

Sunset United Church

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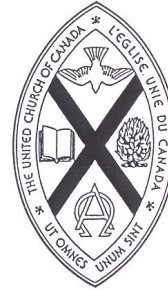
Choir Leader: Nancy Edwards

Pianists: Shirley Hill and Kevin Petrychyn

Worship Hosts: Dean & Lynn Ast,
Peg & George Achtymichuk

Reader: Maida Gardner

Coffee: Maida Gardner



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: #115 MV- Behold, Behold, I Make All

*Things New****

(words on screens)

Lighting of the Peace and Christ Candles



Welcome & Announcements



Words to begin – a paraphrase of Psalm 100*

Leap and dance with joy: the showers have ended and the sun has come out again.

Splash through the puddles!

Roll in the grass!

Let laughter rise like the song of sparrows

This is God's world!

We spoil it if we stare at the world through sour faces. God set us free to frolic, to dance, to celebrate the gift of life.

So dance your way to the garden;

Scatter rose-petals with every step.

With every breath, enjoy the gift of life.

From the beginning of time, God has poured out love; God will continue loving 'til time stops ticking.

Opening Hymn: #242 – *Let All Things Now Living*
(words on screens)

Prayer for Wholeness[^]

O Holy One:

Wake us up to what needs doing

And what needs undoing;

To what must be let go

And what to draw closer;

Wake us up to what enlarges love

And what diminishes it.

In all parts of our life,

Disturb us and wake us up...

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

Assurance of God's Blessing

Our Sung Response: *Halle, Halle, Halle!*

Passing of the Peace of Christ

WE LISTEN

Choir Anthem: *River of Life*

Blessing^{^^}: *Sapphire Aurora Louison*

Hymn: #964- *Go Now In Peace*

Scripture: Luke 4: 14-30

Reflection

WE RESPOND

Hymn: MV #150 – *Spirit God, Be Our Breath*****
(words on the 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: #563 – *Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*
(words on screens)

Commissioning+

Where there is silence, let there be laughter.

Where there is laughter, let there be light.

Where there is light, let there be love.

Where there is love, let there be hope.

Where there is hope, let there be you.

Where there is you, let there be life.

Blessing

Sung Response: *Amen, Amen, Amen!*

Postlude



**written by James Taylor in *Everyday Psalms*, ©2010, WoodLake Books.

^written in *Fragments of Your Ancient Name*, Joyce Rupp, ©2011, Sorin Books

^^written in *Circles of Grace*, Keri Wehlander, ©1998, United Church Publishing House.

+Leonardo Alishan, “Little Prayer”, written in *A Forgiving Heart*, edited by Lyn Klug, ©2003, Augsburg Press.

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