



First Presbyterian Church

Recovenanting Sunday, September 13th, 2026

The 16th Sunday after Pentecost

(The Second Sunday in the Season of Creation)

Minister: **The Reverend Marianne Emig Carr**

Director of Music: **Kathleen Howard** Reader: **Janet LeBrun**

Welcome to worship!

Information for In-Person Worship

- * **ACCESSIBLE WASHROOM FACILITIES** for all people are available on the Sanctuary level. These washrooms are found through the doors behind the Choir Loft - right turn - straight ahead. Please feel free to use these washrooms whenever necessary!
- * **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY** – Following the Recovenanting Liturgy, the children are invited to join Denise Kent (Church School Coordinator) and Max Chapman (Church School Assistant) for a time of fun, games, and faith-centered activities in the Lower Hall.
- * **HEARING IN THE SANCTUARY** - First Church has available a system of FM RECEIVERS and HEADSETS. They are for use by those who find it difficult to hear in the Sanctuary. If you would like to use one this morning, please speak with our Sound Technician.
- * **COFFEE HOUR** – You are invited to join us for coffee and fellowship in the Church Hall this morning following worship. To access the Hall, go through the doors behind the choir loft (or use the lift) and down the stairs. Just follow your nose to delicious treats, stimulating conversation and great fellowship. To volunteer to host, bake, or bring food to any coffee hour sign the sheet in the Church Hall or call Tamara Chapman.
- * **PLEASE NOTE – DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS?** If you do, the Greeters are the appropriate people to go to for ALL questions and assistance with the elevator, water, washrooms, bulletins, etc.

ASSISTING YOU THIS MORNING

Greeter: **Janice Walroth** Elevator: **Bob Walroth**

Sound and Video Team – **Quentin Robinson, Michel LaBonte**

Mark Leslie and Kade LeBrun



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- * YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@firstpresbyterianchurchbro482/streams>

- * **Cogeco/Channel 10/700 Services** every Sunday at 7 am. and 5:30 pm.

- * **For pastoral care or assistance**, please call the Church Office at 613-345-5014 or 613-340-3310. You may also call or text Reverend Marianne at 613-449-5042.

the people of God gather....

Organ Prelude:

Here I Am, Lord

Daniel Schutte - arr. John Carter

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship God

Minister: Praise the God of life.

People: Let us praise God together.

Minister: For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God's steadfast love;

People: as far as the east is from the west, so far God removes our sins.

Minister: So let us rejoice in God's gracious presence.

All: Let us praise the God of mercy together.

Opening Hymn # 314:

God is love: come heaven adoring

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1. God is love: come heaven, adoring;

God is love: come earth, rejoice.

Come creation, voices soaring,

sing exulting with one voice.

God who laid the earth's foundation,

God who spread the heavens above,

God who breathes through all creation –

God is love, eternal love.

2. God is love, whose arms enfolding

all the world in one embrace,

with unfailing grasp are holding

every child of every race,

and when human hearts are breaking

under sorrow's iron rod,

all the sorrow, all the aching

wrings with pain the heart of God.

3. God is love, and though with blindness

sin afflicts all human life,

God's eternal loving kindness

guides us through all earthly strife.
Sin and death and hell shall never
o'er us final triumph gain;
God is love: so love forever
o'er the universe must reign.

Prayer As We Approach God

Minister: Creating and giving God,

People: the heavens and the earth are full of your glory.

Minister: Your love transforms our lives.

People: You enter our confusion and give insight.

Minister: You bear our grief and bring healing.

People: You see our fatigue and renew strength.

Minister: You sense our fear and spark courage.

People: You know death and raise up new life.

Minister: So, we come before you today, handing over to you all that weighs us down.

All: Renew us in this time of worship, we pray, so that we may serve you with joy in Jesus' name. Amen.

The Chancel Choir Introit

Creating God, Your Fingers Trace

Jeffrey W. Rowthorne

(Hymn # 265 – UCC Voices United)

Prayer of Confession

Minister: Out of a desire to begin again, with you and one another, we confess our sins:

People: Merciful God, our lives do not always reflect your transforming power. You are faithful, but we fall short in keeping our covenants with you. You are gracious, but we cling to judgment. You are kind, but we can be cruel. You are forgiving, but we nurse grudges and old wounds. You are loving and giving, but we abuse those gifts, including our fellow human beings and all you have created. Forgive us, O God. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, and make us new through Christ, your Son and our Saviour. Amen.

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Minister: The proof of God's amazing love is this: that while we were sinners, Christ died for us. Know that you are forgiven by his grace and be at peace with God, with yourselves and with each other. Amen.

Recovenanting Liturgy

Minister: Today we gather again as a church family. We have rested, travelled, worked, played, and enjoyed the gifts of summer. Now we begin another year of worship, learning, fellowship and service. We come together to renew our covenant with God and with one another. Together, we mark this Season of Creation and give thanks again for all that God has made. So, on this Recovenanting Sunday, we again ask, will you commit yourselves to worship God, to grow in faith, and to follow Jesus in the way of love?

All: We will. We will worship with open hearts, listen for God's Word, pray with one another, and seek to follow Jesus every day.

Minister: Will you commit yourselves to being a church family where children and youth are welcomed, where every person is valued, where gifts are shared, and where we care for one another?

All: We will. We will welcome one another, encourage one another, forgive one another, and share both our joys and our struggles. We will make room for children, youth, and for all who are seeking to understand, to learn, to question, to lead, and to grow in faith.

Minister: Will you commit yourselves to serving God beyond these walls - to caring for our neighbours, seeking justice, and protecting the beautiful world God has entrusted to us?

All: We will. We will look beyond ourselves. We will share what we have. We will care for creation and seek the flourishing of all God's people and all God's creatures.

Minister: We know that we cannot do these things perfectly, and we cannot do them alone. We will need God's grace and one another. So, people of God, will you make this covenant together?

All: We will. We give ourselves to God and to one another. We will bring our prayers, our gifts, our time, and our energy. We will learn together, serve together, worship together, and grow together. When we stumble, we will begin again. When we are discouraged, we will encourage one another. And when we celebrate, we will celebrate together.

Minister: God has called us. Christ goes with us. The Spirit gives us strength.

All: By God's grace, we say "yes" to this year ahead. "Yes" to faith. "Yes" to community. "Yes" to service. "Yes" to caring for God's good creation.

Minister: This is our promise to God and to each other.

All: This is our calling. This is our covenant And by God's grace, we will live it together. Amen.

1. How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in God's excellent word!
What more can God say than to you hath he said,
to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?
2. "Fear not, I am with thee; oh be not dismayed!
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee and cause thee to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.
3. "When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow,
for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.
4. "When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply;
the flames shall not hurt thee; I only design
thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.
5. "The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose
I will not – no will not desert to his foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavour to shake,
I'll never – no, never – no, never forsake!"

to hear God's word

Prayer for Insight and Understanding

Janet: God of wisdom, prepare our hearts and minds to receive your Word. Where it challenges us, lead us by your Spirit to respond in faithfulness for the sake of Christ who gives us both courage and compassion. Amen.

Psalm 114 (read responsively)

Janet: When Israel went out from Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange language, Judah became God's sanctuary - Israel's dominion.

People: The sea looked and fled; Jordan turned back. The mountains skipped like rams, the hills like lambs.

Janet: Why is it, O sea, that you flee? O Jordan, that you turn back? O mountains, that you skip like rams? O hills, like lambs?

People: Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob, who turns the rock into a pool of water, the flint into a spring of water.

The Scripture Lesson

Exodus 14: 19-31

New International Version (NIV)

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Janet: Then the angel of God, who had been traveling in front of Israel's army, withdrew and went behind them. The pillar of cloud also moved from in front and stood behind them, coming between the armies of Egypt and Israel. Throughout the night the cloud brought darkness to the one side and light to the other side; so, neither went near the other all night long. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and all that night the Lord drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land. The waters were divided, and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left.

The Egyptians pursued them, and all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and horsemen followed them into the sea. During the last watch of the night the Lord looked down from the pillar of fire and cloud at the Egyptian army and threw it into confusion. He jammed the wheels of their chariots so that they had difficulty driving. And the Egyptians said, "Let us get away from the Israelites! The Lord is fighting for them against Egypt."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea so that the waters may flow back over the Egyptians and their chariots and horsemen." Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at daybreak the sea went back to its place. The Egyptians were fleeing toward it, and the Lord swept them into the sea. The water flowed back and covered the chariots and horsemen - the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not one of them survived.

But the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left. That day the Lord saved Israel from the hands of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the shore. And when the Israelites saw the mighty hand of the Lord displayed against the Egyptians, the people feared the Lord and put their trust in him and in Moses his servant.

Janet: For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God within us, and for the word of God around us.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Chancel Choir Anthem:

Search Me, O God

J. Edwin Orr

The Message:

Living Water: Making A Way

Last Sunday, as we began the Season of Creation at our Rally service, we were invited to remember our source: God, the Creator, who gives us the water that sustains all life.

In our text today from Exodus, the waters are not calm. They are not simply a source of nourishment. The roaring waves of the Red Sea stand before God's people as an obstacle. The Israelites have escaped from Egypt, but they have not yet arrived at the Promised Land. The might of the Egyptian army is hot on their heels. They have left behind everything they have known, and now it seems that the very journey they believed would lead to freedom, has brought them, literally, to a “dead end”. They cry out to Moses, asking why he brought them out of Egypt. They would rather return to the certainty of slavery than face the uncertainty of what lies ahead.

Fear can do that to us. It can make us long for what is familiar, even when what is familiar does not get us where we need to be. But Moses tells them: **“Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the Lord will bring you today.”** And then God acts. The pillar of cloud moves between the Israelites and the Egyptian army. A strong wind blows through the night. The waters are divided. And the sea that appeared to be an impassable barrier becomes a path. The Israelites walk through the waters on dry ground. And when the Egyptians follow, the waters return.

The story is ultimately not about the cleverness or courage of the Israelites, or the evil acts of the Egyptians. It is about the faithfulness of God. God had promised to bring God's people out of slavery, and God did not abandon them when the journey becomes difficult. That is something worth remembering on this Recovenanting Sunday. Because a covenant is, at its heart, a commitment to remain faithful - to God and to one another. And a remarkable and often overlooked theme that runs through the entire biblical narrative is that **God's faithfulness always comes first.**

Before the Israelites can promise anything to God, God has already promised to them. Before they know how they will reach freedom, God has already begun making a way. Before they understand what lies ahead, God is already present with them. The covenant begins with God's faithfulness. Human response comes afterward. That is true of our own life of faith. We do not come here today because we have somehow managed to be perfectly faithful to God. We come because God has been faithful to us. There have been times when we have trusted God, and instances when we have doubted, times when we have kept our promises, and moments when we have failed. Times when we have known exactly where we were going, and periods when we have stood at the edge of our own Red Sea and wondered what could possibly happen next. And through all of it, God remains faithful.

That does not mean that life is easy. It does not mean that every sea will suddenly part before us. As we know from the rest of the Exodus story, the Israelites had a long wilderness journey ahead. But that moment on the shores of the Red Sea reminds them - and us - that we never make that journey alone. God goes before us. God stands beside us. God makes a way where we cannot yet see a way. The story from Exodus creates a connection between the Season of Creation and Recovenanting Sunday. Because a covenant is not simply a promise

between God and a group of human beings. It is a way of understanding ourselves as part of something much larger. We belong to God, to one another, and within God's creation. When we renew our covenant today, we are renewing our commitment to live faithfully within those relationships. We promise again to worship God, to seek God's will, to care for one another, to serve our neighbours, to advocate for justice, and to be a community where God's love can be known. And we do so, remembering that our promises are made in response to God's promise. God has been faithful. So, we seek to be faithful. God loves us. So, we seek to love one another. God has made a way for us. So, we seek to make a way for others.

That last promise may be the most important. The Israelites cross the sea because God makes a way where there seemed to be no way. And perhaps that becomes part of our calling as a church. Where someone feels stuck, can we help make a way? Where someone is lonely, can we make a way toward community? Where someone is burdened by poverty or injustice, can we make a way toward dignity and hope? Where creation is wounded, can we make a way toward healing? Where relationships have been broken, can we make a way toward reconciliation? We cannot part the Red Sea. But we can take the next faithful step. That is what God asks of us. We do not need to be perfect. We do not know what might lie ahead. We aren't promising that we will never fail. But that when we fail, we will return, begin again, and seek God's grace.

Perhaps that is one of the gifts of Recovenanting Sunday. It gives us permission to begin again. We look back and give thanks for God's faithfulness. We look honestly at where we have fallen short. And then we look forward and say once more: **Here we are, Lord. Make a way for us.** The Israelites did not know what awaited them on the other side of the sea. We do not know everything that awaits us, either. We do not know what the coming year will bring for our congregation, our families, our community, or our world. But we do know this: **God is faithful.** The God who heard the cries of enslaved people in Egypt, who stood between the Israelites and their enemies, who made a path through the waters is faithful. We know that the God who has brought us this far will not abandon us now.

Today, as we recovenant with God and each other, let us remember that our promises do not begin with us, but with God. As we enter another season of ministry together, may we trust that faithfulness enough to take the next step. Perhaps the path ahead will be uncertain and difficult to see. It might require us to make that "leap of faith" and go in a different direction. But God is with us. The waters will move. A way will open. And together, trusting in God's faithfulness, we will walk forward. The God who made a way through the waters so long ago is still calling us to follow again today - together. Amen.

[Blessing the Word in our Lives](#)

Minister: Creator of all, you know us and the created world around us. Thank you for caring for us even when our minds are narrow, and our hearts are hard, and our prejudices

stubborn. Thank you for staying with us wherever we go! Inspire us to diligently listen for your voice in your Word today and intently pay attention to our response. Amen.

Hymn # 647:

Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us

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1. Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
o'er the world's tempestuous sea;
guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,
for we have no help but thee,
yet possessing every blessing
if our God our guide shall be.

2. Saviour, breathe forgiveness o'er us,
all our weakness thou dost know;
thou didst tread this earth before us,
thou didst feel its keenest woe;
lone and dreary, faint and weary
through the desert thou didst go.

3. Spirit of our God descending,
fill our hearts with heavenly joy,
love with every passion blending,
pleasure that can never cloy;
thus provided, pardoned, guided
nothing can our peace destroy.

Responding in love with thanksgiving

Prayers of the People, the Lord's Prayer and Choral Amen

Minister: God of all creation, and of all creatures, we pray today for the peacemakers, for the seekers of justice, for people of goodwill who risk much, sometimes their lives, to stand in solidarity across many dividing lines and barriers. We pray for those who have lost family to violence, and for safety, security, human rights and dignity for all, not just for some. We especially pray for the people of Gaza, Afghanistan, Iran, Ukraine, Eritrea, Sudan, and Myanmar. We pray for the courage to continue working together for a world of justice, peace and equality. Loving God,

People: hear our prayer.

Minister: God who fashioned all that lives and moves, we give you thanks for agreements that safeguard the environment. During this Season of Creation, we especially pray for governments and non-governmental organizations to continue to make creation care a

priority. May their efforts be fruitful. Help each of us do what we can to tread lightly upon the earth and cherish all life on earth as a gift from you. Loving God,

People: hear our prayer.

Minister: God of all creation, we remember those who are far from power. We pray for those vulnerable in the face of flood and drought, wind and weather, those vulnerable in the face of impersonal global markets, those crying out for help and justice in times of distress. We pray for the land on which we all depend, but which we so often treat carelessly, polluting, exploiting and desecrating it. Please teach us to care for your creation, learning how to tread lightly on the land, preserving for generations to come. Loving God,

People: hear our prayer.

Minister: God of wholeness, we pray for all who seek healing—those anticipating or recovering from surgery, those living with pain or illness, those struggling with grief and loss, those who bear anxiety, depression or dementia, and other conditions which trouble mind and body. Give each one your presence and peace through our prayer and friendship. Loving God,

People: hear our prayer.

Minister: May all of us be inspired by the Word that makes all things new; to speak words of truth, words of dignity, words of peace, words of life, in the name of the Word who became flesh. As we gather on this Recovenanting Sunday to worship, to celebrate, and to give thanks for the life of this congregation, reach out through us to bring aid and advocacy to the most vulnerable of your creatures. We sum up all our prayers, silent and spoken, in the words Jesus taught us:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The People's Offering for the Work of Christ's Church

Invitation to the Offering

Minister: From generation to generation, God calls us to share God's redeeming love in the world. Let us offer God our gifts this day as tokens of that love, needed in our generation.

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Offering Praise Song

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise him, all creatures here below.

Praise him above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Prayer of Dedication

Minister: We give thanks to you, O God, because you have blessed us with so much. Yet we know that others have too little. Bless our gifts so they touch lives in need and become roots of justice in the world, for the sake of Jesus Christ, who sends us out in love. Amen.

Sending Hymn # 338:

Let all things now living

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1. Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
to God our Creator triumphantly raise,
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
by guiding us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us; pure light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into Light.

2. By law God enforces: the stars in their courses,
and sun in its orbit obediently shine.
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountain,
the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
with glad adoration a song let us raise,
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
to God in the highest, hosanna and praise!

The Benediction

Minister: Go in joy, knowing God rejoices over you! Care for others and for our created world, knowing God rejoices over them, too! Remember the promises that God has made to you and strive to fulfill the promises made to God and to each other. And may the blessing of the God who made us, the Christ who mends us, and the Spirit who gives us life be with you now and always. Amen.

Organ Postlude:

Voluntary in C Major

Starling Goodwin



Although today's global food production is sufficient to feed everyone on the planet, hunger continues to rise in too many parts of the world. If current trends continue, around 512 million people may still be chronically undernourished in 2030. This September, join PWS&D's annual Journey for Hope - a fundraiser where PWS&D's supporters gear up and walk, run, ride or do another activity they love to raise money for vital food security work around the world. Your participation in and support for Journey for Hope enables PWS&D to actively respond to hunger through food security projects in places like Haiti, Guatemala and Malawi. Funds also help provide emergency food assistance in extremely vulnerable countries, including Afghanistan, Yemen, Syria, Somalia, South Sudan and Ethiopia. Thank you for participating and making a difference!

A Mission Moment from The PCC

Presbyterian Church

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

- Sep 13 **RECOVENANTING SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**
11 am. in the Sanctuary. Church School begins. Coffee Hour follows worship.
- Sep 15 **CRAFT & CHAT** resumes in the Parlour at 1 pm.
* Meeting of Seaway/Glengarry Presbytery
- Sep 16 The **SESSION** will meet in the Red Room at 7 pm.
- Sep 17 **Hand Bell Choir rehearsals** resume at 4:15 in the Red Room.
- Sep 18 **Reverend Marianne leads worship at Bridlewood Manor**
- Sep 20 **PRESBYTERIANS SHARING SUNDAY** - 11 am. in the Sanctuary.
Church School continues. Coffee Hour follows worship.
- Sep 27 **TRUTH & RECONCILIATION SUNDAY** - 11 am. in the Sanctuary.
Church School continues. Sunday Supper Ministry - No Coffee Hour.
Flute rehearsals resume following worship, in the Choir Room.
- Sep 30 **ORANGE SHIRT DAY**

Happy Birthday to (Sept 13th to 19th):
JOSEPH KRAMARIC - September 13th
GWEN PAUL - September 14th
ASHLEY CRAIG - September 17th
IAN LOUGHREY - September 17th

Happy Anniversary to:
PETR & CAROL OXTOBEE - Sept. 13th
FRANCIS & JANET LEBRUN - Sept. 14th

Office Hours – September 14th to 18th
Monday, Sep. 14th – 10 am – 11:30 am; 1 pm – 4:30 pm
Tuesday, Sep. 15th – 10 am. to 4:30 pm.
Wednesday, Sep. 16th – 10 am. to noon.
Thursday, Sep. 17th – 10 am. to 4:30 pm.
Friday, Sep. 18th – 10 am. to 1 pm.

As the summer months come to an end, please remember **THE CHALLENGE!** How did you spend your summer? Where did you go? Whom did you visit? Send pictures and stories etc. to firstkirk@truespeed.ca anytime now. Thanks!

Stewardship Moments: Inspiring Generosity

**Like good stewards
of the manifold
grace of God, serve
one another with
whatever gift each
of you has received.**

1 Peter 4:10



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A MEETING of the CONGREGATION

Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the congregation of First Presbyterian Church called for Sunday, September 20th. The meeting will include a report on Finances, a report on the Capital Project and a report on an opportunity to lease the Sunday School Wing and 16 Church Street. The meeting will be

held in the Church Hall following worship. Get your coffee and goodies and find out what is going on in your church!

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Soprano – Alto – Tenor – Bass

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REGISTRATION & FIRST REHEARSALS

Wednesday, September 9th & 16th, 2026

Registration 6:30 pm

Rehearsal 7:00pm – 9 pm

Some FAQs About the Choir

Our Artistic Director is Madelyn Mensen

Our Collaborative Artist is Abe TeGrotenhuis

Adult membership dues are \$100 per session (2 per year)

Students are welcome - no membership dues.

Rehearsals are on Wednesdays starting at 7 pm to 9 pm
at St. Lawrence Anglican Church

All are welcome to attend for up to 3 rehearsals with no commitment.

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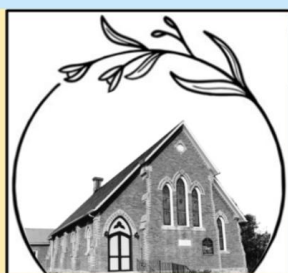
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Season of Creation

(Sept 1 – Oct 4)

The Season of
Creation is

an ecumenical celebration of prayer and action to protect the Earth, our common home, beginning September 1 and running through October 4. It is a chance to celebrate God's good creation while drawing attention to the ways we can seek to work and advocate to address environmental degradation, ecosystem health and the climate crisis. The theme for 2026 is "Living Water" and is drawn from Ezekial 47:1-12, which portrays God's life-giving water flowing from the temple of God. Global ecumenical prayers and resources highlighting this theme are available from seasonofcreation.org.



St. Paul's Presbyterian Church

150th ANNIVERSARY Celebration Concert

Saturday, Sept. 19 at 7:00pm

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church
14 Caintown Road, Mallorytown

Featuring the Caintown Choir and Chorus,
Lyn United Choir, Mallorytown United Choir
and the Covey Country Bluegrass Trio

Free-will offering for the Food Bank
Refreshments served afterward

Poster by C.A.T.





SEPTEMBER NEWS 2026

Update: Flooding in Nepal

The scale of the disaster in Nepal continues to grow. The PCC's partner, United Mission to Nepal (UMN), reports that, according to the latest government figures today, 1,252 bodies have been recovered, 11,993 people rescued, and 4,216 people remain missing or unaccounted for. Homes, farmland, businesses, roads, bridges, schools, health facilities and water systems have been badly affected. UMN will be working with partners to respond to the disaster in Dhading and Nuwakot.

Since the onset of the flood in Nepal, PWS&D's partner, INF Nepal, has been actively assessing needs and delivering immediate relief support. Initial response activities have focused on displaced families in Nuwakot, particularly in Bidur Municipality.

While the areas where PWS&D's long-term development projects are implemented have not been impacted, PWS&D is able to respond through its networks and coalitions. Priorities include emergency shelter, food, clean water and sanitation, health and education.

Bibhu Singh (UMN) asks that people continue to pray for Nepal and expresses gratitude for the PCC's support. "Thank you for continuing to stand with Nepal. We are deeply grateful for your prayers, generosity and partnership as we seek to serve those most in need."

Through your gifts to Presbyterians Sharing, the PCC will be sending USD \$5,000 to support the relief efforts.

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Read more, including stories from people affected here:

<https://presbyterian.ca/2026/09/03/update-flooding-in-nepal/>

