

ST. ANDREW'S UNITED CHURCH (Williams Lake)

October 9, 2022

10:00 am

Thanksgiving Sunday

Ministers of the Gospel: Everyone!

Minister of Word, Sacrament & Pastoral Care: Rev Nancy Colton

Music Director: Rocco Catalano

Pianist: Michael Bruce

Stand Up Bass: Hal Giles

Order of Service

**Welcome
The Peace**

One: In the name of Jesus, who is alive in each of us, peace to you.

All: And also to you.

Centering for Worship

Lighting the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

One: Shouts of joy! Songs of praise!
Gestures of hope and love!

**All: These are moments of thanksgiving –
giving thanks to our God!**

One: *Adonai* is our God. Our Creator.
We are God's people, led by God's love.

**All: These are moments of thanksgiving –
giving thanks to our God!**

One: Enter God's house of thanksgiving.
Enter God's house full of praise!

**All: These are moments of thanksgiving –
giving thanks to our God!**

One: God's love is never ending.

All: God is good! Alleluia!

One: On this day of the harvest celebration,

All: we bring our gifts to you, God.

**You have brought us into this place
and shared with us this land,
a land flowing with milk and honey,
a land flowing with lakes and trees,
a land flowing with _____,
a land flowing with your love.**

Bless this thanksgiving, offered now to you!

In Christ's name, we ask it. May it be so.

Opening Prayer

Hymn – *Come, Let Us Sing*

VU 222

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

Scripture Readings:

Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Bringing tithes; a wandering Aramean was
my ancestor.

Sung Psalm – Psalm 100 Make a Joyful Noise VU pp. 820-821

Philippians 4:4-9 The peace of God, which passes all
understanding.

John 6:25-35 Give us the bread from heaven for eternal life.

Sermon

Musical Interlude – introducing a hymn – (not necessarily singing)

Creator God You Gave Us Life MV27

Offering Prayer

Offering Hymn – *Grateful*

MV 182

Gratitude Pumpkin Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern

The Lord's Prayer (sung) VU 959

The Life and Work of our Congregation*
Minute for Mission

Hymn – *As a Fire is Meant for Burning* VU 578

Blessing and Sending Forth

Closing Song – *Go Now in Peace* VU 964

*Full credits & acknowledgments
are in the Presider's copy of the service.*

The Life and Work of the Congregation

Thank you for being with us this morning, in the sanctuary or in your home, I'm so glad you came.

MacKinnon Hall rental – Cariboo Kennel Club. The Cariboo Kennel Club has rented MacKinnon Hall every Tuesday and Thursday evening for the next six weeks for obedience classes. While this adds to our rental income it does mean the tables and chairs will need to be taken down after other events through the week – including coffee and fellowship time on Sundays after church. Thank you for making room for the kennel club to use our space.

Interim Office Coordinator. A gentle reminder that our Interim Office Coordinator, Karen, is working a reduced hour workweek. While we search for a new office coordinator if Karen isn't working in the church office, the church office isn't open. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Upcoming Conversation – Mission, Vision, Identity. After worship on **October 16th** anyone and everyone who is interested in working on refreshing, re-imagining, and updating our Mission and Vision is invited and encouraged to come and participate in the conversation.