Sunset United Church An Affirming Ministry of the United Church of Canada www.sunsetunited.ca October 15, 2017 World Food Sunday

Choir Leader: Nancy Edwards Pianists: Shirley Hill and Kevin Petrychyn Worship Hosts: Vikki May, Richard Toppings, Janet McMurtry, Olive & Bob McLeod Reader: Dave Millar Coffee: Olive & Bob McLeod, Janet McMurtry

MINISTERS: ALL OF US! With Michael Webster and Michelle McConkey Guest Worship Leaders: Mark and Delise Pitman

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.

<u>WE GATHER</u>

Prelude

Recognition of Where We Are:

As we worship, we give thanks to the Creator for the Earth, and we honour the Saulteaux, the Cree, and other Aboriginal peoples upon whose traditional land, now defined as Treaty 4, we gather. Gathering: MV#115 – Behold, I Make All Things New (words on screens)

Lighting of the Peace and Christ Candles

Welcome & Announcements

Words to begin...

Food is at the heart of our way of living, of our families and of our relationships in community. How we grow, share, and eat food is important to all of us. How much we grow, share, and eat is also key. It affects our health, the health of the planet, and justice in the world.

For the hands around this circle, remind us of hands that weed the fields and tend the livestock and haul the nets; hands that pack the boxes and load the trucks and stock the shelves; hands that work where we do not, like the very hands of God.

We trust that you, God, will give us what we need; Food for our deepest hunger. Amen.

Opening Hymn: MV# 1 - Let Us Build A House **

(words on screens)

Opening Prayer

Loving God, in the stories and prayers of scripture, we hear the longing of our ancestors for a world of justice, a world where those in poverty are fed, where strangers are welcomed. Your people hunger and thirst for righteousness, for the simple kindness that honours all people, for your guidance and healing and wisdom. You satisfy our hunger with moments of awareness in our daily life: meeting us at the table where we are fed, **meeting us in the hand that is reaching out,** meeting us in the call to pray for each other, **meeting us as we dedicate our offering to you.** Great Spirit, remind us that you have chosen us to feed those in poverty, **to care for those bereaved,** to welcome strangers and refugees. **Feed us with your stories this day. Amen.**

Passing of the Peace of Christ

WE LISTEN

Choir Anthem: Rain Down

Conversation time with the children

Hymn: MV#144- Like a Healing Stream *** (words on screens)

Scripture: Mark 6: 30-44 2 Corinthians 9: 6-15

Reflection- Beyond the Bread

WE RESPOND

Hymn: VU #578 – As a Fire is Meant for Burning ****

Our Offerings are received

Doxology: by L. Erhardt

(words on screens)

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

(words on screens)

Hymn: MV#209 – Go, Make a Diff'rence *<* (words on screens)

Commissioning & Blessing

Postlude

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Resources :

- The United Church of Canada/L'Église Unie du Canada. Licensed under Creative Commons Attribution Non-commercial Share Alike License.
- Room at the Table: Canadian Food grains Bank
- Daily Bread Food Bank website: www.dailybread.ca.
- Generation Food Project—Across the Table, Across the World website: http://generationfoodproject.org.
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