



August 18, 2024

We Gather Together

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Valerie Oden

Introit

Let Us Build a House vs. 1

MV 1

Call to Worship

Isaiah 55; 1-3 adapted

Dave Rumbold, Lay Leader

One: Ho you who are thirsty!

All: Come to the waters and drink.

One: Let us incline our hearts to the Holy,

All: Listening so that we may live.

Opening Prayer (in Unison)

Source of all, giver of life,

may we listen for your eternal whisper.

May we open our hearts to the abundant life you offer.

May we open our hands in service to those in need.

As we worship today on Treaty 6 lands,

may we remember those who have come before us

and honour them with our living. Amen.

*Opening Hymn

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

VU 264

We Listen for the Spirit

Scripture

I Samuel 3: 1-10
Isaiah 55: 1-3a

Dave Rumbold

Solo

Sherry Steele

Reflection

“Listening For Life”

Valerie Oden

*Hymn of Response

Deep in Our Hearts

MV 154

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Prayer Hymn

Lord, Listen to your Children Praying

VU 400

Silent Personal Prayer

Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer

VU 914

We Go Forth to Serve

Offering our Gifts

Offering plates can be found in the narthex. Electronic gifts are welcome by e-transfer to contactus@riverbendunited.org or on the church website. We give in gratitude for God's grace and in hope that peace may spread to all.

*Affirmation of Faith

A New Creed

VU 918

*Closing Hymn

I the Lord of Sea and Sky

VU 509

*Benediction

Postlude

**denotes you are invited to stand as you are able and inclined*

“VU” refers to the red hardback hymnal *Voices United*

“MV” refers to the spiral bound songbook *More Voices*

Welcome to Riverbend United Church. Special welcome to the people of St. Paul's United Church, here for our summer partnership worship.

If you're new with us, we would love to meet you. Feel free to introduce yourself to your neighbour in the pew or to our minister. We'd love to know you!

Our Mission

We, the people of Riverbend United Church, recognize the dignity, value, and beauty of every individual as a beloved child of God.

We seek to grow spiritually, deepening our connections to God and to each other through worship, discussion, reflection, and service.

We embrace the gifts brought by all people of every age, culture, economic background, ethnicity, gender, gender expression, mental and physical ability, and sexual orientation that enrich the life of this faith community.

As followers of Christ, we celebrate the diversity brought by each person who joins us on our journey and shares in our congregational life, welcoming their full participation in church membership, leadership, and celebration of life events.

