

WELCOME TO IONA

We are pleased to gather together for worship today. Join us after the service for fellowship time.
If you wish more information on our congregation, please speak to the duty elder or the minister.

Pastoral information cards are located in the front of the hymn books.

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*We gather on the unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people. Peace and Friendship Treaties
with the Mi'kmaq bind us together as we strive for healing and reconciliation. We offer thanks
for their stewardship of this good earth!*

June 8, 2025, 10:00 am

Day of Pentecost

Greeting Elder: Heather Dupont

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP

(Please stand, if able, as the worship leader enters and then be seated.)

Prelude: (Time for prayer and silent reflection)

Greeting: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

The Ministry of God's People

APPROACH TO THE WORD

***Choral Introit 383:** "Come, holy spirit / Veni sancte spiritus"

***Call to Worship:**

God calls us into movement and change.

Come, Spirit of the living God.

God calls us into the renewing of our minds.

Come, Spirit of the living God.

God calls us into understanding beyond imagination.

Come, Spirit of the living God.

Let us welcome the Spirit of the living God into our midst.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit!

***Hymn 687:** "Blessed assurance"

Prayer of Adoration and Confession:

L: God of endless possibility,
you breathed your breath of life into us at the very beginning,
imbuing us with consciousness, curiosity, and compassion.
When our souls feel dry and stagnant,
you blow through us like the four winds,
bringing renewed vitality and newfound potential.

And, as on the day of Pentecost,
you reveal yourself again and again in and as the Holy Spirit,
challenging us, expanding our horizons, and beckoning us to greater
things.

All thanks and praise be to you, O God,
who guides us into the full potential of your limitless imagination,
transforming us that we may help to heal and transform this world;
through your risen Son, in the renewing power of the Holy Spirit,
now and forever.

**All: God of surprises,
you are constantly working among us in new and challenging
ways.**

**But we confess that, in this world of stagnation and strife,
we may not always discern the voice of your Spirit.
Help us to make sense of the strains and stresses around us,
that in them we may hear the cries of a world in labour with your
Kingdom,
and among them the echoes of your Gospel,
ever proclaiming new forms of truth, new ways to seek you,
and new life in unity with you and with one another.
Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

*** Children's hymn 400:** "Spirit of the living God"

*** Children's Time**

Children may go to Sunday School

Special Music: Ukulele Group — "For those tears I died"

HEARING THE WORD

First Reading: Genesis 11:1-9 (The Tower of Babel)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 104:24-35

Gloria Patri (sung# 594)

Gospel: & Epistle: John 14:8-27 (selected) and Romans 8:9-17 (selected)

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God**

Special Music: Ukulele Group — "Lord of the Dance", Sydney Carter

The Story Continues: Acts 2:1-21

*** Hymn 277:** "On this assembled host"

Sermon

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Offering followed by The Doxology (sung # 830)

***Affirmation of Faith:** *Apostles' Creed (#539 in The Book of Praise)*

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***Prayer of Dedication**

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors) (831)

***Hymn 775:** "Sent forth by God's blessing"

***Commissioning & Special Music:** "She comes sailing on the wind" (TBP #403)

***Benediction**

***Choral Amen**

Postlude

* Please stand if able

Large print hymnbooks are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

Thank you to **Tamsin Moynihan-Robson** for leading the service this morning.

Join us for coffee after the service hosted by **Session** this week and by

Congregational Life next week.

This Week at Iona (June 8th – June 14th):

- **June 9** - 2:30 pm – Session meeting

Next Week at Iona (June 15th – June 21st):

Announcements:

- Bible study is now on hiatus.