

St. Paul's United Church, Edmonton

October 9 2022 at 10:30

Thanksgiving

Music to draw us in

Call to worship and welcome

Land acknowledgment

Grateful TOMASZEK MV 182

Prayer followed by silent prayer and the prayer Jesus taught

Open Doors and Thresholds Rondy Kyle

May the Road Rise to Meet You SETTING IAIN MCLARTY

May the road rise to meet you. May the wind always be at your back.

May the sun shine upon your face; the rain fall soft on your fields

and until we meet again, and until we meet again,

may God hold you, hold you in the palm of God's hand.

Tomatoes and honey and pomegranates oh my!

Deuteronomy 8:7-18 Marion Brenner

For the Fruit of All Creation AR HYD Y NOS VU 227

Hurricanes and drought and rising sea-levels:

Seeking a Just and Sustainable Global Community

Anthem For the Autumn Sky RUTH ELAINE SCHRAM

Blessing the offering

Prayer

Ev'ry Day is a Day of Thanksgiving BURKS MV 185

Benediction

Music to see us out

Rev. Dr Catherine F. MacLean and Rev. Anna Constantin

Music Director: Susan Farrell

Musician: Tyson Kerr

Livestream/audio: Logan Smarch, Samantha Engler, Kate Florian

Welcomers: Pat Greenways, Heather Peden, Don Purdy, Sandy Walker

Flowers this month: Marion Brooker, Evelyn Henderson

**A Thanksgiving Grace
you might offer from Table or Window**

Here, in this moment,
there are yellow leaves still on the cottonwoods
scarlet berries on the mountain ash
green grasses along the roadways.

Soon, in another moment,
there will be blue-green waves on the river
grey branches holding sky
cobalt skies gathering dark.

Once, in an earlier moment,
there were seeds sprouting
grains bursting
fruit straining
against the summer heat.

Here, in this moment,
we hold it all in our minds:
season and time, produce and meal.
Here, in this moment,
we hold it all in our hearts:
friends and family, departed and among, far and near.

Here, in this moment,
we hold it all in our bodies:
courage and strength, forgiveness and compassion,
tears and laughter, memory and hope.

Here, in this moment,
we hold it all in our spirits:
Thanksgiving.

We bring gratitude, Holy Spirit, for the pleasure of these sights.
We bring hope, Christ who is our Light, for the world.
We bring thanks, Creator and Provider, for all who tend the earth.
Here, in this moment, we pray: giving thanks. Amen.