# Sunset United Church

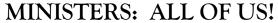
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Choir Leader: Nancy Edwards

Pianists: Shirley Hill and Kevin Petrychyn House Group #11



With Kathy Platt and Michelle McConkey

We pray that our worship is both 'child & adult friendly'.

Please feel free to make the language
of worship inclusive for you.

Please sit or stand as you are able.

Blessed be our time together.

## **WE GATHER**

Prelude

Worship begins with the ringing of the prayer bowl

Gathering: #62 (MV) There Is Room for All\* (Words on Screens)

Lighting of the Candles



Welcome & Announcements

Words of Blessing as we begin Lent

**Hymn:** #161 (MV) – I Have Called You by Your Name \*^\* (Words on Screens)

Conversation around the baptismal font

Passing of the Peace of Christ



#### WE LISTEN

Hymn: #644 – I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry

#### Sacrament of Baptism\*\*

Butterfly Woman, Zada Raine Belanger Perrey & Little Eagle Man, Zackree Steel Belanger Perrey (Children of Kevin Perrey & Nicholas Belanger)

Vows: the Parents, Zada & Zack, the Godparents

Vows of the Congregation:

We, as a community of fellow believers, promise to care for these children by our actions and our prayers. We are eager to surround them and their families with our love and our care. We are, by this affirmation, inseparably bound with them. We promise to support and nurture all children, committing ourselves as a community to live in love as Jesus did, turning away from the murky waters that drag humanity down, to the crystal waters that buoy us up. We commit ourselves to sharing our faith with Zada and Zack, as, together, we walk with God.

Sung blessing: Go Now in Peace

**Choir Anthem:** Shepherd of My Life

Scripture: Matthew 5: 1-16

Reflection

#### WE RESPOND

**Hymn:** #372 – Though I May Speak (Words on Screens)

Our Offerings are Received

**Doxology:** words by L. Erhardt

(words on screens)

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer (#959)

**Hymn:** #96 – Will You Come and See the Light? (Words on Screens)

Commissioning: A Closing Prayer^

Guide us, O God, amidst the commercial canyons and insistent crowds walking with grim purpose to their workplaces & shopping places.

In the busyness of the city, teach us

To notice:

The people on the margins,

The patches of green along the sidewalks

The laughter as well as the desperation

The places of healing & prayer.

Grant us the ability to open our eyes to all that is around us: the joy of life with friends & strangers of all races and abilities, the caring that unlocks our fears and enables us to reach out to this world with love...AMEN

### Blessing

Sung Response: Amen, Amen, Amen!

#### Postlude

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- \*\*Our baptism liturgy is based on words written in *Before the Amen*, , Editors, ©2007, The Pilgrim Press.
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