West Plains United Church

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September 21st, 2025 15th Sunday after Pentecost



West Plains Mission Statement

We are an active faith community, seeking to deepen our relationship with God through thoughtful worship, prayer, uplifting music, outreach, friendship and study, inspired by a setting overlooking nature. We are a growing church family welcoming people of all ages to follow Jesus' teachings in their lives.

*Indicates an invitation to stand, as you are able. VU - Voices United hymn book, MV - More Voices hymn book.

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

We begin with a time of reflection.

Prelude: "A Morning Contemplation" - S. Vann

Opening Words

*Hymn: "Deep In Our Hearts" MV 154

Opening Prayer

Welcome, Announcements, and Celebrations

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Choir Anthem: "If Ye Love Me, Keep My Commandments" - T. Tallis

Prayer of Illumination

Scriptures:

Responsive Psalm # 112 VU 834
"The just shall trust in God alone."

Second Reading: Deuteronomy 5:1-22

Sermon: "Love Before Law"

*Hymn: "Be Still, My Soul" VU 652

GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Offertory

*Dedication of Offering:

VU 541

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures high and low, Give thanks to God in love made known: Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayer Refrain: "Be Still and Know" (sung 3 times) MV 77

Be still and know that I am God.

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Pastoral Prayer & Prayer of Jesus

(VU 921)

GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME

*Hymn: "Walk with Me" VU 649

*Commissioning & Benediction

*Threefold Amen

Postlude: "Awake, Awake to Love and Work" - W. Held

You are invited to remain seated until the Postlude is concluded to enjoy a time of meditation as we conclude our worship service.

Minister: The Rev. Barbara Morrison Music Director: Lianne Tan Office Administrator: Wendy Thomson Video Technician: Jacob Sadler

First Nations people have walked on this land; their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives and spirituality. We are mindful that West Plains stands on the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee, Anishnabe and Neutral Peoples and that we are all treaty people, parties to the Dish With One Spoon and the Upper Canada Treaties. May we live with respect on this land and live in peace and friendship with all who live, work and worship on it.

Please keep in your Prayers this week:

Audrey Underwood, Gretchen Harris, Jan Hazelton, Marnie Gaylard, Joan King, Sarah Chandler, Rev. Philip Gardner, Sheila Thomas-Edge.

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Live!@WestPlains presents...in the Sanctuary:

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th, 2025, 2:30-4:15 PM [live & ticketed livestreamed]

TANGLED STRINGS ~ Sunshine Quan, harp, and Django Klumpp, guitar

TICKETS \$25 in Advance or \$30 at the Door/\$20 Youth 16y & under/\$20 video