

Centennial United Church, Stayner

Sunday, June 14, 2026 10:30am

Celebration of Communion – Proper 6

Worship Leader: Jennifer Irving Musical Accompanist: Megan Arksey

To Ponder: “Everything that is done in this world is done by hope.”

~ Martin Luther

God’s People Gather in Hope

Welcome & Land Acknowledgement

Sharing Our Life & Work and Our Joys & Sorrows

Lighting the Christ Candle *(David Sparks, Gathering Pentecost 1, 2026, p. 38)*

One: The light of Jesus Christ

ALL: inspires our prayers.

One: The Light of Jesus Christ

ALL: brings joy to our singing.

One: The light of Jesus Christ

ALL: finds purpose in God’s word.

One: The light of Jesus Christ

ALL: illumines the needs of the world.

One: So we will

ALL: (sing) let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!

Call to Worship *(Peter Chynoweth, Gathering Pentecost 1, 2026, p. 38)*

Opening Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer

God of steadfast love, you set before us the call of faith and service. You give us reason to live in ways that both nurture us and challenge us. You assure us with your compassion and surprise us with your resolve. As your people, we seek to live with your purpose and to share your sensitivity. Be with us in our journey of faith, a journey we share with people around the world, as we celebrate all that Jesus taught us in the sharing of these words: Our Father...

Opening Hymn VU 333 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Listening for God's Word of Hope

Time of Wondering

Hymn VU 465 "Christ, Be Our Host" (vs. 1-3)

Scripture Readings: Genesis 18:1-15 (OT p 17)

Psalm 116 (VU p. 836)

Romans 5:1-8 (NT p 192)

Reflection

Our Hopeful Response

Hymn VU 215 "Hope of the World"

Stories of Gratitude & Generosity & An Invitation to Give

Offertory Hymn VU 537 "Your Work, O God, Needs Many Hands"

Offertory Prayer

Special Music – Trio (Megan, Liz and Jennifer)

Bless the Lord Oh My Soul (Then Let Us Sing! #35)

Celebration of Communion (see insert)

Hymn VU 465 "Christ, Be Our Host" (vs. 4)

Commissioning & Benediction

Choral Sending Forth TLUS 103 "Bambelela"

Bambelela! Bambelela, O Bambelela, Bambelela

Bamba, bamba, bamba, bamba, bamba, Ohhh

Bamba, bambelela!

Never Give Up! Never give up, O Never give up, Never give up

Never, never, never, never, never, Ohhh

Never, Never Give Up!

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning.

Thank you to Liz Kraan for reading scripture & M&S story

Thank you to Neelah Irving for her technical assistance.

CENTENNIAL UNITED CHURCH

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Jennifer will be taking her ¼ time off from June 22-September 7

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Zoom: 862 4551 6433 pwd: WORSHIP

Our Land Acknowledgement Statement

We acknowledge with respect and with awe the history, spirituality, and culture of the Anishinaabeg, Haudenosaunee, Tionontati and Wendat peoples with whom Treaty 18 of 1818 were signed and the territory wherein our church resides, and our responsibility as Treaty members. We also honour the heritage and gifts of Métis people. May we live appreciating the gifts of this land we share with wonder and gratitude and may we live in peace and friendship with all its people.

LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

BADJEROS UNITED CHURCH BEEF SUPPER June 14th 4:30pm-6:30pm
Cost \$30/adult, 7-13 \$15, 6 and Under: free! Includes entertainment by Beinn Gorm Highlanders and a silent auction!

SIP 'n' SERVE Join us Monday mornings at 9:00 AM. All cleaners are rewarded with coffee and conversation!

MILK BAG MAT making Monday, June 15 at 10 AM. Winding up this amazing ministry which will cease to operate out of Centennial United Church as of the end of June.

PRAYER CIRCLE! Join us for a virtual Prayer Circle June 15. 7 – 7:30 PM hosted by Centennial Women. Use the worship zoom link.

LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY HOUR Tuesday mornings: 10-11:00am

JUNE 21st, 2026 SPECIAL SERVICE 10:30am Honouring Indigenous People's Day and Father's Day. We will be welcoming new members into our congregation by Confession of Faith & Transfer of Membership! Please join us as we affirm the membership of John Dryden, Heidi and Edwin Sterrenburg and, Martin and Corinne Van Adrichem!

INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY WORKSHOP at Trinity United Church in Collingwood with Elaine Wabie from the Algonquin Nation, Wolf Clan from 12:30pm-2:00pm.

June 24 Grace United in Barrie (350 Grove St E) hosts a Strawberry Supper. Dine in or Take out. \$ 28/person. Call 705-734-0760. Book by June 23. For more info poster is on the bulletin board in hallway.

Please note Pat's summer office hours. July 7, July 16, August 10 and August 18, 9 AM – 1 PM. Regular office hours resume September 8.

Congratulations! to the Campbell family. Doug Inkster was inducted into the Clearview Township Culture and Sports Hall of Fame, honoured for 55 years of volunteer service with the Lions.

This week's regional prayers are for Clinton United Church. Learn more about Clinton United on their Facebook page.

Centennial Reads Summer 2026!

For anyone looking for a book to inspire hope this summer

NON-FICTION

The Book of Hope: A Survival Guide for Trying Times by Jane Goodall & Douglas Adams. This urgent book explores one of the most sought after and least understood elements of human nature: hope.

Recommended by Marilyn Beecroft

From the Ashes: My Story of Being Métis, Homeless, and Finding My Way by Jesse Thistle. An extraordinary and inspiring memoir, about overcoming trauma and addiction and finding truth.

Recommended by Leanne Campbell

Holy Envy: Finding God in the Faith of Others by Barbara Brown Taylor. Barbara Brown Taylor recounts her moving discoveries of finding the sacred in unexpected places, revealing how God delights in confounding our expectations.

Recommended by Greta Horton

FICTION

Spoon Stealer by Lesley Crewe. For those who know this amazing Canadian author, this is a classic Crewe book: full of humour, family secrets, women's friendship, lovable animals, and immense heart.

Recommended by Pat Elson

The Correspondent by Virginia Evans. This gentle epistolary novel (that means the story is told solely through letters like Paul's contributions to the Bible!) is a story of one woman that gives hope for all of us. A joy to read!

Recommended by Jennifer Irving

The Baby-sitters Club: Dawn and the Impossible Three by Ann M Martin. Pretty much any book from this series is a fun read.

Recommended by Blythe Sterrenburg

HONORABLE MENTIONS

Throwback Read: The Boat Who Wouldn't Float by Farley Mowat. A perfect read for while you're waiting for books on hold!

Canada Reads Winner 2026: The Cure for Drowning by Loghan Paylor.

Mark your calendars for a book sharing on **Wednesday September 23 at 7:30pm** and help choose the Centennial's winning book for 2026.

HAPPY READING!

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- June 21 Sunday School wrap up, at the church (worship in the Sanctuary)
- June 28 Outdoor worship hosted by Myrna and Jim Whitley at their farm (3770 Concession 3 South, Nottawasaga Creemore).
Directions to Whitley's Farm: drive south on County Rd 42, if leaving Stayner, go through Cashtown and continue to Avening. Cross the bridge in Avening and turn right onto Sideroad $\frac{3}{4}$ (at the school house, some might remember it as Peggy's Pies), go to the top of the hill and turn left at the "T" (head south on Concession 3) we are on right hand side of the road about 1km from the "T".

For the months of July and August we move into a more relaxed form of worship. Please bring your own lawn chair! Wherever we meet we are gathered in community to celebrate God's love:



- July 5 Berries and ice cream on the church lawn. 10:30 AM
- July 12 We are invited to a special PRIDE Sunday Worship with Trinity United Church (10:30AM) in honour of Collingwood Pride. Pop-up mass choir practicing at 9:30 AM.
- July 26 Tea and biscuits on the church lawn. 10:30 AM
- August 9 Outdoor worship at Geoff and Deb Allen's (1698 County Rd 7, Stayner). 10:30 AM
- Aug 23 Potluck dinner at Barb and Doug Dickinson's (14 MacAllister St S, Collingwood). Arrive between 3/3:30. Dinner at 5 PM

We begin our Fall Worship:

- Sept 6 Thanks to Geoff Allen for worship leadership in the Sanctuary.

We look forward to seeing everyone in these different spaces!

Celebration of Communion

Invitation to Communion

Call to Give Thanks

One: We are not alone

ALL: We live in God's world.

One: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them up to God.

One: Let us give thanks and praise.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

One: Let us pray ... To you our creator... during our re-birth.

ALL: We stop, to listen and give you thanks.

One: To you our redeemer, ... prophetic action.

ALL: We stop, to listen and give you thanks.

One: To you our sustainer, ... empowering us to fly on.

ALL: We stop, to listen and give you thanks.

One: We take up all our praise,

and add them to the heavenly chorus in singing:

ALL SING: (MV 203)

O holy, holy, holy God, O God of time and space.

All earth and sea and sky above bear witness to your grace.

Hosanna in the highest heav'n, creation sings your praise.

And blessed is the One who comes and bears your name always!

One: We thank-you for the life and ministry of Jesus, our Redeemer.

ALL: His life revealed us to radical grace;

His death to radical love.

One: On the night before he died, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it saying: "This is my body, which is given for you."

ALL: "Do this in remembrance of me."

One: After, he took the cup, blessed and poured it saying:

"This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant."

ALL: "Each time you do this remember me"

One: And so we remember Jesus and proclaim the mystery of our faith in song:

ALL SING: (MV 204)

Sing Christ has died and Christ is risen, Christ will come again!

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One: Send your spirit on our offerings, and on these simple gifts.

May all who are broken find wholeness in your bread.

May all who are empty be filled by your cup.

ALL: And may we who are many become one at your table.

One: Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, God most holy, now and forever.

ALL SING: (MV 205)

Amen, Amen, O Holy One! Hosanna and Amen!

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Breaking the Bread, Pouring the Cup

One: With this bread... The body of Christ,

ALL: the bread of life.

One: With this juice, ... The lifeblood of Christ,

ALL: the cup of blessing.

One: With this meal we remember...

Friends, the gifts of God for the people of God,

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Prayer After Communion (in unison)

Sophia Christ,

you have gathered us to this meal to be loved and fed.

Nourished and refreshed,

you now send us out to:

notice and witness to your on-going revelation;

extend your love and hospitality to all;

to be god-bearers; and to be builders of your great kin-dom.

Amen.

This Communion liturgy is adapted by Alydia Smith from the Service of Celebration and Remembrance of the Ordination of Lydia Gruchy.