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## Sunday October 4 World Communion 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 Air on the G String by J.S. Bach**

**Greeting**

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**Opening Hymn** **VU 232**
**Joyful, Joyful we Adore Thee**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle** **Sue Hardill**

## Call to Worship

This morning, we gather as God's people to draw nearer to Christ and one another.

**We come together as one family, surrounded by grace, strengthened by His Spirit and united in love.**

The Lord's table is central to our Christian life and sharing in it, reminds us of the significance of this meal.

**At the Lord's table, we embrace the Risen Christ and seek ways to follow in His footsteps.**

At this table, Christ makes us one. He heals what is divided, restores what is broken, and forms us into His likeness.

**Make us one, Lord Jesus. Feed us with Your presence and enable us to be transformed as we seek to be Your disciples at this time and place.**

## Opening Prayer and Confession

Gentle, Holy One, this morning we open our hearts and minds to You, hoping to connect with the strength of Your Spirit and be nourished at the table Christ has provided for us. This is a special week as Christians throughout the world will be breaking bread and sharing the wine as a symbol of our unity in Christ. In the past week, we've encountered many moments when we have failed to respond faithfully. When we fall short of the way of Christ, we are burdened by the

memory of what we have done and what we have failed to do. We acknowledge that at times, we are thoughtless of the needs of others and we turn a blind eye to the individuals within our communities who are in need. We have been impatient with the faults of others, who have been discouraged and easily cast down. At this moment, we turn to You - remind us of Your grace and the forgiveness available to each of us through Jesus Christ our Lord. Cleanse our thoughts, forgive our shortcomings and grant us the blessing of your presence and peace. We ask this in the name of Christ. Amen

**Scripture Colossians 3: 12-17**
**1 Corinthians 11: 23-26 Sue Hardill**

**Thought for the Week**

**Children's Time**

**Solo: My Cup Overflows by John F. Wilson sung by Pamela Feilders**

**Sermon One Table, One People, One Hope**

**Hymn VU 589 Lord, Speak to Me**

**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**

**Communion Hymn** **VU 480.**
**Let Us Break Bread Together**
**(Verses 1&2)**

**Invitation to Communion**

**Preface to Communion**

**Distribution of Bread and Wine**

**Post Communion Prayer**

**Communion Hymn** **VU 480.**
**Let Us Break Bread Together**
**(Verse 3)**

**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