



The United Church of Canada **Boiestown & St Thomas**

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4th Sunday in the Season of Creation

Today's Theme

Were you raptured last week? If you are reading this, I suppose not. There is a lot of “the end is nigh” talk around climate change but Jerimiah tells us how we should respond in moments like this.

* Indicates stand as you are able.

The congregation shall read the **bold-faced print**.

Gathering

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

Acknowledging Traditional Territory:

**Introit:* VU 516 Come, You Thankful People, Come, verse 1

**Call to Worship:*

One: Welcome to all as we join in worship this morning.

All: As sure as the sunrise, we lift each other up, united.

One: We come together as faith-filled people.

**All: As sure as the sunset, all our prayers rest
in the heart of God.**

One: Let the seeds of our faith grow deep...

All: connecting us to the vast, rich soil of creation.

One: In our receiving and our believing, let us worship.

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**Hymn:* VU 333 Love Diving, All Loves Excelling



Opening Prayer

Heavenly Creator of us all, receive our prayers brought to you this morning. We pray for wisdom when we care for creation. Help us to make the right decisions to ensure your beautiful world is appropriately tended and nourished. We pray for the wisdom of our municipal, provincial, and federal leaders that they too will make the best decisions that will hold your creation in the highest regard and respect. We pray that, as disciples of Jesus who seek to live with respect in creation, we may be like the sun shining on a cloudless dawn, the sun that makes the grass sparkle after a rain. We ask this in Christ's name. Amen.

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Announcements and Celebrations

Creed: VU 918 A New Creed

Word

Prayer for Illumination:

First Testament Reading: Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15

Reader: This is the witness of Israel.

All: Thanks be to God for the Word.

Gospel Reading: Luke 16:19-31

Reader: This is the good news of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Praise to Christ, the Word.

Meditation: It's About Attitude

**Hymn:* VU 288 Great is Thy Faithfulness

Thanksgiving

Minute for Mission

Offertory VU 518 As Those of Old, verse 1

Dedication

Prayers of The People & The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn: VU 681 Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life

Sending Forth

**Commissioning and Benediction:*

One: Go with the blessing of God upon you.

All: **We go as Spirit-bearers into the world.**

One: Let Christ be your guide, this week and beyond.

All: **The blessed being a blessing. Amen.**

Blessing: VU 420 Go to the World, verse 2

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A warm welcome to those who are worshipping with us today.

October 5, 2025 – 11:00a.m. – Boiestown – Communion & Pot Luck.

St. Thomas U.C.W. is having a Food & Rummage Sale on Friday, October 3, 2025 from 10:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. and on Saturday, October 4, 2025 from 9:00a.m. – noon. If you have items for the sale, contact Gail Stewart 365-4670 or Allie Lou Mitchell 365-7891 and they will let you in the Hall.

October 13, 2025 – St. Thomas Church Hall. Brian is moving his family's Thanksgiving Dinner to the St. Thomas Church Hall again this year. Brian will take care of the basics (turkey, potatoes, and carrots) and everyone is invited to join the pot-luck meal; bring something, or just bring yourself. Open to the public, but let Brian know so he knows how many potatoes to peel.

October 25, 2025 Roast Pork Dinner at the Lion's Club at 4:00p.m. by the Boiestown United Church. Donations toward meat & veggies need to be placed in your envelope. Lion's Club is buying the items in bulk. Adults: \$18.00; Children (12 and under) \$8.00; Preschoolers: Free. Purchase your tickets by October 16, 2025 and get entered to win a Fall Basket of goodies. Tickets available from Olga Ross 369-2617 E-transfer to rossolga5@gmail.com or Mary Ellen Black.