November 22nd, 2026
Reign of Christ Sunday

Text in **bold** indicates speaking in unison.
This symbol ** indicates we will stand if able
Hearing amplification devices available at the sound booth
This service is being livestreamed on YouTube

WE GATHER

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

Lighting of the Christ Candle and Call to Worship

(Prayer by **Karen Coogan**, Oasis U.C., Penticton, B.C. **Gathering**, Pentecost 2 2026, pg. 49. Used with permission.)

One: Let us celebrate this day.
All: Christ reigns!
One: This is a day to declare:
All: Christ reigns!
One: In the light of Christ, the powers of the world are shown false.
All: Christ reigns!
One: In the light of Christ, even death holds no sway.
All: Christ reigns!
One: Christ reigns!
All: Hallelujah! Christ reigns!

****Hymn:** "Lord Prepare Me" **MV 18** (3 times)

Words of Welcome

Opening Prayer

(Prayer by **Judy Sears,** Willowgrove U.C., Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. **Gathering**, Pentecost 2 2026, pg. 49. Used with permission.)

One: Until the day of your coming, O Lord,
All: we will praise your Holy Name.
One: Until the day you wipe all our tears away, O Lord,
All: we will praise your Holy Name.
One: Until the day when death, grief, crying,
and pain will be no more, O Lord,
All: we will praise your Holy Name.
One: Until the day you return
to shepherd your people, O Lord,
All: we will praise your Holy Name.
One: And on that day when you live
among your people once again, O Lord,
All: we will kneel in awe and wonder.

Time for the Young and Young at Heart

****Hymn:** "God of Grace and God of Glory" **VU 686**

Update from Finance & Administration Committee

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Matthew 25: 31-46, read by Teena Daize

Music Ministry: "Open the Eyes of My Heart" by P. Baloche

Sermon: "The Least of These"

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:** "Walk With Me" **VU 649 v. 1-3**

WE GO OUT TO BE THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD

**** Benediction & Commissioning**

**** Closing Hymn:** "Walk With Me" **VU 649 v. 4**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Faith Events

November 29: Christmas Decoration Day
December 6: Faith Christmas Concert
December 8 – Last TOTS of 2026
December 12 – Movie Afternoon
December 24: Christmas Eve Service
January 3: Faith Hockey Fundraiser

United Church Calendars

The 2027 calendars have arrived! To purchase please see Donna Bignell or call her at 905-728-7749. Cost is $9

Porchlight Bible Study- Mondays 6:30pm

Porchlight Bible Study will be held in-person and online

East Central Ontario Prayer Cycle

Dunbarton-Fairport United Church, Pickering, Ontario

Faith United Church Hockey Night Fundraiser

Sunday January 3rd, 2027, Oshawa Generals vs the Barrie Colts. The puck drops at 2:05pm! Tickets sold after church in the atrium.

Christmas Concert - Sunday December 6th at 2pm

Featuring the Faith United Choir and friends. This event will be a benefit for Lifewater Canada.

Youth Events

There will be a combined youth group event for those in Grades 6 – 12 tonight in the Living Room from 6:30 – 8pm. The theme is reflection; we will learn about mindfulness and create neurodiverse art. Join our youth group leaders Michelle, Suier, Teena, and Mark for an evening of fun, games, and food!

An Invitation from Ebenezer United Church

Creating a Dementia Friendly Community: please join us Thursday, December 3rd at 3pm when Dawn Kelles, the Community Education Coordinator for the Alzheimer Society of Durham Region, will offer tips and education on how we can continue to create a welcoming, inclusive and supportive community for people living with dementia. There will be resources to support people living with dementia and their care partners. This will be a 2 hour session.

Please contact Joanne in the office to register for this event; registration closes November 26th.

Advent Decorating Event

November 29th is Advent One, and we will once again be staying after worship to decorate the church. A pizza lunch will be provided. Our thanks go to the Property Committee for retrieving all of the Christmas decorations from storage!

Family Fun Night – November 27th

This is our final Family Fun Night of 2026!
Join us at 5pm for games and food – Chef Danny is standing by in the kitchen!

Movie Afternoon – December 12th at 3pm

NEW! Have you heard about 'The Chosen'? The Chosen is a video series that re-enacts the events of the New Testament. The series invites you to enter into the story as a witness to Jesus' life and works. Afterwards we will have discussion time to share what we learned and to answer any questions. For more information please see Beth or Teena.

Our Thanks

Our thanks go to Amanda DeBoer, who leads us in music today. We appreciate you sharing your musical talents with us!

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 November 23	NTW Book Study- 1pm Euchre- 1pm Sparks (S): 6pm Pathfinders/Rangers (SR) 6.30pm Porchlight Bible Study 6:30pm- online & in-person
Tuesday November 24	Quilters and Knitters 9:30am TOTS (LR): 10am Happy Harmony Choir (SR): 7pm
Wednesday November 25	
Thursday November 26	Men's Gathering (LR): 9:30am Craft Group: 10am Choir 7pm
Friday November 27	Family Fun Night 5pm
Saturday November 28	Private Rental 8am-6pm
Sunday November 29	Hybrid Worship (S): 10:30 am Christmas Decoration set up Private Rental (S): 7pm

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