



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

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World Communion Sunday

Today's Theme

Parables are examples drawn from “real life” but how many of us have planted mustard? There are many life lessons that can be drawn from this simple plant. So, let’s explore.

* 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: As young and old,

All: we come at Christ’s invitation, O God.

One: As siblings in Christ,

All: we come.

One: From varied contexts and life situations,

All: we come.

One: From the corners of the earth,

All: we come.

One: We come to the table

All: at Christ’s invitation.

One: We come to worship

All: to pay attention to and to live out the Good News.

One: We come

All: to worship you, our God!
One: We come
All: joining at the table with our siblings in Christ
around the world.
One: Alleluia! Amen!

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**Hymn:* MV 1 Let Us Build a House

Opening Prayer

As we gather to receive God's Word and reflect upon it, we remember the faith of our ancestors who built this congregation, the faith of those who gather here today, and the faith of siblings in faith around the world. Remembering God's goodness, let us gather around his table to find a welcome, a promise, and a hope. We remember all those who have eaten at this table over the years and celebrate our oneness in Christ with them. We come to gather around the table of life. Amen.

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Announcements and Celebrations

Creed: VU 918 A New Creed

Word

Prayer for Illumination:

Epistle Reading: 2 Timothy: 1:1-14

Reader: This is the word of the church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Luke 17:5-10

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

All: Praise to Christ, the Word.

Meditation: Mustard Seeds

**Hymn:* MV 12 Come Touch our Hearts



Thanksgiving

Minute for Mission

Offertory VU 518 As Those of Old, verse 1

Dedication

**Hymn:* VU 467 One Bread, One Body

Sacrament of Communion

Prayers of The People & The Lord's Prayer

Sending Forth

**Commissioning and Benediction:*

One: Do not fear: The Spirit of Life is with you.

All: The Spirit gathers people from all directions.

One: Each one is created for God's glory.

All: We are formed and made to be Christ for each other as part of the body of Christ.

One: Let us go out to be our part of the body of Christ in the world.

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Blessing: VU 420 Go to the World, verse 2

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

October 12, 2025 – 11:00a.m. – Doaktown – Thanksgiving.

October 13, 2025 – St. Thomas Church Hall. Brian is having his family's Thanksgiving Dinner again this year. Open to the public, but let Brian know if you will be attending.

October 15, 2025 – Council Meeting – Boiestown – 11:00a.m.

October 25, 2025 – Roast Pork Dinner at the Lion's Club at 4:00p.m. Donations toward meat & veggies need to be placed in your envelope. Tickets available from Olga Ross 369-2617 E-transfer to rossolga5@gmail.com or Mary Ellen Black.

Sacrament of Communion

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to God.

Let us give thanks to God.

It is good to give God thanks and praise.

Loving God, Creator and Source of all, we thank and praise you
with our lips and with our lives, that, having created us and all
things through your Word, you welcome our prayer and praise.

For the goodness of creation and the potential flung throughout it,

We praise you.

For the law of love, inspiring us to holiness, and the call of
prophets, correcting us in our many human flaws,

We praise you.

For making your love known in Jesus, Living Love and Holy
Prophet, giving hope to the despairing, healing to the sick,
forgiveness to the sinner, and freedom to the oppressed,

We praise you.

For teaching us love until those with power were so threatened
they sought to take you from us, and then showing how nothing
can separate us from your Spirit of love, not even death,

We praise you.

Therefore, with all that is, seen and unseen,
and with all the faithful of every time and place,
we join in this hymn of praise and thanksgiving:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We gather at this table to remember that on the night before he died, it was Jesus who took a loaf of bread, gave you thanks, broke it, and said, “Take and eat; whenever you do this, remember me.”

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup, saying, “This is the new covenant; remember me.”

Send, O God, your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts, that all who share in this loaf and cup may be the body of Christ: light, life, and love in the world.

In this hope and as your people, we praise you.

Amen.

We remember as we come to this table, this is not the table of this congregation, or The United Church of Canada, it is the table of Jesus Christ, the family feast of the whole people of God.

All who seek to be nourished and sustained and long to live justly and in peace with their neighbour, are welcome here.

Let us eat and drink together for our strengthening in the faith, and for the sake of the world.

[Distribution]

Let us pray,

For the bread we have eaten, for the wine we have tasted, for the life we have received, we thank you God.

Grant that what we have done and been given here, may so put its mark on us, that it may remain always in our hearts.

Grant that we may grow in Christian love and understanding, and that ours may be lives of faithful action, in Christ’s name. Amen.