

**St. Paul's United Church  
October 5, 2025**

**Welcome /Announcements**

**Prelude:** The Dakota Hymn – arr. John Carter

**Call to Worship:**

In the presence of Creator, we gather:

**People carrying burdens we may not know about,  
looking for comfort; folks needing their spirits refreshed.**

We draw together hoping for that touch that will enliven us,  
**Longing to be embraced in arms of love and understanding.**

Help us to put aside our differences and  
see the earth as you see it.

**We are all part of Your wondrous Creation.**

**Opening Hymn:** M.V. #161 “I Have Called You by Your Name”

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**Opening prayer of Thanksgiving & Confession**

God of healing, God of wholeness,  
We have not loved you with all our hearts  
We have not loved one another as we should  
Sometimes we have let pride rule us, or anger or  
carelessness.

God of healing, God of wholeness,  
In this precious time in your presence and power  
grant us faith and confidence that in this place broken lives  
can be made whole.  
Amen

**Words of Assurance**

**Psalm:** Psalm 91, V.U. #807

**Celebration time with the young at heart**

**Musical Offering:** “The Touch the Soothes and Heals”  
– G. DeMey/T. Keesecker Chancel Choir

**Scripture reading 1:** Lamentations 3:19-25

**Scripture reading 2:** 2 Timothy 1:1-14  
The Word of the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

**Thoughts For Living:** Time for Healing

**Hymn:** M.V. #12 “Come Touch Our Hearts”

**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:** M.V. #670 “Let There Be Light”

**Commissioning and Benediction**

**Choral Benediction:** “May You Run and Not Be Weary”

**Postlude:** Toccata on “Love Divine” – Joel Raney



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**We offer a warm welcome to our speaker  
Samantha Miller who is with the Indigenous-  
Racialized Youth Scholars Engage with  
Communities in Speakers Program  
of the United Church.**

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### **UPCOMING WORSHIP**

Sunday, October 12 - Lynne Calnek

(Bowman United Church congregation invited)

Sunday, October 19 - Foodgrains Canada incl. video

by Luke and Winston

Sunday, October 26 - Rev. Ron Archer - Wisdom Scriptures

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