



The United Church of Canada **Boiestown & St Thomas**

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1st Sunday in the Season of Creation

Today's Theme

There is a long tradition in Western cultures of owning the land we live on, or aspiring to, but the virtues we try to live as Christians can complicate owning anything. Today we try to find balance.

* Indicates stand as you are able.

The congregation shall read the **bold-faced print**.

Gathering

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

Acknowledging Traditional Territory:

**Introit:* VU 516 Come, You Thankful People, Come, verse 1

**Call to Worship:*

One: Our hearts ponder the beauty of God's majesty!

All: The wonders of God's work!

One: The firmament displays the sea and sky—

All: proclaiming the majesty of God's presence.

One: A God of awe and wonder is worthy of all praise!

All: May the Creator God come bless our hearts,

One: that we may show compassion, love, and care—

**All: for all good gifts made for God's pleasure
and our delight!**

One: May we be humble, respectful, and grateful

All: for Creation and for a God who keeps creating.

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**Hymn:* MV 135 Called By Earth and Sky

Creator God, we thank you for creating this glorious world and for providing a safe place for us to come and worship. Help us to be silent this morning so that we may receive your word and know that you are God, the Creator of all that is. Amen.

Announcements and Celebrations

Creed: VU 918 A New Creed

Word

Epistle Reading: Philemon 1-21

Reader: This is the word of the church.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading: Luke 14:25-33

Reader: This is the good news of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: Praise to Christ, the Word.

Meditation: Owning vs Possessing

**Hymn:* VU 161 I Have Called You By Your Name

Thanksgiving

Minute for Mission

Offertory VU 518 As Those of Old, verse 1

Dedication

Prayers of The People & The Lord's Prayer

**Hymn:* VU 169 When Hands Reach Out



Sending Forth

**Commissioning and Benediction:*

One: Remember that you are a child of God.

All: We belong to the body of Christ.

One: As members of that Body, go forth and find the presence of the Holy Spirit,

All: to receive blessing, and to be a blessing in Christ's name. Amen.

Blessing: VU 420 Go to the World, verse 2

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A warm welcome to those who are worshipping with us today.

September 14, 2025 – 11:00a.m. – Doaktown. Communion & Pot Luck.

September 11, 2025 Nursing Home Service at 10:30a.m.

The Boiestown United Church will be having a Roast Beef Supper on October 25, 2025 at the Lion's Club at 4:00p.m.

Donations toward the meat and veggies need to be added to your envelope, as the Lion's Club is buying the items in bulk through a supplier. Adults: \$18.00; Children (12 and under) \$8.00; Preschoolers – Free. Purchase your tickets by October 16, 2025 and get entered to win a Fall Basket of goodies.

Tickets are available from Olga Ross 369-2617 or Etransfer to rossolga5@gmail.com or Mary Ellen Black.