



June 21, 2026
National Indigenous People's Day

We Gather Together

Gathering music *Me and You* Manitou Mkwa Singers

Welcome Jennifer Tupper, Lay Leader

Commitment to Living in Right Relations Jill Spaner

Opening Prayer Jennifer Tupper

Call to Worship Alise Sevigny

One: Creator calls us into relationship -
with the land beneath our feet,
with the waters that sustain life,
and with one another.

All: We come seeking wisdom, humility, and peace.

One: From the beginning, Indigenous peoples have known this
land as sacred,
and have lived in relationship with all creation.

**All: May we learn to walk gently and respectfully upon the
earth.**

One: Our prophets call us to do justice, love kindness,
and walk humbly with God.

All: We are called to live in right relations.

One: In gratitude for treaty relationships, past, present, and
future we gather as people still learning how to live
together with honesty, courage, and care.

**All: May our worship today deepen our commitment to
reconciliation,
right relationship, the land, and our shared futures.**

One: Come, let us worship the Creator who calls us into
community.

**All: Let us worship in hope, in humility, and in love. Let
us worship with open minds and open hearts.**

*Opening Hymn *O Beautiful Gaia* MV 41

Children's time Sacred Symbols Jennifer Tupper
Children are invited forward for a special time.

*Hymn *It's a Song of Praise to the Maker* MV 30

We Listen for the Spirit

Scripture Readings Gospel of Mathew - 7: 24-27 *Wise and Foolish*
(From First Nations Version: An Indigenous Translation
of the New Testament)

Gospel Romans - 11: 17-18 *Do Not Think You*
Are Better
(From First Nations Version: An Indigenous Translation
of the New Testament)

Psalm 85 VU 802

*Hymn *Deep in our Hearts* MV 154

Circle teachings Jennifer Tupper

*Hymn *Draw the Circle Wide* MV 145

We Share in Prayer

Joys and Concerns Jill Spaner

Sharing and Round Dance: An Invitation into Relationship
Karin Weekes-West

Sharing our gifts Jill Spaner

Closing Hymn *Go Make a Difference* MV 209

Benediction Jill Spaner

May we go from this place remembering
that we are all treaty people
bound not only by history,
but by living responsibilities to one another.

May we walk gently on the earth,
honouring the lands and waters that sustain us,
and the Indigenous peoples who have cared for them
since time immemorial.

May we carry forward the teachings of respect,
of listening deeply,
of acting with humility and courage
when we are called to repair, restore, and renew.

And may we seek, in all that we do,
to live in good relation
with one another,
with the land,
and with the Creator.

Go now in peace,
with open hearts and willing spirits,
to do the good work that is ours to do.

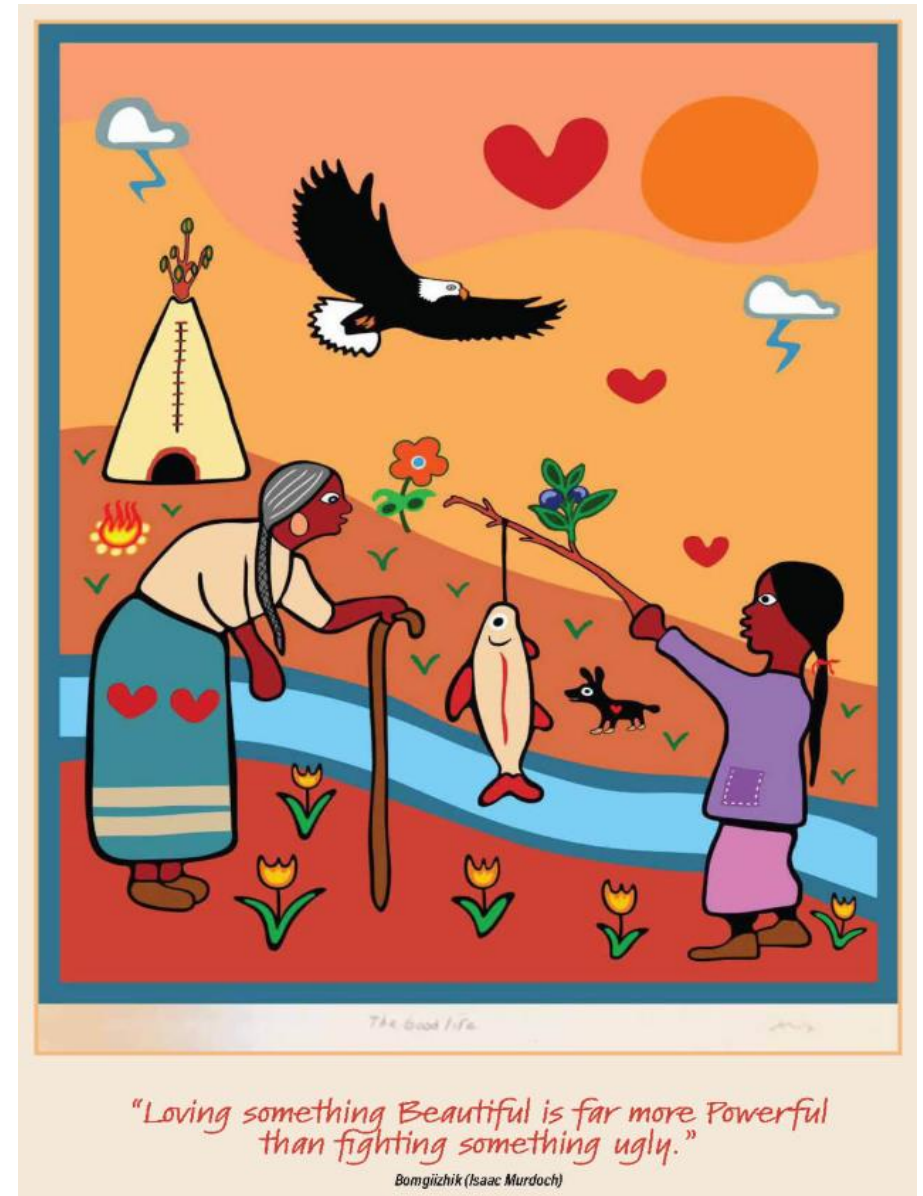
**Indicates you are invited to stand as able*
VU refers to the red hard bound hymnal, Voices United
MV refers to the small spiral bound hymnal, More Voices
TLUS refers to the new hymnal, Then Let Us Sing!

Welcome to Riverbend United Church!

We're glad you're here. If you're new with us, feel free to introduce yourself to your neighbour in the pews and fill out a **Welcome Card** in the narthex (foyer) so we can get to know you. We send a weekly email with upcoming events and ministry highlights. All the church events are listed in the **Front Pew newsletter** by the front doors to the church.

Rev. Valerie Oden is on leave until September 7th. Please contact the Church Office if you are in need of assistance during this time.

July Worship is at St. Paul's United Church, 11526 - 76 Avenue NW. They will join us at Riverbend in August.



Riverbend United Church

Sunday
June 21, 2026
10:30 a.m.

