

# *Centennial United Church, Stayner*

*Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 10:30am*

*Creation IV-Orange Shirt Day*

*Worship Leader: Jennifer Irving*

*Music Leader: Megan Arksey*



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Words of Wisdom: “

## *We Gather Seeking Shelter*

Welcome & Land Acknowledgement

Sharing our Life & Work and our Joys & Concerns

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Introit: VU #315 “Holy, Holy, Holy” (vs. 1)

Call to Worship

One: With unfailing love, God calls us by name.

**ALL: We long to be known and seek relationship with God.**

One: Come, find refuge. Take rest and comfort in God’s shelter.

**ALL: We eagerly come, seeking shelter and security.**

**Let us worship God!**

Opening Prayer (*inspired by a blog by Honarine Scott on [united-church.ca](http://united-church.ca)*)

**Today we wear orange to remember and honour all the**

**Indigenous children who went to residential schools.**

**Today we wear orange and we pray for the residential school and  
intergenerational survivors who are still struggling.**

**Today we wear orange and we are thankful for those who speak  
the truth, and who work to shine a light on injustice.**

**Today we wear orange in the name of compassion  
and the spirit of truth and reconciliation.**

**Help us, God, to remember and act on this every day  
that all might find shelter in your gracious love. Amen.**

First Nation Version of The Lord’s Prayer (*see insert*)

Hymn VU #308 “Many and Great, O God, Are Your Works”

## *We are Sheltered in God's Word*

**Time of Wondering** *The Painted Trunk – “Far From Home”*

**Hymn VU #238 “How Great Thou Art”** (vs. 1-2)

**Scripture Readings: Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15** (OT p. 767 )

**Psalms 91-VU #808** (*sung responsively*)

**Luke 16:19-31** (NT p. 101 )

**Reflection**

## *Responding as a New Creation*

**Hymn VU #660 “How Firm a Foundation”**

**Story of Generosity**

**Collection of the Offering**

**Offertory VU #575 “I’m Gonna Give So God Can Use Me”**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Prayers of the People**

**Hymn VU #806 “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”**

**Blessing & Sending Forth**

**Sung Blessing #649 “Walk with Me”** (*refrain only*)

*Thank you for worshipping with us this morning online & in person*

*Thank you to:*

*Greta Horton for reading scripture and the Mission and Service story*

*Neelah Irving for technical support*

Please take a moment to complete the Affirming Ministries survey for Centennial. It can be found at the back of the church.

Completed surveys can be placed in the rainbow box, also at the back of the church. Thank you!

## **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.

## **CENTENNIAL UNITED CHURCH**

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Tuesdays: 9:00am-1:00pm

Thursdays: 9:00am-12:00pm

**On-Line & In Person Worship: Sundays: 10:30am**

# LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

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*\*Worship in person or on Zoom: 862 4551 6433 pwd: WORSHIP*

We welcome you to worship in our Sanctuary and thank you for not wearing scented products to church for those who are scent sensitive

**ORANGE SHIRT SUNDAY** September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 plan to wear your orange shirts as we commemorate the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and live into our commitments to right relations.

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

**MILK BAG MAT MAKING** Mondays 10 AM – Noon! Please join us.

**BIBLE STUDY** Tuesday September 30, 2025 at 10:00am. We continue this lectionary based Bible Study exploring the texts for the coming Sunday and thinking about them in relation to our own lives. We gather in the Round Room—all are welcome!

**CHOIR PRACTICE:** Thursdays at 5:00pm in the Sanctuary until Thanksgiving! All are welcome—no auditions required.

**PROGRAM & EDUCATION MEETING** Wednesday October 1 at 6:30pm in the Round Room.

**CLOTHING SWAP!** The Fall clothing swap is coming up! Collection of clothing, shoes and accessories in good condition for children, women and men begins September 30. The swap is Friday October 3 and Saturday October 4, 10 AM – 1 PM. Everything is free! Donations or contributions to the Foodbank welcomed if you are able. If you are willing/able to volunteer please contact Joanne at 705-446-4514.

**REGIONAL UCW GATHERING** “Then Let Us Sing” October 20, 2025 10:00am-3:00pm at Drayton United Church. Speak to Jennifer if you are interested in attending the entire day and to Liz Kraan if you'd like to go for the afternoon of singing.

**OCTOBER 25 5:30 PM** Compass Life Church (202 Ontario St, Stayner) hosts a Foodgrains Banquet supporting the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. Drinks at 5:30, Dinner at 6:30. Tickets are \$ 20 for Adults, \$ 10 for ages 6-12 (5 & under free). Call 705-428-3741 or email [compasslifechurch@gmail.com](mailto:compasslifechurch@gmail.com) for tickets.

## **First Nation Version of the Lord's Prayer**

From the *First Nations Version: An Indigenous Translation of the New Testament*. This dynamic equivalence translation of the Christian Scriptures imagines how these sacred texts might speak if they were being told in the tradition of Indigenous story-tellers using the practices of oral cultures. Created by Translation Council made up of a group of Native North Americans diverse in tribal affiliation, age, gender and denomination, the FNV seeks a faithful rendering of the original text through the cultural lens of Native Americans. It is an invitation to see how God is still speaking in ancient and traditional ways at the intersections of sacred scripture and indigenous spirituality, experiences, and storytelling.

**O Great Spirit, our Father from above,  
we honor your name as sacred and holy.**

**Bring your good road to us,  
where the beauty of your ways in the spirit-world above  
is reflected in the earth below.**

**Provide for us day by day—  
the elk, the buffalo, and the salmon.  
The corn, the squash, and the wild rice.  
All the things we need for each day.**

**Release us from the things we have done wrong,  
in the same way we release others  
for the things done wrong to us.**

**Guide us away from the things  
that tempt us to stray from your good road,  
and set us free from the evil one and his worthless ways.**

**Aho! May it be so!**