

St. Matthew 13:24-30

NLT

Parable of the Wheat and Weeds

²⁴ Here is another story Jesus told: “The Kingdom of Heaven is like a farmer who planted good seed in his field. ²⁵ But that night as the workers slept, his enemy came and planted weeds among the wheat, then slipped away. ²⁶ When the crop began to grow and produce grain, the weeds also grew.

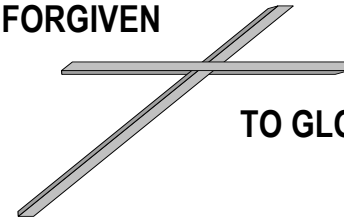
²⁷ “The farmer’s workers went to him and said, ‘Sir, the field where you planted that good seed is full of weeds! Where did they come from?’

²⁸ “‘An enemy has done this!’ the farmer exclaimed.

“‘Should we pull out the weeds?’ they asked.

²⁹ “‘No,’ he replied, ‘you’ll uproot the wheat if you do. ³⁰ Let both grow together until the harvest. Then I will tell the harvesters to sort out the weeds, tie them into bundles, and burn them, and to put the wheat in the barn.’”

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Music Director:

Rev. Dr. Mark S. Richardson

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Sunday 19th July 2026 10:30 am

**The Celebration of the Good News of Jesus Christ
In the Spirit, the Presence, & Power of the Risen Lord
To Discover New Dimensions of, New Possibilities for
Living our best Christ Life!**

Celebrating the Truth of the Presence of God – Alleluia!

Call to Worship:

Praise: “Here I am to worship” **SB #11**

Welcome, and announcements:

Celebrating the Truth of Forgiveness – We Receive New Life!

Prayer, and the Lord’s prayer:

Praise: “At the name of Jesus” **BP #234**

Celebrating the Truth of God’s Word! - We are Listening!

Scripture: St. Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 NLT

Message: “Shouldn’t we just get rid of the weeds?”

Celebrating the Truth of God’s gifts to us – We Are Accountable

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

Presentation of our Tithes and Offerings:

+ Offertory

Doxology: “**My tribute**” **SB #45**

Prayer of Dedication

Praise: “Lord Jesus, of You I will sing” **SB #76**

Celebrating the Truth of our Going Forth – We Leave for Ministry

Benediction:

Interpersonal Benediction: “Abba Father” **SB #43**

Worship & Sacraments Team: Prayer Requests

Bernice Baum – at home

Gladys Brown – Doon Village Retirement Home

Frank De Vries – at home

Ann Gray – Trinity Village

Doug Greenwood – Huronview LTC, Clinton

Frank Ingold – at home

Bob Kenzie – Sunnyside Home

Larry Mason – AgeCare West Williams LTC

Mary Master – A. R. Goudie LTC

Dolly McCormack – Court at Laurelwood Retirement Home

Marg & Terry McCorriston – at home

Curt Ryan – AgeCare West Williams LTC

Shirley Steinberg – Winston Park LTC

Dirk Vanderheide – at home

Offering Envelopes: If you are interested in having assigned envelopes for 2026 and are not on PAR, please reach out to Chris at clemensc78@yahoo.ca. For anyone that has changed addresses, please let Chris and Mark know so that we can check our records and update them as required.

Grocery Cards:

We are participating in the grocery gift card program in our Region. If you would like to purchase grocery gift cards for the PC group of stores, and/or the Metro group of stores, please speak with Barb Cook, Rob Gloin, or Emmie Richardson. They are available every week. For each card we sell we receive a small amount back from the Community Charity Services.

Pastor Mark will be on Holiday from Monday 27th July to Monday 17th August 2026. If you need to speak with a minister, please contact Rev. Jen Sokolowsky at: 647-235-6525
jensokolowsky@gmail.com **Sunday worship leadership is:**
Sunday 02nd August: Dr. Beth Anne Fisher
Sunday 09th August: Rev. Jen Sokolowsky
Sunday 16th August: Julie Murray and Team

From the Finance Team: options for financial giving to KEPC:

- 1) **Canada Post:** send your offering envelope in an envelope addressed to the Church: 10 Zeller Dr, Kitchener, ON, N2A 4A8
- 2) **E – transfer:** This involves using your online banking application using the e-transfer option & sending the transaction to the Church email: kepc@golden.net
- 3) **PAR: pre-authorized remittance.** This is set up once and an amount is withdrawn from your bank account monthly until you choose to stop it or change the amount. Contact Chris Clemens clemensc78@yahoo.ca and he can set you up.
- 4) **Tithe.ly** on our website, (click on the menu “Donate Now”) and donations can be through your Visa, Mastercard, or Debit.
- 5) The locked, **black box** on the wall of the sanctuary by the main doors for your offerings.

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