

Nov. 19 2023 25th After Pentecost,
Rev. Sheena Riley-Marini

Welcome, Announcements

Land Acknowledgement

The Bible is opened and Christ candle lit

Memorial Candle Lighting - This month we remember:

Today we remember those who died during the month
November in each of the past five years.

Woodhouse

Elsie "Eileen" Pepper November 28, 2022

Grace

James Edwin Cruise November 27, 2021

Lyla Diana Harris November 29, 2020

Douglas Ivan Reid November 27, 2020

One: Although death has separated us physically,

All: faith and love have bound us eternally.

One: Though we cannot see you,

All: we know you are here.

One: Though we cannot touch you,

All: we feel the warmth of your smile

One: as we continue our own journeys.

**All: As you were, you will always be,
treasured forever in our memory.**

Call To Worship

One: God has richly blessed us... so let us use of gifts to build
God's kingdom.

All: But we worry that our gifts are not enough.

One: God has richly blessed us... let us find our courage and
not look back.

All: But our gifts are so small.

One: God has richly blessed us we possess everything we
need.

All: But what if we fail?

One: God has richly blessed us... let us trust in the gifts that
God has given us!

All: Together let us share our gifts!

HYMN VU # 316 Praise our Maker

Opening Prayer (In Unison)

God of fall and winter, God of spring and summer, you know
the seasons of our lives. Let the season of darkness and
doubt pass away, that we may be reborn in your light. Lead
us into a season of light and warmth: A season of joy; A
season of solemn judgement; A season where all your
children are clothed in the breastplate of faith and hope, and
the helmet of hope and salvation. Lead us into a season of
Kingdom building, and we will put aside the ways of
darkness to live as children of the light. **Amen**

HYMN VU #343 I love to tell the story

Prayer of Illumination (In Unison)

Lord send to us Your Holy Spirit and give to us a fresh
understanding of the Scriptures this day. Challenge us and
change our lives as we encounter Your wisdom and truth,
through Christ, Your Living word

Scripture Readings: Psalm 90:1-12 VU #805

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Matthew 25:14-30

Reflection

HYMN VU #356 Seek ye first the kingdom of God

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory invite Jesus tells us to give to the poor, let us now
share our abundance with his world...

Doxology We give Thee but Thine own, What e'er the gift
may be, All that we have is Thine alone, we give it gratefully.

Prayer over gifts (In Unison)

Welcome these gifts, as you have welcomed us O
God. Grant that those who receive the ministries supported
by these gifts, may know your compassion and infinite love.
Amen

Minute for Outreach

Pastoral Prayers (In Unison)

Lord we lift up to you this day people living with illness and
suffering, for those struggling with disability or waiting for
treatment, and for those who know grief or fear or
loneliness. We also lift up to you those who are facing
discrimination and social prejudice, for those who are
bullied at school, at work or at home, and for those who are
made ashamed of who they are. May we along with you
bring encouragement, hope and peace to those just listed
and help us to forgive as you do. We continue praying as
Jesus taught us...

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 those who 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: VU # 424 May the God of hope

Benediction and Commission:

One; May God the Father

All: prepare our journeys,

One: Jesus the Son

All: guide our footsteps,

One: The Spirit of Life

All: strengthen our bodies,

One: And may the Three in One watch over you, on every
road that you may follow.

The Bible is Closed

Choral Blessing:

Go now in peace, never be afraid. God will go with you each
hour of everyday. 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. Amen, Amen, Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to our church! Please fill out the 'Let's Celebrate Together' form at the back of the sanctuary and place it in the manila envelope provided. 'Let's Celebrate Together'. If you are visiting today, do not feel an obligation to contribute to the offering. Please consider this service our gift to you.

Land Acknowledgement We acknowledge our Creator and the world around us and our place within it. We acknowledge the many nations who call this land home. We acknowledge the Indigenous and non-Indigenous brothers and sisters who walked this land in the past and those who walk it today, this, the traditional and treaty lands of the Anishinaabeg (Ahnish-in-nah-beg), Neutral, and Haudenosaunee (Ho-deh-no-show-nee) peoples.

November 19, Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

"Good stewardship is not conserving and holding, protecting and preserving. Good stewardship is growing, developing, advancing, and building the gifts with which God has blessed us." —Kennon L. Callahan

UPCOMING - SCRIPTURE READERS

Nov 26: Jean Godfrey, Lori Stetson

Woodhouse Board Meeting – Monday November 27, 10 am

Woodhouse Annual Cookie Walk – Dec 3

Please bring cookies to the Sunday School room before church. (3 dozen Christmas Treats). Thank you!

Sunday Dec. 3, Port Dover Advent Walk –details to come

Woodhouse United Church Choir – Annual Candlelight Service -- Sunday December 17, 7pm

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Let's Celebrate—November 19-25

☞ Pastoral Charge Birthdays ☜

Linda Brzozowski	November 20
Mike Marini	November 20
Connie Robinson	November 20
Ken Demone	November 21
John Turnecliff	November 22
Pat Tiller	November 22
Bessie Smith	November 24
Christy Brown	November 25

Week at a Glance MONDAY Nov 20 to SUNDAY Nov 26

Day	Time	Event	Where
Mon.	8:30 am	T.O.P.S. Meeting	Grace Room
Tues.	1:30 pm	Hand & Foot	Grace Room
Wed.	3:00 pm	Grace Choir	Sanctuary
Thurs.	9:00 am 9:30 am	Office Volunteers Woodhouse Choir	Office Woodhouse
Sun.	9:30 am 11:00 am	COMMUNION SUNDAY & BRINING IN THE GREENS Woodhouse Service Grace Service	Woodhouse Sanctuary

Christmas at Woodhouse 2023 Featuring Tia McGraff & Tommy Parham, Saturday December 9, 2pm, Tickets are \$25 and available by calling Lisa Jo 519-428-2827. Marg Walker also has tickets.

The Carillon Belles Chorus present a "Holiday Concert" on Sunday, December 10, 2023, at 2:00pm, Contact Georgia McCormick by calling 519-420-9578

Sock it to me- Wow! Thanks to everyone who participated we have 429 pair of socks, 53 Hats, 62 pairs of gloves, 23 pairs of underwear, 16 coats, 28 sweaters, 3 blankets and 10 scarfs for the CMHC homeless. Many people will be warmer this winter!

Lakewood Christmas program - Our Outreach committee is again working with Lakewood school to help families this Christmas. If you can make out a special donation - mark Lakewood Christmas on your envelope so we can help families to be able to purchase much needed items. We will need donations in by **Dec 3** to make sure the families get the help before Christmas.

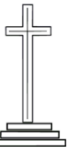
Welcome to the Port Dover – Woodhouse

Pastoral Charge

Woodhouse United Church and

Grace United Church

Sunday November 19, 2023



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Please contact Rev. Sheena Riley-Marini for pastoral care.

