

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

Pentecost 11

Order of Service

Sunday August 9, 2026

10:30 a.m.

Prayers and songs in unison and people's responses are in **bold type**.

*Indicates to stand, if you are able.

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

WELCOME

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TERRITORY

We acknowledge that the land on which we are gathered is the traditional and unceded territory of the Abegweit Mi'kmaq First Nation. May we seek reconciliation and may all live in peace and harmony on this land.

THE CHRIST CANDLE:

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness." (John 8:12)
May we be guided by the light of Christ.

THE RAINBOW CANDLE:

In lighting this candle we renew our commitment to affirming, by word and deed, the dignity and significance of all people.

THE LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

GATHERING SONG MV 21 "Open Our Hearts"

**Open our hearts, open our minds.
Open our lives to you, O loving God. (3X)
Open our hearts. (last time)**

CALL TO WORSHIP:

From a world where tweeted threats
of fire and fury trouble the mind
and chill the soul,

we come seeking quiet and peace.

From a world where the best
lack all conviction and the worst
are full of passionate intensity,

we come seeking truth and goodness.

From a world that often seems God-forsaken,
we come seeking God.

***OPENING HYMN VU 223** "Eternal, Unchanging..."

OPENING PRAYER:

God, the world is too much with us.

**We are caught up in the fears
and the fascinations of the moment.**

**The noise of our culture deafens us;
the fog of competing claims
and glib promises blinds us;
the endless bad news hardens us.**

Come to us now.

**Let your Spirit whisper to us
of things eternal.**

**Help us learn to walk by faith
in your unchanging love so that we may be
undismayed and undiscouraged
in this time of tumult and trouble.**

**Give us courage to follow always
in way of Jesus Christ our Saviour,
in whose holy name we pray. Amen.**

SOLO: Jane Atkinson – Be Thou My Vision

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

We turn our backs when we could embrace.

We remain silent when we could speak.

We speak when we could listen.

We close the door when we could
fling it wide open in welcome.

We judge when we could seek understanding.

We cling when we could give.

Forgive us, O God, sinners that we are,
and help us continue to grow into
your image and likeness,
which you have shown us in Jesus Christ.
Amen.

SILENCE

KYRIE ELEISON: Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE:

As the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is God's steadfast love....
as far as the east is from the west,
so far God removes our sin from us,
as a Father has compassion for his children,
so God has compassion for us. (Psalm 103:11-13)

Thanks be to God.

WE RECEIVE GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT: Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b VU pgs. 828 & 829

EPISTLE: Romans 10:5-15

the office (902-892-4114) to be set up so you can take

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GOSPEL: St. Matthew 14:22-33

This is the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Glory be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

MESSAGE: Luke Doiron

***HYMN VU 691** "Though Ancient Walls"

OFFERTORY CALL

OFFERTORY HYMN VU 542

**We give you but your own,
what-e'er the gift may be;
all that we have is yours alone,
we give it gratefully.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

**O God, keep the eyes of our hearts
firmly fixed on the abundance of your love,
and we will be able to give, not from scarcity,
but from the extravagant wealth of your blessing.
Hear our prayer. Amen.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

***HYMN MV 154** "Deep in Our Hearts"

SENDING FORTH AND BENEDICTION

***DISMISSAL HYMN VU 420**

"Go to the World" v.2&3

**2 Go to the world! Go into every place.
Go live the Word of God's redeeming grace.
Go seek God's presence in each time and space.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

**3 Go to the world! Go struggle, bless and pray;
the nights of tears give way to joyous day.
As servant Church you follow Christ's own way.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

POSTLUDE

Minister: Rev. Dr. John Moses

Candidates for Ministry: Ellen Locke and Corina Anderson

Music Director: Donald Fraser

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Announcements

Trinity-Clifton Vision Statement: *We are a joyful, welcoming, inclusive Christ-centered community of faith, reaching out to others, providing a safe space where we respect differences. We learn from the past and dare to change.*

Bottles needed for jams, jellies, and pickles. Please drop them off at the church office.

The Honourable Rev. David MacDonald will be celebrating his 90th birthday on August 20th.

Our Fall Roast Beef Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, October 25, 4:30-5:30PM. Menu includes roast beef, potatoes, turnips, carrots, peas, gravy, a roll and delicious cake.

Tickets are \$25. (902)892-4114

The Charlottetown Health Drive was very successful last year and is back for a second year. For the month of August they will be, again, collecting necessary supplies, as well as goodies and treats, to deliver to QEH patients in need. Some examples of items needed are oral hygiene products: toothpaste/brushes/floss; personal hygiene: soap, body wash, shampoo/cond., tampons/pads, shaving items, nail clippers/files, deodorant, diapers/baby items. Other items: first aid supplies, tissues (Kleenex), lip balm/moisturisers/sanitisers, premoistened wipes, hairbrushes/combs/elastics. Special items for the impending seasons: Socks/gloves/mitts/hats/blankets; non-perishable pantry items, unused clothing/toys/school supplies. Only unused/unopened items will be accepted. For further updates follow them along on their Facebook TheCharlottetownHealthDrive.

If you are a frequent visitor to Trinity-Clifton and are not set up on PAR or do not have envelopes, we suggest you contact advantage of any tax benefit by receiving a Charitable Tax Receipt for your donations.

If you are celebrating a significant birthday or anniversary soon, please contact the office.

Hospital Visits

If you have a family member from Trinity-Clifton in hospital, please notify the church office. Rev. John Moses visits the hospital weekly and would appreciate knowing this information.

Have you recently moved or changed your phone number from a land line to a cell phone? Please advise the church office so we can update our records.

Other Ways of Giving

Trinity Clifton has collaborated with Canada Helps with a new way to donate online. Scanning this QR code with your phone's camera will take you to our giving page. There is a button labelled CanadaHelps.org, and then it takes you to a donation page for Trinity. Enter your info and the donation is made.

Tax receipts can be provided. It a new way for those not using envelopes or PAR. Feel free to share this with visitors and friends. Thank you from all of us.



If you prefer e -Transfer, please send your donation to trinitycliftonunitedchurch@gmail.com. Be sure to include your name and, if you are not a member of the congregation, your mailing address so we can send you a tax receipt.

Gift cards for many retailers are available for purchase every Sunday after church beside the elevator.

Greeters for the month of August: Carol Chandler, Anne Love, Mark Richardson, Jean Peterson

Scripture Readings for Sunday August 16, 2026:

Genesis 45: 1-15

Psalm 133 (VU p. 856)

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Matthew 15: 10-20, 25-28

