



FIRST UNITED CHURCH
Swift Current, SK
Sunday, September 13, 2026



Welcome Back Sunday

Leading Worship: Rev. Kelly Osgood
Music Director: James McLauchlan
Pianist: Connie Sykes
Reader: Marilyn Durant

GATHERING

Greeting and Welcome

Announcements

Land Acknowledgement

Lighting the Christ Candle

Centering Hymn: MV #4 *All Who Are Thirsty*
(please remain seated)

Call to Worship

ONE: God said, "I will be your God."

ALL: God has promised. God remembers. God is faithful.

ONE: God said, "I will lead you in the path of new life."

ALL: God has promised. God remembers. God is faithful.

ONE: God said, "I will forgive you."

ALL: God has promised. God remembers. God is faithful.

ONE: God said, "My kingdom is near."

ALL: God has promised. God remembers. God is faithful.

Opening Hymn: VU #222 *Come Let Us Sing*
(please stand as you are able)

Opening Prayer

The Lord's Prayer: VU #959

Blessing

Hymn: VU #958 *Halle, Halle, Halle* (sung 3x)

WORD

Scripture Reading: Genesis 6:5-22; 8:6-12; 9:8-17
(NLT Bible)

ONE: May these ancient words still speak to us today.

ALL: May they live in us and through us.

Reflection: *A New Creation*

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Choral Offering: *Family of Faith*

RESPONSE

Minute for Mission: *Food 4 Fun*

Offering Invitation

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

Closing Hymn: *Turning of the World*

(please stand as you are able)

Commissioning & Benediction

Choral Closing: MV #211 *Go Now in Peace, Guided by the Light*

Postlude

Worship Schedule

Sept 20	<i>Creation Time 2</i>	- Rev. Kelly Osgood
Sept 27	<i>Orange Shirt Day</i>	- Rev. Kelly Osgood
Sept 27	<i>Covenanting Service 3:00 p.m.</i> followed by potluck supper	- Rev. Tom Melvin
Oct 4	<i>Creation Time 4</i>	- Rev. Kelly Osgood

Prayer Cycles

Ministerial

First United Church

Living Skies Regional Council

Alameda

Asquith-Perdue (Perdue)

Avonlea, Blue Hill

Pray for Peace. Act for Justice.



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As we mark the [World Week for Peace in Palestine and Israel on September 20](#), invite your community of faith to turn prayer into action.

Write to your Member of Parliament urging Canada to support a lasting ceasefire, unhindered humanitarian aid, and a comprehensive two-way Canada–Israel arms embargo. Together, we can advocate for a just peace grounded in safety, dignity, and human rights for Palestinians and Israelis.

[Find advocacy tools and a sample letter](#), and [explore prayers and worship resources](#)
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The Fall 2026 Seeds of Hope Granting Cycle Is Now Open!



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The Fall 2026 [Seeds of Hope](#) granting cycle is now open!

The Foundation is a pillar of support for various initiatives within the United Church community and its partners. Seeds of Hope is their main granting program, funding several dozen projects in each of the spring and fall grant cycles.

Grants are open to applications from congregations, camps, theological schools, outdoor education centres, Regional Councils, and even non-United Church of Canada organizations.

Completed applications must be received by **11:55 PM Eastern Time on October 15th, 2026**, to be considered by the Joint Grants Committee. Please contact Helen Toguri at grants@united-church.ca for more information or to talk about your project. [Learn more and apply for a Seeds of Hope Grant](#)