

**Communion Sunday and Season of Creation Begins  
Sunday, September 10, 2023**

**Gathering Music: Christine MacDougall**  
**Land Acknowledgement**  
**Welcome and Care and Share Time**  
**Lighting the Christ Candle**  
**Call to Worship**  
**Hymn: “I Sing the Mighty Power” VU 231**

**Passing of the Peace**  
**Opening Prayer**  
**Time of Wonder: Green Team Presentation**

**Sung Response: “Open our Hearts” MV 21**  
**Scripture Reading: Moira Sinclair**  
Exodus 12: 1-14 Instructions for the first Passover.  
**Reflection: “A New Beginning”**  
**Hymn: “When Israel Was in Egypt’s Land” Spiritual**

**Invitation to the Offering**  
**Gift of Music: “Earth and All Stars” VU 888**  
**Hymn of Dedication: “Grant Us, God, the Grace” VU 540**  
**Offering Prayer:**

**COMMUNION**

**Invitation to the Table**  
**Call to Give Thanks**  
God be with you.  
**And, also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts!  
**We lift them up to God.**  
Let us give thanks to our Creator God.  
**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

**Choir and All: “Holy, Holy, Holy” VU 932**  
**Remembering Jesus at the Table**  
**Prayer of Self-Giving**  
**Choir and All: VU 933**

**Remembering the Community:**

You’re invited to keep the following people in your prayers:  
Debbie St. Pierre Friends & Family of Joan Burrell  
Pastor Ayres Demi Pinnock Julie Cruzada  
Cynthia Seunarine Morris and Margaret Rae James Hunte  
Cora Radcliffe Andrew Koningen-Neveu Anna Davis  
Betty and Len Carter Wendy Koningen-Neveu  
And for all the people on our prayer wall.

**The Lord’s Prayer (Sung) VU 959**  
Sharing the Bread and Cup  
**Hymns: “God is Here” VU 389 / “Eat This Bread” VU 466**

Prayer after Communion:  
**Gracious God, may your gifts of love transform and enliven us  
that we may live lives of thanksgiving. May your presence  
among us provoke such longing for your realm, that we will  
never be satisfied until the whole earth knows your justice, your  
peace and your love. In Christ’s name, we pray. Amen.**

**Closing Hymn: “We are Marching in the Light of God” VU 646**

**Commissioning / Blessing:**

**WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER!**

We strive to be a diverse Church that welcomes everyone. We reach out to care for one another and serve the wider community. If you would like to learn more about our Church, we invite you to visit our website below or if you would just like to talk, please feel free to contact Reverend Ty at 647-997-1378 or by email at [irene@bellnet.ca](mailto:irene@bellnet.ca)

**Rev. Ty’s Office Hours:** Monday and Wednesday 10:00 AM – 12 Noon. Please make an appointment if possible.

## **NURSERY / PROGRAM ROOM**

The Worship Service is also being livestreamed in the Nursery (opposite the Church Office). If you or your children need a break, you are welcome to watch the Service in this room.

## **UPCOMING SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES:**

September 17: Welcome Barbeque Lunch following the Service

September 24: Outdoor Service (Weather Permitting)

October 1: World Communion Sunday

October 8: Thanksgiving Service

**MISSISSAUGA CHAMBER SINGERS' FUNDRAISING CONCERT on Saturday, October 21 at 7:30 PM.** Tickets are \$25.00 each. Invite your friends and family. E-transfer to [wuctreasury@bellnet.ca](mailto:wuctreasury@bellnet.ca) Note your name and # of tickets.

**PART-TIME JOB AVAILABLE:** Afterschool Program Coordinator, 8 hours a week. To lead and plan an Afterschool Program at Tomken Grove Apartments. For more information contact Rev. Ty at 647-997-1378 or by email at [irene@bellnet.ca](mailto:irene@bellnet.ca)

## **STEWARDSHIP**

Church Stewardship is both monetary and being involved in our caring initiatives. You can support our Church monetarily through envelope giving, e-transfer to [wuctreasury@bellnet.ca](mailto:wuctreasury@bellnet.ca), monthly pre-authorized remittance (PAR) or through Canada Helps. Visitor envelopes can be found inside the Hymnbooks. Thank you.

## **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

**The office is open Monday through Friday from 10:00 AM to Noon.** Access to the Church outside of these hours is by appointment only. The Church phone and email will continue to be monitored throughout the week for messages and someone will get back to you as soon as possible.

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