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Sunday September 27 Creation Time 2

We gather with Praise

Prelude **Air and March from Water Music.** G.F. Handel

Greeting

Indigenous Land Acknowledgement: *We respectfully acknowledge that Lakefield United Church is located on the Treaty 20 Michi Saagiig territory and in the traditional territory of the Michi Saagiig and Chippewa Nations, collectively known as Williams Treaty First Nations, which include: Curve Lake, Hiawatha, Alderville, Scugog Island, Rama, Beausoleil, and Georgina Island First Nations.*

Lakefield United Church respectfully acknowledges that the Parties of Williams Treaties are the stewards and caretakers of these lands and waters, and that we all must take responsibility and work together to ensure their health and integrity for generations to come.

Opening Hymn Draw the Circle Wide MV 145

Lighting of the Christ Candle Jim Nelson

Call to Worship
Beloved in Christ, we gather in the presence of the One whose love widens every circle and holds every story with care.
We come with open hearts, ready to listen and ready to remember.
On this Orange Shirt Sunday, we honour the children, the survivors, the families, and the communities whose stories guide us toward truth.
We come trusting that God meets us in our remembering and in our hope.
The Spirit draws us together, shaping us with compassion, humility, and courage.
We enter this time of worship with gratitude, for God's love is among us and God's grace leads us on.

Opening Prayer
Holy One, you gather us in the shelter of your compassion, and you hold the stories that rest tenderly in our hearts. On this day of remembering, open our spirits to your healing presence. Let your grace move through us with the humility we see in Christ and the courage we hear in the psalmist's voice. Bless our listening, bless our learning, bless our longing for a world where every child is cherished and every story is honoured.

Draw us into your wide circle of love, and let your Spirit guide our worship with gentleness, truth, and hope. Amen.

Children's Time

Scripture Psalm 78:1-4
Philippians 2:1-11 Jim Nelson

Anthem Guest soloist: Paula Walker introduce by Adrienne Abrahamse **Title of Solo: "I Call To You"**

Sermon Orange Shirt Sunday

Hymn Make Me a Channel of Your Peace
VU 684

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Music Thou Hidden Source of Calm Repose" by D.S.Bortniansky

Presentation of the Offering and Doxology
VU 541
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures high and low;
Give thanks to God in love made known:
Creator, Word and Spirit, One.

Offering Prayer

Announcements

Hymn **Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah**
VU 651

Benediction

Choral Benediction
Awesome God
Our God is an awesome God
who reigns from heaven above
with wisdom, pow'r, and love.
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Postlude **With Wings Like Eagles** By Lani Smith