

CANADA DAY



SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2025
11:00 AM



TIMOTHY EATON
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ORDER OF SERVICE

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THE APPROACH

ORGAN PRELUDE

"Idyll"

*R.J. King
Stephen Boda*

WELCOME

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *PLEASE STAND SING TOGETHER*

"From Ocean Unto Ocean"

No. 421 Lancashire

From ocean unto ocean,
Our land shall own Thee Lord,
And, filled with true devotion,
Obey Thy sovereign Word:
Our prairies and our mountains,
The woods and fertile field,
Our rivers, lakes and fountains,
To Thee shall tribute yield.

Where error smites with blindness,
Enslaves and leads astray,
Do Thou in loving kindness
Proclaim Thy Gospel day,
Till all the tribes and races
That dwell in this fair land,
Adorned with Christian graces,
Within Thy courts shall stand.

O Christ, for Thine own glory,
And for our country's weal,
We humbly plead before Thee,
Thyself in us reveal;
And may we know, Lord Jesus,
The touch of Thy dear hand;
And, healed of our diseases,
The tempter's power withstand.

Our Savior King, defend us,
And guide where we should go;
Forth with Thy message send us,
Thy love and light to show,
Till, fired with true devotion,
Enkindled by Thy word,
From ocean unto ocean
Our land shall own Thee Lord.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

No. 524 "O Canada"

O Canada

O Canada! Our home and native land!
True patriot love in all of us command.
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
the True North strong and free!
From far and wide, O Canada,
we stand on guard for thee.
God keep our land glorious and free!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

CALL TO WORSHIP *PLEASE REMAIN STANDING*

Minister: On this Canada Day, we gather to give thanks for our nation and to ask the blessing of the Lord, who is the source of justice and righteousness.

All: Amen! We bring God our prayers and our praise.

Minister: God gives judgement to the King, and righteousness to the royal son, that our nation might be judged with righteousness, and our poor with justice.

All: Lord, grant that our leaders may govern with wisdom and integrity.

Minister: God defends the cause of the poor, gives deliverance to the needy, and crushes the oppressor!

All: Lord, make us a nation where the vulnerable are uplifted and peace endures.

Minister: May the Lord have dominion from sea to sea, and from the river to the ends of the earth!

All: And blessed be his glorious name for ever! Amen and Amen!

PRAYER OF APPROACH *PLEASE BE SEATED*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *SAY TOGETHER*

Holy One, we confess that we have sometimes mistaken your dominion for ours. In our thirst for power, we have broken treaties, erased languages, and traumatized generations of indigenous people. Forgive us, Lord, and help us to continue the work of truth and reconciliation. Give us the lips of boldness to proclaim your Kingdom, and ears of gentleness to hear where we have gone wrong. Redeem our souls from deceit and violence and set us on a path of justice and peace. For the earth is Yours, and the fulness thereof. Amen.

KYRIE *SING TOGETHER*

Lord have mercy upon us;

Christ have mercy upon us;

Lord have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

DOXOLOGY *PLEASE STAND SING TOGETHER*

No. 256 v. 1

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder at every gift you send,
at blessing without number and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word,
we honour and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

THE WORD OF GOD

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

“Okâwîmâw askîy” (Mother Earth)

Sherryl Sewepagaham
Sanctuary Choir

okâwîmâw askîy
niyanân kitawâsimsak
kisâkihitanan

Mother Earth
We are your children
We love you

SCRIPTURE READING

Judges 3:12-30

Janice Burgess

¹² The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, and the Lord strengthened King Eglon of Moab against Israel, because they had done what was evil in the sight of the Lord. ¹³ In alliance with the Ammonites and the Amalekites, he went and defeated Israel, and they took possession of the city of palms. ¹⁴ So the Israelites served King Eglon of Moab eighteen years. ¹⁵ But when the Israelites cried out to the Lord, the Lord raised up for them a deliverer, Ehud son of Gera, a Benjaminite, a left-handed man. The Israelites sent tribute by him to King Eglon of Moab. ¹⁶ Ehud made for himself a sword with two edges, a cubit in length, and he fastened it on his right thigh under his clothes. ¹⁷ Then he presented the tribute to King Eglon of Moab. Now Eglon was a very fat man. ¹⁸ When Ehud had finished presenting the tribute, he sent the people who carried the tribute on their way. ¹⁹ But he himself turned back at the sculptured stones near Gilgal and said, “I have a secret message for you, O king.” So the king said, “Silence!” and all his attendants went out from his presence. ²⁰ Ehud came to him, while he was sitting alone in his cool roof chamber, and said, “I have a message from God for you.” So he rose from his seat. ²¹ Then Ehud reached with his left hand, took the sword from his right thigh, and thrust it into Eglon’s belly; ²² the hilt also went in after the blade, and the fat closed over the blade, for he did not draw the sword out of his belly, and the dirt came out. ²³ Then Ehud went out into the vestibule and closed the doors of the roof chamber on him and locked them. ²⁴ After he had gone, the servants came. When they saw that the doors of the roof chamber were locked, they thought, “He must be relieving himself in the cool chamber.” ²⁵ So they waited until they were embarrassed. When he still did not open the doors of the roof chamber, they took the key and opened them. There was their lord lying dead on the floor. ²⁶ Ehud escaped while they delayed and passed beyond the sculptured stones and escaped to Seirah. ²⁷ When he arrived, he sounded the trumpet in the hill country of Ephraim, and the Israelites went down with him from the hill country, having him at their head. ²⁸ He said to them, “Follow after me, for the Lord has given your enemies the Moabites into your hand.” So they went down after him and seized the fords of the Jordan against the Moabites and allowed no one to cross over. ²⁹ At that time they killed about ten thousand of the Moabites, all strong, able-bodied men; no one escaped. ³⁰ So Moab was subdued that day under the hand of Israel. And the land had rest eighty years.

HYMN OF PREPARATION *PLEASE STAND SING TOGETHER*

No. 523 "O God of All the Many Lands"

Forest Green arr. Arndt

SERMON

"The Sinister God"
Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER *SAY TOGETHER*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *CHOIR ONLY*

"True Colors"

Steinburg, Kelly arr. Arndt
Chamber Choir

You with the sad eyes don't be discouraged. Oh, I realize it's hard to take courage; in a world full of people you can lose sight of it all and the darkness inside you can make you feel so small. But I see your true colors shining through; I see your true colors and that's why I love you. So don't be afraid to let them show; your true colors, true colors are beautiful like a rainbow. Show me a smile then; don't be unhappy, can't remember when I last saw you laughing. If this world makes you crazy and you've taken all you can bear you call me up because you know I'll be there. Can't remember when I last saw you laugh. If this world makes you crazy; you've taken all you can bear, you call me up because you know I'll be there.

CLOSING HYMN *SING TOGETHER*

No. 420 "Go to the World"

Sine Nomine

BENEDICTION

CHORAL AMEN

Amen in C Major

Carillo

ORGAN POSTLUDE

"Chorale Prelude on 'Vulpis'"

Healey Willan
Stephen Boda

LEARN MORE ABOUT:

okâwîmâw askîy (Mother Earth)

Composer: Sherryl Sewepagaham

okâwîmâw askîy (Mother Earth) began as a vocable song and Cree words were added to bring more meaning. The intention of the song is love, hope, and standing in unity to take better care of our mother earth, Okâwîmâw Askîy. A first-person plural perspective is intentional for us to speak directly to her as we sing to her as her children: Mother Earth, we are your children. We love you.

ABOUT THE COMPOSER:

Sherryl Sewepagaham is a Cree-Dene artist from Little Red River Cree Nation in Northern Alberta. A composer, educator, and ethnomusicologist, she is currently a Vanier Scholar and doctoral student at UBC. Sherryl has over 20 years of experience teaching K-6 music with an emphasis on Indigenous traditions. She has composed for national choirs like ProCoro Canada and the Canadian Chamber Choir, with works such as *nîpîy (Water Song)* and *kahkiyaw oskâyak (All the Young People)*. Her music has featured in film and educational programs, including the NAC's "Music Alive." A founding member of the Juno-nominated trio Asani, Sherryl has performed internationally and released her solo album *Splashing the Water Loudly* in 2014.

SUMMER 2025

July 6

Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee preaching:
"The First Diss Track Ever Written... The Backstory"
from Judges 4

July 13 – Communion

Dayle K. Barrett preaching:
Gideon pt.1: "The God of Peace Declares War"
from Judges 6:1-24

July 20

Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee preaching:
Gideon pt. 2: "This is SPARTA!!!"
from Judges 7:1-8, 15-25

July 27

Joanne Leatch preaching:
Gideon pt. 3: "What on Earth was He Thinking?"
from Judges 8:22-35

August 3

Donyelle McCray preaching:
Gideon pt. 4: "in the King's Shadow"
from Judges 9:1-6

August 10 – Communion

Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee preaching:
"Beware the Vow Made in Haste"
from Judges 11:1-11, 29-40

August 17

Dayle K. Barrett preaching:
Samson pt. 1: "A Righteous Vow "
from Judges 13:1-25

August 24

Rev. Dr. Jason Byassee preaching:
Samson pt. 2: "The Riddler's Revenge"
from Judges 14

August 31

Rev. Dr. Paul S. Wilson preaching:
Samson pt. 3: "Are You Good Enough for God?"
from Judges 16

Summer SONGBIRDS

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EVERY 4TH MONDAY OF THE MONTH!



Join us on **July 28 at 7 PM** to discuss Fredrik Backman's *Anxious People*, which is warm and funny and posits questions of conscience and the choices we make for the right reasons.

CHURCHES ON-THE-HILL FOOD BANK

The JULY Food of the Month donation is SALTED CRACKERS. With rising food costs the food bank is serving record numbers of clients (approximately 1200 people per week). In order to ensure that the food bank can continue in future years we need the financial support of the community.



Visit us at cothfoodbank.ca to donate either on a one time or a pre-authorized monthly basis. Thank you for your support.

STEWARDSHIP

TEMC has always felt like home to me. I enjoy our services, the wonderful music, the good company at coffee hour and the chance to volunteer in service to our community. Our pageant, our community dinners, our Art and Treasures sale and our food bank all open our doors to our congregation and our neighbours. —Nancy Naylor

Have you checked out our blog? Visit us at temc.ca/blog to see what's new.



In March 2025, TEMC’s Chamber and Sanctuary Choirs partnered with the Good Shepherd Collective from New York for a special Lenten project. This collaboration brought together voices and talents from different communities to create a powerful expression of faith through music. The project resulted in a series of recordings capturing the spirit of Lent—reflection, sacrifice, and hope—through original compositions and arrangements. The experience left a lasting impression on all involved and continues to inspire worship. We invite you to watch the videos and join us on this journey of faith and creativity. Scan the QR code to watch:



Timothy Eaton Memorial Church is located on the traditional territory of many nations, including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples. We pray that the Holy Spirit will gather all people into one body of Christ.



BUSHCRAFT AND WILDERNESS SURVIVAL SKILLS

This 5 week multi-module course will cover immediate skills to be used in any survival situation or as just a fascinating course to enjoy learning skills long lost in today's modern society. Open to youth and adults!

Modules covered:

- Lost person behaviour
- Fire making & ignition sources
- Building of shelters
- Water purification techniques and equipment
- Components of a survival kit
- Tools-safety and sharpening techniques
- Land navigation and
- Wilderness first-aid

Courses run every Wednesday from 6:00-8:30 PM. Start the course at any point. Cost: \$95.00

The Instructor Dean Copecoge is a survival, tracking and SERE Instructor. He is also Anishnawbe from the Williams Treaty Area and a Anishinaabe Traditional Knowledge Keeper and Pipe Carrier.

Register at temc.ca/survival

PSYCHOLOGICAL FIRST AID COURSE

Psychological first aid is a crisis intervention tool. Our approach provides individuals the means to identify psychological distress in themselves and others, and valuable tools to effectively address it. Further, we focus on tools to be applied to one's wellness and self care addressing grief, anxiety and crisis. Our approach is interactive, with examples, video tutorials, and real world experiences. Courses run every Thursday from 6:00-8:30 PM for three weeks. Start dates available twice a month. Follow the link below to see upcoming start dates. Cost: \$95.00

The facilitator Dean Copecoge a certified Psychological First Aid instructor, an Anishnawbe Traditional Knowledge Keeper and Pipe Carrier. Register at temc.ca/survival

Worship Information:

- Wheelchair access is through the northwest entrance.
- The 11:00 a.m. service is live-streamed at temc.ca/livestream or youtube.com/@TEMCToronto/streams
- Copies of recent sermons are available in the narthex or at temc.ca/sermons.

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