant financial hardship, made worse by the political and economic situation in the country. Relief came when Ruqaiya received cash assistance through a PWS&D-supported project. She purchased essentials like oil, pulses, flour, rice and salt, meeting her family's food needs during the harsh winter.

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~ May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025 ~

Christian Family Sunday / Good Shepherd Sunday

*"to know, love and serve God wherever we are  
and to inspire others to do the same  
by our thoughts, words and deeds"*

*SPC Mission Statement*

## Our Approach to God

### Call to Worship:

With all those in heaven and on earth, let us say together:

**Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!**

Let us praise God with joyful hearts:

**We come before the throne of God to worship day and night.**

Called together by the Holy Spirit, let us rejoice and sing:

**We will hunger and thirst no more; Christ brings us eternal life.**

### Hymn **#434 For the Beauty of the Earth**

### Opening Prayers

*Our Father who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy name.*

*Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever, Amen.*

### Assurance of God's Love

### Welcome & Announcements

### Children's Time

& Hymn **#339 He's Got the Whole World in His Hands**

## Listening for God's Word

### Prayer for Understanding

### Scripture Readings: Psalm 23 (Refrain #2)

John 10:22-30

The Word of God in Scripture. The Word of God among us.

The Word of God within us.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Ministry of Music: "You're Still There" - Judith Snowden

### Sermon

### Hymn **#485 Saviour, Like a Shepherd Leads Us**

## Our Response to God's Word

### Stewardship Moment

Reflection / Doxology & The Presentation of Gifts / Prayer

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures high & low  
Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.***

### Pastoral Prayer

♪ ***Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord.*** ♪  
***Incline your ear to us, and grant us your peace.***

### Hymn **#371 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**

### Benediction & Dismissal: **May the Lord Bless You**

### Postlude

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As you prepare for this morning's service to begin, you are invited to reflect on the following...

*"Biology is the least of what makes someone a mother."*

~ Oprah Winfrey



*"A mother is a person who seeing there are only four pieces of pie for five people, promptly announces she never did care for pie."*

~ Tenneva Jordan

*In what ways is God's love like that of a mother?*

*Are there ways in which it is different?*

### **Things to pray for this week...**

We give thanks and pray for our parents who gave us life, and for those who have nurtured us in faith.

We pray for congregations in discernment about their future, and for ministers who are leading and guiding them in the discernment process.

Saturday (May 17<sup>th</sup>) is the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia. We pray that communities, elected officials and religious leaders will contribute to the safety and well-being of LGBTQI2+ people in Canada and around the world.



**Scripture Reading:** John 10:22-30 (NIV)

<sup>22</sup>Then came the Festival of Dedication at Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup>and Jesus was in the temple courts walking in Solomon's Colonnade. <sup>24</sup>The Jews who were there gathered around him, saying, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly."

<sup>25</sup>Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify about me, <sup>26</sup>but you do not believe because you are not my sheep. <sup>27</sup>My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. <sup>28</sup>I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. <sup>29</sup>My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. <sup>30</sup>I and the Father are one."