



October 25th, 2026

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Text in **bold** indicates speaking in unison.

This symbol ** indicates we will stand if able

Hearing amplification devices available at the sound booth

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WE GATHER

Shalom: Let us extend “shalom”– An ancient word of faith meaning peace, wholeness, wellness, & blessing.

Lighting of the Christ Candle

(Celebrate God’s Presence, 2000, page 27. Used with permission.)

One: God, you touch our lives with mystery and hope.

**All: We come to this place today,
ready to see your power working through us.**

One: Help us to be open to your Word,

All: and to answer your call among us.

One: In the name of Jesus.

All: Amen.

****Hymn: “Come Touch Our Hearts” MV 12 v.1-3**

Words of Welcome

Opening Prayer

(Christian Conference of Asia, *Celebrate God's Presence*, page 543-544. Used with permission.)

One: Give us, O Lord, churches that will be more courageous than cautious;
All: **that will not merely comfort the afflicted but afflict the comfortable;**
One: that will not only love the world but also judge the world;
All: **that will not only pursue peace but also demand justice;**
One: that will not remain silent when people are calling for a voice;
All: **that will not pass by on the other side when wounded humanity is waiting to be healed;**
One: that will both call us to worship and send us out to witness;
All: **that will follow Christ even when the way points to a cross.**
One: To this end, we offer ourselves in the name of him who loved us and gave himself for us.
All: **Amen.**

****Hymn:** "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" VU 684

Time for the Young and Young at Heart

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Matthew 22: 34-46, read by Enid DeCoe

Music Ministry: "Flying Free" by D. Besig

Sermon: "Love with Heart and Soul and Mind"

WE RESPOND

Prayers of the People

Prayer of Jesus (The Lord's Prayer)

We offer our prayers to the one God, Mother of us all,
as we join in the prayer of Jesus:

Life and Work of the Congregation

Offertory Prayer (unison)

Loving God, we give these gifts with thankful hearts.
Use them to share your love, your mercy, and your hope with the
world.

****Hymn: "I Have Called You By Your Name" MV 161 v.1-3**

WE GO OUT TO BE THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD

**** Benediction & Commissioning**

**** Closing Hymn: "I Have Called You By Your Name" MV 161 v.4**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mitten Tree

Our Mitten Tree is going up next month! IDEA: shop for items at our bazaar if you do not knit. Items collected given to children at our local schools.

Upcoming Faith Events

November 1: Pumpkin Parade
November 7: Faith Christmas Bazaar
November 12: Shopping Bus Tour
December 6: Faith Christmas Concert
January 3: Faith Hockey Fundraiser

Thank you for Tuning in to CKDO For the Wartime Radio Show

Thank you to Diana for all your work coordinating and leading the production of the Wartime Radio Show! Thank you to the whole cast for all the practices and the wonderful performances! Thank you to all who helped with set pieces, costumes, ticket sales, baking delicious war cakes, and promoting this event. And thank you to everyone who came out to support this event!

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

November Bus Trip – A Shopping Adventure!

Thursday November 12th – reserve your ticket for a country experience, with stops in Campbellford, Stirling, and close to Belleville. Stop in at Empire Cheese, Stedman's, Trent Hill Mercantile & Hardware, Dooher's Bakery, and Taste of Country. Bus leaves at 8am; tickets are \$100. See Linda or Beth for more details.

Family Fun Night – October 30th

Wear your Halloween costumes!

East Central Ontario Prayer Cycle
South Bay United Church – Milford, ON

Pumpkin Parade – November 1st

Wondering what to do with your jack-o-lanterns after Halloween? Bring them to Faith United Church for a Pumpkin Parade! November 1st, drop off your jack-o-lanterns from 9am-3pm. From 6:30-8:30pm walk the Faith trails by the light of the pumpkins! This year we are also accepting donations of non-perishable food items for the Back Door Mission.

Faith Christmas Bazaar

The Bazaar is two weeks away!

Please note the following information:

We are no longer accepting donations for the bazaar. Thank you to everyone who donated items this year.

Items for the baking and preserves table:

Please drop these off at the church on Friday November 6th, no earlier. Thank you.

Faith United Church Hockey Night Fundraiser

Save the date! Join us for a fun-filled afternoon on Sunday January 3rd, 2027, as we watch the Oshawa Generals vs the Barrie Colts. The puck drops at 2:05pm! Tickets will be sold by Elleena Keating today after church in the atrium.

Christmas Concert

Save the date! Join us on Sunday December 6th at 2pm for our Faith Christmas Concert featuring the Faith United Choir and friends. Once again this event will be a benefit for Lifewater Canada.

Upcoming Office Closure

Please note that the church offices will be closed on Wednesday November 11th. All staff have the day off for the Remembrance Day holiday.

As an act of respect and reconciliation we at Faith United acknowledge that our church is on the unceded land of the (Ah-nish-nah-bay) Anishinaabe, the (HO-den-o-SHO-nee) Haudenosaunee Confederacy, and the Huron-Wendat. We are treaty people living in the region of the Williams Treaty.

Faith United is a scent-free environment.

Our accessible washroom is on the main floor.
Other washrooms are available in the Sun Room.
Please share your bulletins, then recycle them.

Faith United Mission Statement

We believe in a loving and forgiving God, shown to us through Jesus Christ, creation, the bible, and the community of believers.

Therefore, we will:

strive to provide a spiritual home that is openly welcoming, nurturing and safe whatever a person's gifts, age, ethnicity, exceptionality, disability, gender identity, sexual orientation, or social or economic circumstance may be.

seek to become disciples of Christ growing in faith through worship, study and prayer;

risk sharing our resources with local and global neighbours in response to God's call;

be committed to the responsible use and care of all that God has entrusted to us;

encourage all who gather here to participate freely in the life and work of this church.

Let our actions reflect our faith.

This Week at Faith United

Monday October 26	Euchre 1pm Sparks (S): 6pm Pathfinders/Rangers (SR) 6.30pm The Porch Light (LR): 6.30pm
Tuesday October 27	Quilting & Knitters (SR): 9:30am TOTS (LR): 10am Private Rental 7pm Happy Harmony Choir (SR): 7pm
Wednesday October 28	Junior Youth Group 6:30pm
Thursday October 29	Men's Gathering (LR): 9:30am Craft Group: 10am Choir (S): 7pm
Friday October 30	Family Fun Night: 5pm
Saturday October 31	Happy Halloween!
Sunday November 1	Hybrid Worship (S): 10:30 am Private Rental (S): 7pm Pumpkin Parade: 6:30-8:30pm

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