

WATERFORD UNITED CHURCH
September 15, 2024
Cori Angus

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN: All Things Bright and Beautiful VU #291

LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: Our good works are done with gentleness.

ALL: **Bitterness only leads to anguish.**

ONE: God seeks peace and hope for all God's people.

ALL: **But if our hearts are filled with anger, we reject God's mercy.**

ONE: Open our hearts, O Lord, and help us to listen.

ALL: **Open our lives, O Lord, and prepare us to serve. AMEN.**

OPENING PRAYER

HYMN: Praise Our Maker VU #316

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS Janet Snow

INVITATION TO GIVING

OFFERING

Offertory Prayer *(together)*

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach us to give to you all that we have and all that we are, that we may praise you not with our words only, but with our whole lives.

Sung Dedication: For Food in a World VU #551

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS *(together)* VU #302

All merciful tender God, you have given birth to our world, conceiving and bearing all that lives and breathes. We come to you as your daughters and sons, aware of our aggression and our drive to manipulate others. We ask you to forgive us, and by the gentle touch of your Spirit help us to find a renewed sense of compassion, that we may truly live as your people. Amen.

HYMN FOR FORGIVENESS: Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive VU #364

PSALM 113: Praise to the Lord *(sung by choir)* VU #835

MUSIC MINISTRY: Video (Everything is Beautiful)

REFLECTION

PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN: We Have This Ministry VU # 510

BENEDICTION: You Shall Go Out With Joy VU #884

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace,
The mountains and the hills will break forth before you,
There'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field
Will clap, will clap their hands!
And all the trees of the field will clap their hands,
The trees of the field will clap their hands,
The trees of the field will clap their hands
While you go out with joy.





ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU TO
CORI ANGUS for leading today's Worship

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday, September 22
Sunday, September 29

Outreach
Rev. Randy MacKenzie

MINISTRY AND PERSONNEL will meet on Monday, September 16 at 1:00 p.m. in the gym.

SOUP LUNCH TODAY – plan to stay after the service for lunch and support the work of the Outreach Committee.

NEXT SOUP SUPPER – will be held one week late on Wednesday, October 16 at 5:00 p.m. Last week's supper served about 30 people!

FREE CONCERT – Windwerx Woodwind Quintet on Friday, September 27 at 7:30 p.m. Light refreshments follow. **Come and bring a friend!!**

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Worship Leader: Cori Angus
Music: Chris Savory



Today we are gathered in the traditional territories of several indigenous nations with gratitude. As settlers, we take on the responsibility of learning about historic and current relationships, and our desire to engage in building right relations. We are also mindful of broken covenant, and the need to commit ourselves to deep reconciliation and healing.

The Waterford United Church is a place where everyone is welcome regardless of their ability, age, class, ethnicity, gender, race, or sexual orientation.

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