

# Welcome TO Pine River United Church



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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: "GOD, WHOSE LOVE IS REIGNING  
O'ER US" VU # 399

### CALL TO WORSHIP:

GOD IS SUN LIGHT

**We are earth waiting to be warmed.**

GOD IS LOVE

**We are waiting to be loved into life.**

LET US WORSHIP THIS GOD OF GRACE WITH WARMTH  
AND LIFE!

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (IN UNISON)

**Lover of life, we realize that we have not been  
the lovers of all that you have created. We  
realize that we have come to expect the  
bounty given. In doing this we fail to  
recognize the giver with all the gifts. Today,**

# Announcements

## Upcoming Church Services

**Next Sunday, Sept. 24th: "Blessing of the Backpacks"  
Oct. 1st: World Communion Sunday**

**Sept. 20th:** Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. Women's Institute  
**Sept. 21st:** Thursday morning, Morning Break, 9:30 a.m.  
**Sept. 22nd: Men's Coffee Group,** 9:30 a.m.  
**Sept. 28th:** Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Circle of Grace Drumming  
at Pine River Church.

### Oct, 7th: Kountry Kitchen Update

This year we have the famous bake table, cookies section,  
candy table, preserves, gum drop cake, Christmas cakes  
light and dark, Christmas puddings, pumpkin centre pieces  
for your table, and a tea room upstairs and hopefully a  
bouncy castle for the little ones. Sale is from 11:00 a.m.—  
1:00 p.m. Workers please bring your own lunch or  
purchase in the tea room.

All donations of baked goods are more than welcome.

**Oct. 17th, Tuesday: 4:00 p.m. Worship Meeting  
6:30 p.m. Official Board Meeting**

**Food Bank:** This week we are collecting back to school items  
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  
Bethany United Church, Dunnville.***

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: "LEAD ON, O CLOUD OF PRESENCE"  
VU # 421

\* SENDING FORTH

WITH THE JOINING OF MINDS, HEARTS AND LIVES  
WE GO INTO THE WORLD. TO THE BLESSINGS OF  
THE WAY, TRUTH AND LIFE. AND TO SHARE LOVE  
ALWAYS. AMEN

SINGING A BLESSING TO ONE ANOTHER:

"GO NOW IN PEACE" (PLEASE BE SEATED)

Go now in peace. Never be afraid  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.  
Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love

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

*Please join us downstairs  
for refreshments and fellowship.*

Coffee Order going in today...if you wish to  
order some please sign the sheet  
down on the bulletin board.

may the wisdom of your presence reconnect  
us all with you, Lord, and all of creation.  
Amen.

THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING: PSALM # 19

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

\* HYMN: "SEEK YE FIRST THE KINGDOM" VU # 356

SERMON: "WHO IS THIS GOD?"

OUR RESPONSE TO THE WORD

\* HYMN: *MORE VOICES* "YOU, CREATOR GOD, HAVE  
SEARCHED ME?" MV # 131

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

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

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION (IN UNISON)

God of us all, our world is your wheat field,  
and we have been sown in it. May our lives  
and our offerings be fruitful so that the  
harvest may be bountiful and good.

In Jesus' name we ask it. Amen.

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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;