

GatheringWorship.ca

Gathering Worship is an online worship planning resource and collection that will expand on the over 40-year history of Gathering, the church's popular worship periodical. Introduced in the spring of 2022, it provides a curated, searchable, and customizable collection of online worship resources.



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Gathering Worship is compatible with Then Let Us Sing!, which will allow you to search all United Church music for worship planning.

In addition, you will be able to

- find prayers and ready-to-use services
- access blogs and columns from *Gathering*, and
- create and plan unique worship services

Cost: Access to *Gathering Worship* is available to all current *Gathering* subscribers through United Church Bookstore and will include the print magazine subscription.

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The United Church of Canada Presents

Two New Digital Worship and Music Planning Tools





ThenLetUsSing.ca

God has given us a song to sing!

Singing and worshipping together are foundational ways we have lived out our faith in The United Church of Canada for almost 100 years. *Then Let Us Sing!* and *Gathering Worship* are an investment in the faith formation and spiritual health of our United Church.



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In recent years, the desire has been expressed in the United Church for new resources to support the changing worship landscape, addressing and anticipating the needs of our evolving church for the years to come. In response, we're introducing two new platforms.

Then Let Us Sing! and Gathering Worship will increase the availability and accessibility of dynamic, multimedia resources, equipping our United Churches for the next 100 years of worship and musical possibilities.

Gathering Worship is a curated, searchable collection of online worship resources developed in collaboration with *Then Let Us Sing!*, the online music resource tool. Together, they will bring great versatility to the task of worship planning, strengthen our ecumenical relationship, and introduce several hundred new hymns and songs.

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ThenLetUsSing.ca

Then Let Us Sing! is an online music resource that will make most hymns from Voices United, More Voices, and Nos voix unies—plus approximately 150 new hymns and songs—available in one digital location and under one copyright licence. Over 1,200 hymns in all!

One of the key benefits of *Then Let Us Sing!* will be its versatility. Not only will it provide congregations with the rights use the music in worship according to their own needs (copying, printing, projecting and/or screening), but its digital format will allow us to regularly add new music in the years ahead to satisfy the needs of an evolving church.

Then Let Us Sing! will be introduced in the fall of 2024, in time to celebrate the United Church's 100th birthday in 2025.

The new hymns will bring us fresh language for God as well as accessible musical styles. They will lift up and prioritize racialized, Indigenous, francophone, and LGBTQQITTPA+ and Two Spirit voices, people with disabilities, and people of diverse linguistic communities.

To develop *Then Let Us Sing!* in the most just and faithful way possible, we have engaged in a unique partnership with Hope Publishing Company and OneLicense.net (GIA

Publications), industry leaders in the areas of Christian music publishing and worship music copyright. Our service partners' expertise will help us ensure the just administration of copyright, empowering artists and creative communities across the world while ensuring dynamic access to customizable musical content for congregations.



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Cost: Then Let Us Sing! will be available by subscription through OneLicense.net, and subscription fees will be less than current One License fees.

While *Then Let Us Sing!* will be entirely in digital format, a hardcopy supplement with all the new hymns will also be available.