St. Paul United Church, Dundas November 23, 2025

Welcome / Announcements

Prelude: "Op 45" – F. Chopin

Ian Alsop - Piano

Call to Worship:

Blessed are we because God looks on us with kindness.

We are the inheritors of the promises made long ago to our ancestors.

Blessed are we for God has gathered us here in this place.

From across the street, from halfway around the world,

God brings us home to the heart of grace. Blessed are we because God remembers us.

Young, old, talkers, singers, able or faint, sure or wondering.

Blessed are we because we are cherished by God

Every single one of us.

Opening Hymn: M.V. #79 "Spirit, Open My Heart"

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Opening Prayer of Thanksgiving & Renewal Mother and Father of us all, as we gather together, surrounded by the loving care of a community of faith, remind us to invite all those who are without safety, support, and acceptance to this sacred space. Challenge us to include those in need, whether here in our own community or on the other side of the globe, as part of our faith family. Forgive our shortcomings and guide us in your way of love and acceptance.

Amen.

Words of Assurance

Hymn: V.U. #273 "The King of Love"

Celebration time with the young at heart

Musical Offering: "Cool Under Fire" – Valerie MacKenzie

Joyful Voices

Psalm 46: V.U. #770

Scripture: Jeremiah 23:1-5 **Scripture:** Colossians 1:11-20

The Word of the Lord! Thanks be to God!

Thoughts For Living: "A New Door"

Hymn: V.U.#333 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Offering/Thanksgiving Time

Sung Offertory: V.U. #537 "Your Work, O God,

Needs Many Hands"

Offering Prayer

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer (sung): V.U. #960

Closing Hymn: V.U. #595

"We Are Pilgrims (The Servant Song)"

Commissioning and Benediction

Choral Benediction: "May You Run and not be Weary"

Postlude: Toccata on "O Worship the King" – M. Burkhardt

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Love, Sarah French

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