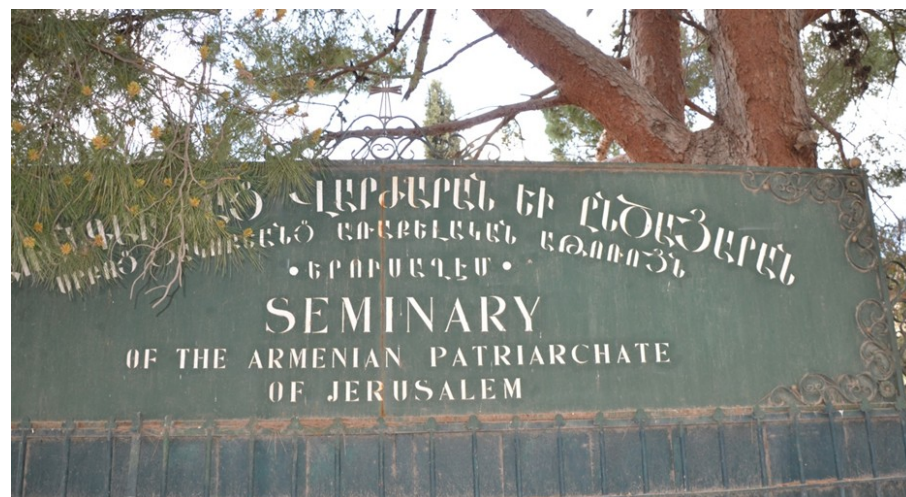


# Welcome TO Pine River United Church



July 2nd, 2017 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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*A warm welcome to Pine River United Church.  
May this time of worship offer you  
strength for the week ahead.*

\* INDICATES AN INVITATION TO RISE IN BODY OR IN SPIRIT.  
CONGREGATION MAY RESPOND WITH THE PARTS PRINTED IN  
BOLD.

*We acknowledge that we gather here on traditional  
Saugeen Ojibway territory.  
We give thanks for the stewardship of the land by the  
indigenous peoples of Canada through the ages.*

## GATHERING

### WELCOME AND GREETING

THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,  
THE LOVE OF GOD  
AND THE COMPANIONSHIP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
BE WITH YOU ALL

**And also with you.**

\* OPENING HYMN: "PRAISE THE LORD WITH THE SOUND  
OF TRUMPET" VU # 245

1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH SPECIAL SONG...

*Happy Birthday to you,  
God's love grows in you.  
May the Lord bless and keep you,  
In all that you do.*

### OPENING PRAYER:

Loving God, your desire for us calls us and  
equips us. Your love for us gifts us and  
encourages us. Far deeper than any regret  
of ours is the Pervasive love with which  
you hold us. Anoint us in the vocation of  
healing and hospitality and bless us with

**Thank you to everyone who  
assisted in the service today.**

*Please join us downstairs  
for refreshments and fellowship.*

### Upcoming Church Services

July 9th & 16th: Peggy Kinsman, Guest speaker

July 23rd: Trish MacGregor. Guest speaker

July 31st: Ria Middelkamp

**Sharing Table** is now downstairs...please deposit or take  
what you wish.

**Food Bank:** This week we are collecting paper products or  
anything else would be greatly appreciated.

**NEWS:** If you would like to be sent emails, please fill out the  
form at the back of the church.

**Hamilton Conference Prayer Cycle:**  
**As a church we are called to pray for each other  
and our mission in the world. This week keep in  
prayer our brothers and sisters at U  
Sydenham Street United Church, Brantford**

**School's Out  
For Summer!!!**



**Have a fun safe summer!!!**

**\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION (IN UNISON)**

**Bless the gifts we offer.  
Bless we who offer them.  
Bless those who will be touched, in turn.  
May this circle of blessings be pleasing  
in your sight, O God. Amen.**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS**

Rev. Janet MacDonald will be covering any pastoral emergencies that may arise while Rev. Vicki is on vacation from July 3-31. Her contact number is 519-389-5675.

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND CONCERN**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER (SUNG)**

**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 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, forever and ever. Amen.**

**\* HYMN: "YOU SHALL GO OUT WITH JOY" VU # 884**

**\* BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH**

**FINAL CHORUS:**

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands  
(clap, clap)  
the trees of the field will clap their hands  
(clap clap)  
trees of the field will clap their hands (clap clap)  
while you go out with joy.

**fervour that our life's journey would stand  
as witness to your boundless gift in us. In  
Jesus our brother's name, we pray. Amen.**

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**THE WORD**

**ANTHEM: PSALM 24: "LIFT UP THE GATES ETERNAL"**

**SCRIPTURE READING: MATTHEW 10: 40-42 (NRSV)**

**Rewards**

**<sup>40</sup> "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and  
whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who  
sent me.**

**<sup>41</sup> Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a  
prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and  
whoever welcomes a righteous person in the  
name of a righteous person will receive the  
reward of the righteous;**

**<sup>42</sup> and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to  
one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—  
truly I tell you, none of these will lose their  
reward."**

**GROWING WITH GOD: (AT THE SOUND OF THE "RAIN STICK",  
ANY YOUTH ARE INVITED TO COME FORWARD)**

**\* HYMN: "LIFT UP THE GATES ETERNAL" VU # 750  
(WITH INSTRUMENTS ON CHORUS)(VERSES 1, 4, 5)**

**MESSAGE: ISRAEL—A BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE**

**OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**\* HYMN: "OPEN YOUR EARS, O FAITHFUL PEOPLE"  
VU # 272 (NOTE THE REFRAIN IS REPEATED EACH TIME)**

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

**\* OFFERING HYMN: "GRANT US, GOD, THE GRACE"  
VU # 540**