

Third Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 8, 2026

“A Celebration of Lord Baden Powell”

We Gather As God's Children

Procession of 5th Tsartlip Scouts *Please stand in body or spirit.*

The Life and Work of the Church

Lighting of the Christ Candle

We are God's children gathered to worship and praise.

We are united in love, respect and living out justice for all.

We light the Christ candle to bring light to all who gather.

We also light this candle to bring light to a world in need.

Hymn **Bless the Lord** (More Voices 46)

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Bless the Lord, O my soul, bless God's holy name.

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- 1 Remember the kindness of our God,
who showers us with blessing all our days.
Bless the Lord, O my soul, bless God's holy name.
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- 2 Remember the justice of our God,
who stand with those forgotten and confused.
Bless the Lord, O my soul, bless God's holy name.
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- 3 Remember the healing love of God,
who calls us to be whole and to be free.
Bless the Lord, O my soul, bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul, bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord.

Morning Prayer

A Time to Wonder

Anthem He Put a New Song in My Heart

by Michael Barrett; words from Psalm 40:3

A Special Baden Powell Presentation

Kookaburra

Kookaburra sits in the old gum tree,
Merry merry king of the bush is he.
Laugh, Kookaburra! Laugh, Kookaburra!
What a life you lead!

Kookaburra sits in the old gum tree,
Merry merry king of the bush is he.
Sing, Kookaburra! Sing, Kookaburra!
Sing your song for me.
Kookaburra sits in the old gum tree
Eating all the gumdrops he can see
Stop, Kookaburra! Stop, Kookaburra!
Leave some there for me.

Kookaburra sits in the old gum tree,
Counting all the monkeys he can see
Stop, Kookaburra! Stop, Kookaburra!
That's no monkey, that's me!

Ging Gang Gooli

Ging gang gooli gooli gooli gooli watcha
Ging gang goo, ging gang goo.
Ging gang gooli gooli gooli gooli watcha
Ging gang goo, ging gang goo.
Hay la, hay la, shay la,
Hay la shay la hay la ho-o
Hay la, hay la shay la
Hay la shay la hay la ho
Shawly wally, shawly wally,
Shawly wally, shawly wally
Umpa, umpa, umpa, umpa...

We Listen For God's Word

Scripture Reading Psalm 17:1-8

Reflection "Apples and Oranges"

Hymn of the Day Sing a Happy Hallelujah

(Voices United 224, vs. 1, 2 & 4)

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1 Sing a happy hallelujah,
sing it out with heart and style,
we're the echo of God's laughter,
we're the image of God's smile.

Refrain Hallelujah, all creation,
hallelujah everyone!
Hallelujah, all creation,
hallelujah everyone!

2 We're the proof of God's good humour,
we're the twinkle in God's eye,
made to shine, reflect the glory,
given light and space to fly. *Refrain*

4 Every day sing hallelujah!
We are loved, though so absurd,
human, foolish, chosen people,
God still takes us at our word! *Refrain*

We Live Out Our Faith to Love and Serve

Invitation to Offering

Offering Music Étude Opus 10, Number 6

Frédéric Chopin

Offering Response **It Only Takes a Spark** (v. 1)

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Please stand in body or spirit.

It only takes a spark to get a fire going,
And soon all those around can warm up in its glowing;
That's how it is with God's love,
Once you've experienced it;
You spread God's love to everyone,
you want to pass it on.

Offering Prayer

Pastoral Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

Parting Hymn **Draw the Circle Wide** (More Voices 145)

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Refrain Draw the circle wide.
Draw it wider still.
Let this be our song,
no one stands alone,
standing side by side,
draw the circle wide.

1. God the still point of the circle,
 'round whom all creation turns;
 nothing lost but held forever,
 in God's gracious arms. *Refrain*

2. Let our hearts touch far horizons,
 so encompass great and small;
 let our loving know no borders,
 faithful to God's call. *Refrain*

3. Let the dreams we dream be larger,
 than we've ever dreamed before;
 let the dream of Christ be in us,
 open every door. *Refrain*

Benediction

As we travel this Lenten journey,
we know that God leads and guides us.
As we travel this Lenten journey,
we rejoice in the stories of Jesus' ministry.
We leave this place in peace,
going to share the love of God everywhere we go.

Recessional

A Trumpet Tune *by Gene Clarke*
Please stand in body or spirit.

*Please join us now in the Hall for
refreshments and cake courtesy of the 5th Tsartlip Scouts.*

Worship Leadership – Pastor Beth Parsons
Music Leadership – Sharon Prindle-Collins and the CBUC Choir
Guest Musician – Phelan Zhang
The Life and Work of the Church – Ron Norman
Lighting of the Christ Candle – The Spirit Kids
The Spirit Kids Program – Grace Cave and Moira Dennis
Offering Invitation and Prayer – Alan Priestley
Greeters – Linda Snelling and Tony Rozario
Technical Support – Karen Clark and Sue Christensen
Fellowship Time – 2nd Sunday Brew Crew