Port Wallis United Church

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World Food Sunday ***denotes standing, if able*** **October 18, 2026**

Port Wallis United Church is an Affirming Congregation
that openly welcomes you as a child of God,
made in God's image and loved by God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

As we gather for worship in gratitude, we remember that we live and worship on lands that are the unceded territories of the Mi'kmaq.

May we live with respect on this land, and in peace and friendship with its people.

CALL TO WORSHIP *

Open our hearts. O God
That we might recognize Your voice in the voices of those around us.
May the laughter of children
call us into Your joy.
May the stories of the elders
teach us Your wisdom.
May the cries of all who are impacted by violence and disaster and the despair of all who are hungry and impoverished
stir us to work for Your justice.
May the moans of all who are sick and suffering
move us to acts of Your mercy.
May our own suffering, fear and distress
provoke us to recognize the needs of others as You do.
Open our hearts, O God, to You. **Amen.**

HYMN # 507 (VU) *Today We All Are Called To Be Disciples* *

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE, SILENCE, PRAYER

A Prayer for Discipleship (Voices United Page 564)

Jesus Christ, our Saviour,
alive and large in the world;
help us to follow and find you today
in the places where we work and meet people,
spend leisure time and make plans.
Teach us to see through your eyes,
and to hear the questions you ask,
by the power of the Cross,
and in the freedom of your spirit, we pray. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE # 562 (VU) *Jesus Calls Us* (vs 1)

Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult of our life's wild restless sea,
day by day his clear voice sounding,
saying "Christians follow me."

LEARNING TIME AND PRAYER

Creator of all,
You have called us and chosen us to be your people.
By the power of your Holy Spirit
may we bear witness with joy and conviction
to the good news of Jesus Christ. Amen.

RESPONSIVE HYMN # 563 (VU) *Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore* *

SCRIPTURES

Psalm 96 ~ Voices United Pg.816
1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10
Matthew 22: 15-22

SERMON

MUSICAL REFLECTION

HYMN # 135 (MV) *Called by Earth and Sky**

OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

- **Invitation to Generosity**
- **Offering**
- **Response** # 542 (VU) *We Give You But Your Own**
  We give you but your own, what-e'er the gifts may be,
  all that we have is yours alone, we give it gratefully.
- **Offertory Prayer ***
  A world in need awaits our offering. Our offering of time, talents and treasures can make a difference, here and around the world. We offer our hearts in Christ's service. Amen.

A NEW CREED *

We are not alone. We live in God's world.
We believe in God:
Who has created and is creating,
Who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new;
Who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the Church;
to celebrate God's Presence,
to live with respect in creation,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus,
crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.
We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

PRAYER REQUESTS, PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN # 581 (VU) *When We Are Living* *

COMMISSIONING & BENEDICTION *

SUNG RESPONSE # 649 (VU) *Walk with Me* (Refrain x2) *

Walk with me, I will walk with you
and build the land that God has planned
where love shines through.

POSTLUDE

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Sunday, October 18, 2026