

Sunset United Church

An Affirming Ministry of the United Church of Canada

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Choir Leader: Nancy Edwards

Pianists: Shirley Hill and Kevin Petrychyn

Worship Hosts: Perry & Leslie Erhardt,
Josh & Emily Erhardt

Reader: Perry Erhardt

Coffee: Judy Fawell



MINISTERS: ALL OF US!

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: *Come, just as you are**

(words on screens - sing two times...)

Lighting of the Peace and Christ Candles



Welcome & Announcements

Minute for Mission Reading

Call to Worship

Ever present God – this day enfolds & surrounds us:

Be in our speaking & in our thinking

Be in our life & on our lips

Be in our hearts & in our souls

Be with us now as we sing your praise:

Opening Hymn: #375 – Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

Prayer for Wholeness**

There is a world that weeps, yearning for a sign of mercy:

The heart of God within us has no

Hands but our own.

There is a friend in anguish, besieged by unexpected pain:

The heart of God within us has no

Ears but our own.

There is a multitude harmed and weary from prejudicial ways:

The heart of God within us has no

Eyes but our own.

A stranger faces death alone, wondering if anyone will remember:

The heart of God within us has no

Tears but our own.

There is a life, hollow and lonely, longing for someone to walk alongside:

The heart of God within us has no

Feet but our own...

(Silent prayers of the heart....)Amen.

Assurance of God's Blessing

Our Sung Response: #280 – Mother & God

Passing of the Peace of Christ



WE LISTEN

Choir Anthem: *Sanctus*

Conversation time with Michelle & Kathy

Scripture: 1st Corinthians 13: 1-13

Reflection

WE RESPOND

Hymn: #79 (MV) – Spirit, Open my Heart****

Our Offerings are Received

Doxology: words by L. Erhardt
(words on screens)

Prayer of Dedication

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

Hymn: #556 – Would You Bless Our Homes & Families

Commissioning & Blessing

Sung Response: *Amen, Amen, Amen!*

Postlude



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