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Sunday October 18 World Food Sunday

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.

We gather with Praise

Prelude

Greeting

Opening Hymn: **VU 220 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

Lighting of the Christ Candle: **Holly Gibson**

Call to Worship
Worship is a time to draw near to the Holy One and remember we are not alone.
Let us praise God, whom we encounter through the living Christ, who is with us in life's trials and celebrations.
In this time of worship, may we experience the presence of the Holy One and receive the grace to live each day to the fullest.
We lift our hearts and minds in Thanksgiving and praise, and open ourselves to the wonder of God's love and care.

Opening Prayer
Eternal and loving God, we lift our voices in praise to You. For You are the ground of all being; before we were born, before time began, You existed. When time is finished, when the universe is no more, You will still be.
In Your presence, we can only be silent before the Mystery of Life. We give thanks for the gift of life, which we receive from Your creation.
For all the blessings of life, O God, we are grateful. Speak to us so we may hear Your word and find the motivation to follow in the footsteps of Christ. In his name we pray. Amen

Scripture: **Luke 18: 1-8** **Holly Gibson**

Thought for the Week

Children's Time

Sermon: **A Quiet Resource for Life**

Hymn: **VU 288 Great is Thy Faithfulness**

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Music

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: **VU 506 Take My Life and Let it be**

Benediction

Choral Benediction
Awesome God
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who reigns from heaven above
with wisdom, pow'r, and love.
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Postlude