

Sunset United Church

February 10th, 2019 – Epiphany 5C – *Black History Month*

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"Never be limited by other people's limited imagination" *Dr. Mae Jemison,* first African American female astronaut

WE GATHER

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Lighting the Candles



Hymn: MV#2 Come All You People ***

Call to Worship

Faithful God, we thank you that we are known by you And that you have called us to go into the world to do your world.

Lead us we pray

You called us to love and be loved as we do justice in your field.

Help us we pray

We come in humility asking that you will give us courage and wisdom

to become ambassadors of your peace and reconciliation.

Hear us we pray

You made us like you and called us to be unique. As you look at us you see the same people created in your image.

Help us we pray.

Help us, Holy One, that we may be able to stand up to any injustice.

Hear us we pray.

We are glad to be your people as we all come together with one voice,

Answering and making a commitment that we will not keep quiet

If there is injustice, but we will stand up and do your work of love, peace and reconciliation. As you have called us to be one, we recommit ourselves to this calling. We pray this through Jesus, our sibling. Amen.

Opening Prayer: **

God of love, peace and unity,

We thank you for welcoming us all just as we are;

For making us equal as your children

From all corners of the earth;

And for giving us your blessings as your children;

And for making us belong.

We pray that you help us realize that we are All made in your image, and we need to bring peace To all your creation as one people who belong to you. We ask all this through Christ our sibling. Amen.

Opening Hymn: VU#670 Precious Lord, Take My Hand ****

Prayer Seeking Reconciliation:

Holy One,

Forgive us when we fail to respond to your call with faith.

Through your Spirit

We stand in the assurance of your acceptance.

Forgive us when we are shackled by our narrow understandings of discipleship

And our clouded sense of purpose.

Through your Spirit

We are drawn into the illumination of your love.

Forgive us when we are frightened of the future

Or pull back from the demand of your calling.

Forgive us when we fail to sense your presence in our past,

To acknowledge your grace in the present moment,

And to trust you for our future.

Through your Spirit we offer ourselves in discipleship.

We stand together as your disciples.

We seek renewed and renewing faith.

Touch us with your Spirit, Holy Presence.

-Silent Prayer-

Words of Assurance

Passing the Peace



WE LISTEN

Anthem: All Night, All Day

Sharing the Story

Hymn: VU#597 Simon, Simon, A Fisherman

(v. 1, 2, 5) *****

Scripture: Luke 5: 1-11

Reflection

Hymn: VU#567 Will You Come and Follow Me? <<

WE RESPOND

Prayers of the Community
The Lord's Prayer (VU#959)

Hymn: VU#563 Jesus You Have Come to the Lakeshore **<<

Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude

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