

Announcements – September 13, 2026

A warm welcome to guests and visitors. Please leave your name and contact details with our greeters for more information. We have **Pew Packs** (engaging activities designed for children and youth) available in the Narthex.

This service is being livestreamed to our Zoom congregation.

Gentle Reminder of our Fragrance-Free Policy: Please do not wear scented products such as perfumes, lotions, hair sprays, aftershave, deodorants, etc. These items can cause health issues for some. Thank you for helping us make our church a safe place.

Special Thanks to:

- **Rita H., Cathy F. and Village Group 6** for providing volunteers during our worship for the month of September and to **Margaret W.** for organizing our Zoom worshippers.
- **Volunteers** for hosting Coffee & Conversation today.
- **Technical Team** scheduled today.

Faith Development:

Bible Study on Monday, September 14: The readings are: [Exodus 16:2-15](#); [Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45](#); [Philippians 1:21-30](#); [Matthew 20:1-16](#).

Our Sunday bulletin is now available in a digital format: Please scan the QR code below to access the bulletin.



If necessary, please select the TUC Guest network. Password: **Welcome25**

Our Mission Statement

Our faith in God's love moves us to celebrate spirituality, to care with compassion, and to welcome all warmly.

Affirming Vision Statement

Thornhill United Church believes in Jesus' message of God's kingdom of love and grace which includes all people.

We declare our commitment to be fully inclusive in all aspects of our life and work. This includes, but is not limited to, people of all ages, races, ethnicities, sexual orientations and gender identities.

Thornhill United Church seeks to be a safe place in the eyes of God and of all people, and to be a growing vibrant, inclusive, welcoming church.

Pentecost 16 / Creation Time 1 September 13, 2026 – 10:30am



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*Hearing assists are available from the sound system operator,
if you are having difficulty hearing in the service.*

*****marks time to stand as able***

A. Gianmanco
J. S. Bach

Welcome and News

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

One: Christ's light shines forth

All: Now all can see God's grace and goodness.

Lorry

Call to Worship *(responsively)*

****Opening Hymn:** *Joyful, Joyful We Adore You*

VU 232

****Opening Prayer** *(in unison)*

LISTENING

Focus Time

Anthem: *Let the Praise Go Round*

W. Boyce

Scripture: *Romans 14 :1-12*
Matthew 18:21-35

read by Pan.

One: God offers the Living Word.

All: We take it into our lives.

****Hymn:** *Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary*
 (sung three times)

MV 18

Message: *'How Many Times'*

Rev. Leigh Olson

RESPONDING

Invitation to the Offering.

Offertory Music: *In the Sanctuary*

G. F. Handel

****Presentation Hymn:**

VU 538

For the gift of creation, the gift of your love,
and the gift of the Spirit by which we live,
we thank you and give you the fruit of our hands.
May your grace be proclaimed by the gifts that we give.

****Dedication Prayer**

Prayers of the People

led by Lorry

The Lord's Prayer (sung)

VU 959

SENDING

Closing News

****Closing Hymn:** *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

VU 271

****Sending and Blessing**

****Choral Blessing:** *Walk with Me*

VU 649 (refrain)

**Walk with me, I will walk with you
and build the land that God has planned
where love shines through.**

Postlude: *Ode to Joy*

L. van Beethoven/arr. J. Phillips

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UPCOMING SERVICES AT TUC

Sept.	20	10:30 am	Creation Time 2
Sept.	27	10:30 am	Creation Time 3 / Welcome Back BBQ
Oct.	4	10:30 am	Creation Time 4 / World Communion

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Prayer List

TUC MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Bible Study meets on Monday, September 14 at 12 noon on Zoom

IWG meets on Monday, September 14 at 7:30pm on Zoom

Worship and Music Committee meets on Tuesday, September 15 at 3:00pm on Zoom.

Council meets on Tuesday, September 15 at 7:00pm in the Upper Room

Pastoral Care meets on Wednesday September 16 at 10:00am in the Narthex

WAWG meets on Wednesday, September 16 at 4:00pm on Zoom

Sanctuary Choir on Thursday September 17 at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary

From our Prayer Book we pray:

With Thanksgiving For: Beautiful summer weather.

For Those in Need: Margaret, Don, Gregory, Pamela, Joy, Anita, Gary, Melissa, Mary, Steve, Bahar, Masoud, Samaneh, Kay, Linda, Bob, Bertha, Jackie, Neil, Carson, Laura, Jiwan, Anthony, Keeyana, Adalia, Kaylia, Barb, Peter, Ian, Nick, Allan, Rob, Ronan, the people of the Middle East, Sudan, Haiti, Ukraine, the people of Nepal and the Democratic Republic of Congo.

We also pray for friends who originate from places experiencing conflict and natural disasters.

In Memory of: Lona, Earl, Julie, Audrey