

*We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, widowed, gay, confused, filthy rich, comfortable, or dirt poor. We extend a special welcome to wailing babies and excited toddlers.*

*We welcome you whether you can sing like Pavarotti or just growl quietly to yourself. You're welcome here if you're 'just browsing', just woken up or just got out of prison. We don't care if you're more Christian than the Archbishop of Canterbury, or haven't been to church since Christmas ten years ago.*

*We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome keep-fit mums, football dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk-food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems, are down in the dumps or don't like 'organized religion'. (We're not that keen on it either!)*

*We offer a welcome to those who think the earth is flat, work too hard, don't work, can't spell, or are here because granny is visiting and wanted to come to church.*

*We welcome those who are inked, pierced, both or neither. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down their throat as kids or got lost on the residential streets of our neighbourhood and wound up here by mistake. We welcome pilgrims, tourists, seekers, doubters ... and you!*

**Slightly modified from the service bulletin cover  
at Coventry Cathedral**

## SAINT LUKE'S UNITED CHURCH

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**SAINT LUKE'S UNITED CHURCH**  
House of Friendship

**October 14, 2018                      Pentecost 21                      10:30 a.m.**

Welcome to Saint Luke's, the House of Friendship, where all are welcome regardless of age, gender, race, ethnic origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, differing abilities, or economic circumstances.

“Job offers his complaint against God.”                      Job 23:1-9

**Hymn Sing:**

**Organ Prelude:**

**Welcome**

**Announcements (Joys, Concerns, and Ministry Updates)**

**Territorial Acknowledgement**

“We must acknowledge that the Creator entrusted the land on which we gather to First Nations Peoples. We strive to decolonize our hearts, minds, and spaces; to make right with all our relations. May it be so.”

♪ **Hymn VU 326:                      O for a thousand tongues to sing**

**PLACING OURSELVES BEFORE THE WONDER OF GOD**

**Call to Worship**

**Dr. Peter Kopplin**

One: Greetings to our brothers and sisters in faith.

**All: We come to celebrate God's presence, and God's love expressed through Jesus Christ.**

One: We come remembering Christ's life and ministry, and the life we are called to live.

**All: We come as a pilgrim people searching for ways to live out our faith.**

One: We come seeking the strength to carry on our journey.  
Let us rejoice in God's gift to us!

**All: Let us Celebrate the Waters of Renewal and entry into the Grace of Jesus Christ.**

If you wish to volunteer, please ask the minister or see the church office.

Service	October 21	October 28	November 11
Ushers	David Agustin Windlove Agamao Merlin Atayde Joshua Hernandez	Bob Keel Penny Keel Olga Semple Maelyne Abrenica	Cornelio Ocampo David Domingo Ritchie Javillonar Gilbert Domingo
Counters	Julie Chan Atayde Edna Lisondra	Rose Marie Agustin Olga Semple	Cornelio Ocampo Eva Palecpec
Presiders	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed

**Fall at a Glance**

Bible Study and the Healing Service will begin in October. The first Healing Service will begin on Sunday October 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 pm in the Chapel. Bible Study will begin Sunday October 21<sup>st</sup> at 9 am in the minister's office. (The Jesus breakfast – Feasting on the Word). Rev. Macpherson is holding office hours on Thursday and Friday from 3 – 5 pm. An end of month communion service will be held on Friday October 26<sup>th</sup> in the evening in the Chapel.

There will be a board meeting held on Sunday October 21<sup>st</sup> following the worship service.

The Memorial Service for Mary Finlay will be held on Saturday October 13<sup>th</sup> 2 pm at Forest Hill United Church

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Kelly Adams.

**Today**

**Pastoral Prayer of this week:**

Those in need of your prayers:  
 Ruth Carbonell, Rick and Diane Pettitt, Angela and Samuel Awe,  
 Rev. Malcom Finlay, Jane Finlay and the Finlay family, Lynne Monte,  
 Don and Paul Peterson.

(The Pastoral Care Committee will put names for you to remember in your prayers. Please speak to Olga Semple, Rev. Andrew Macpherson or the church office)

**Next Week**

**Scripture Lessons for October 21**

Job 38:1-7, (34-41)	God's rebuttal to Job's complaint.
Hebrews 5:1-10	Christ learned obedience and was made perfect.
Mark 10:35-45	James and John request to sit beside Jesus's right and left.

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Date	Readers	Scripture Lessons
October 21	Samuel Awe	Job 38:1-7 Hebrews 5:1-10
October 28	Volunteers needed	Job 42:1-6, 10-17 Hebrews 7:23-28
November 4	Volunteers needed	Ruth 1:1-18 Hebrews 9:11-14
November 11	Volunteers needed	Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17 Hebrews 9:24-28

**Opening Prayer**

**Dr. Peter Kopplin**

**Profession of Faith** (seated; in unison)

With the Church through the ages,  
 we speak of God as one and triune:  
 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
 We also speak of God as  
 Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer  
 God, Christ, and Spirit  
 Mother, Friend, and Comforter  
 Source of Life, Living Word, and Bond of Love,  
 and in other ways that speak faithfully of  
 the One on whom our hearts rely,  
 the fully shared life at the heart of the universe.

(A Song of Faith)

♪ **Hymn VU 658: O Love that wilt not let me go**

**Time with Children and Young Adults**

**LISTENING TO HOLY SCRIPTURES**

**Old Testament**                      **Job 23:1-9, 16-17**

**New Testament**                      **Hebrews 4:12-16**

♪ **Hymn VU 154: Why has God forsaken me**

**Gospel**                                      **Mark 10:17-31**

**Sermon**                                      **The Rich Young Man**

Rev. Andrew Macpherson

**SHARING GOD’S LOVE WITH OTHERS**

Dr. Peter Kopplin

**Sharing of the Peace of Christ**

**Jesus said: “When you are offering your gift at the altar,  
If you remember that your brother or sister  
Has something against you,  
Leave your gift and go;  
First be reconciled to your brother or sister,  
And then come and offer your gift.”  
The peace of Christ be with you all**

**Let us Share the Peace of Christ**

**Inviting Our Gifts & Offerings**

We abide in God and offer our lives. God use even what is pruned for the growing. Let us bring the first fruits of our lives, the first fruits of our hearts to our neighbours following Christ's teachings.

**\*Offertory Response: God Of All Good**

**VU #539**

♪ God of all good, our gifts we bring to you,  
use them your holy purpose to fulfil,  
tokens of love and pledges brought anew,  
that our whole life is offered to your will. ♪

**Our Prayers**

Dr. Peter Kopplin

**Meditation on Hope**

**Prayers of the People**

Rev. Andrew Macpherson

**The Lord’s Prayer**

Our Father, which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come.  
Thy will be done in earth,  
As it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
As we forgive them that trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
The power, and the glory,  
For ever and ever.  
Amen.

**♪Hymn VU 663: My faith looks up to thee**

Commissioning and Benediction

**Postlude:**

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Please sign the Guest Book in the Narthex and join the congregation for a time of fellowship after the service.

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**Minutes for Missions**

If Mission & Service giving is already a regular part of your life, thank you so much! If you have not given, please join me in making Mission & Service giving a regular part of your life of faith. Loving our neighbour is at the heart of our Mission & Service.