

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: Janet McMurtry,

Vikki May, Dave Millar

Reader: Terry McKague

Coffee: Sheila & Terry McKague

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: *Clap your hands**

(words on screens)

Lighting of the Peace and Christ Candles



Welcome & Announcements

Gathering into community through prayer**

Thank you God for our alphabetized world:

For apple crisp and happy accidents

Our bodies, our bread,

Thank you for hot coffee, cold climates, congregations

Thank for distance when it's needed, closeness when it's not.

For energy to get through our days:

For friendships that lift us out of ourselves,

Gardens that bring us back to earth

Hands to hold, homes to make or return to,

Intimacy of prayer and of love

Joy that renews itself over and over

Knowledge that we collect and spread

Your love, earthly love, human love

Marigolds and marsupials and Mars

Nights and nests and nows

Thank you for oranges and ocelots

For the perseverance of truth

For the multi-faceted quilt of our world

Thank you for relief from worry, for rest

For solemnity and song

Tortoises, turbulence and trouble

Umbrellas in thunderstorms

Violets in May

For November weather

For words that start with x

For Your everlasting and Your ever-present love

For all the zip and zings and zeros and zippers of

Our lives.

Thank you for our beautiful world...AMEN!

Hymn: #299 – Teach Me God to Wonder

(words on screens)



Passing of the Peace of Christ

WE LISTEN

Choir Anthem: *Give Me Oil in My Lamp*

Conversation time with Michelle & Kathy

Hymn: *This Little Light of Mine*

Scripture: Jeremiah 23: 1-6

Reflection

WE RESPOND

Hymn: MV #79 – *Spirit, Open My Heart*^

(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 – sung)

Hymn: #567 – *Will You Come and Follow Me?*

(words on screens)

Commissioning***

*Keep the song in my soul,
Let it not lose its music.
Keep the holy in my soul,
Let it not ignore its source.
Keep the love in my soul,
Let it not close in on self.
Keep the light in my soul,
Let it not forget to shine.
Keep the vision in my soul,
Let it not lose sight of you.*

Blessing

Sung Response: *Amen, Amen, Amen!*

Postlude



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