

WELCOME

to WORSHIP

St. Paul's United Church

(Kindersley, Saskatchewan)

Worship Leader: Rev. Piotr Strzelecki

Musician: Laura Ewson

March 8th, 2026

WELCOME TO THIS COMMUNITY OF FAITH for LENT III

GREETING:

The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
the love of God and the presence
of the Holy Spirit be with you all

And also with you

CALL TO WORSHIP:

You enter into this place wondering
where you will be taken
this time around
on the Lenten journey.

**Yet we know that
it is a safe place,
a place of comfort.**

You also know that this is a place
of transformation.

Yet you return.

**Transformation is precisely
who we are
as a church.**

We are not afraid.

How can you be so certain?

We've travelled this path before.

**We know what it takes
when times get tough.**

You'll be challenged,
questioned,
backed into a corner...

But we will never be alone.

Praise be to God!

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*Éric Hébert-Daly, Executive Minister,
Eastern Ontario Outaouais Regional Council
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WE SING: "Like a Rock" (MV# 92)

WE ARE NOT ALONE:

The lighting of the Christ Candle ((Matthew 18:20/John 8:12)

We light this candle
**because it's important to do so
even when we feel
as if we are just going
through the motions.**

We show up,
**even on days
we don't feel like it,
because we have chosen
the Way of Jesus.**

We have chosen to honour God
**in the little things
and through the habits
we cultivate
day by day,
week by week,
like lighting the Christ candle.**

*Christine LeBlanc, East End United Regional Ministry, Toronto, Ont.
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-- the candle is lit --

OPENING PRAYER...

MUSICAL REFLECTION

WE READ FROM JESUS' PRAYER BOOK

Psalm 95 (VU p. 841, part 1)

*Listen to what the Spirit is saying to the church.
May our hearts and ears be opened.*

REFLECTION

WE SING:

"One Bread, One Body"(VU# 467)

**WE BRING ALL OF OURSELVES
TO THE LORD'S TABLE
AND WE SHARE A SIMPLE MEAL**
(see the bulletin insert)

WE SING: “We Cannot Own the Sunlit Sky”
(MV# 143)

PASTORAL BLESSING

... and may the blessing of God,
The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
Be with you now and always
Amen!

PASSING OF THE PEACE:

As you go from here, to share the Good News
with all those you will encounter,
as you go from here ...
may the Peace of the Lord be with you all.
And also with you.

LEARNING TIME 😊



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