

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 21, 2026, 10:00 am

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Graduate / Communion / Indigenous/

Father's Day Sunday

Greeting Elder: Susan Osborne

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 565:** "Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life" (vv. 1, 3)

***Call to Worship:**

God has made us, knows us, and calls us;

Let us rejoice in the goodness that God has made.

God has come to us in Jesus, the Word of Creation;

Let us listen for the words of God, wherever they may be found.

God sends Their Holy Spirit to inspire and transform us;

Let us open our hearts to Her movement and Her challenge.

***Hymn 744:** "Will your anchor hold"

Prayer of Adoration and Confession:

God of sea, of sky, and of spirit:

you are the sunlight of this glorious midsummer's day;

you are the warmth of a perfect father's love;
and your heartbeat is felt in the earth by many nations.
Where there is adversity, you give us strength.
Where there is chaos, you show us a way through.
Where there is fear, you are the love that drives it out.
You inspire us to trust in you and in each other,
that through your inspiration, we too may play a part
in your healing, your transformation, your love, and your grace,
and so become more than we ever thought possible.
Blessing, honour, glory, and infinite possibility
be unto you, O God, Author of Life and Fount of Love,
known by many names and in many guises,
yet one Reality, now and forever.

**God of the endless victory that swallows even death:
in a world still marred by conflict, oppression, and violence,
you remind us that there is another, better Way.
But we confess that sometimes, we still wish for a God of force
who brings order to chaos and smites those we disdain.
Forgive us, O God, and help us instead to fight the battles within;
cleanse us of stagnant ideas, self-serving judgements, and unjust
ways.**

Words of Assurance

Teaching hymn: "Inspired by love and anger" (*please see insert*)

HEARING THE WORD

First Reading: 1 Samuel 17:32-49 (David faces Goliath)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 150 ("Praise God in his sanctuary")

Gloria Patri (sung# 594)

Gospel: Mark 4:35-41 (Jesus calms the storm)

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

Sermon

Invitation to the Offering

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Offering followed by The Doxology (sung # 830)

***Prayer of Dedication**

Invitation to the Table

Apostles' Creed (#539 in The Book of Praise)

***Hymn 549:** "For the bread which you have broken"

Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving (responses 564)

Lord's Prayer (sung hymn #831)

***Hymn 671:** "I heard the voice of Jesus say"

***Commissioning and Benediction**

***Choral Amen**

Postlude

*** Please stand if able**

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

Join us for Lemonade on the Lawn after the service hosted by **Hospitality & Community Life** this week, and by **Operations** next week.

Announcements:

- Victoria will be leaving us for a new opportunity. We wish her all the best. The position is part-time with some flexibility with hours. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please let Operations know as soon as possible. We will be posting this vacancy shortly.
- The coffee group meets every Wednesday at 9:30.