





# Sunset United Church



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Second Sunday after Epiphany

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## WE GATHER

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Hymn: MV#2 Come All You People

Christ Candle

We light this candle

To remind us of the presence of Christ.

**The light from this one candle  
shines for each of us.**

We light this candle

To remind us of the love of Christ.

**The light from this one candle  
shines equally for the world.**

Call to Worship

Many of us spend our lives rushing,

**To get things done,**

**To go to places we need to be,**

**To achieve our destinies.**

Some of us spend our time hurrying,  
From one place to another,  
Through one activity on the way to another,  
Forgetting to take time to enjoy  
what is around us.

On this Sabbath day,  
Let us slow our hurrying and calm our rushing  
Taking time to settle into worship,  
And taking time to settle into God.

God is here, with us now, with us always.  
Let us recognize this Holy Presence  
As we worship today.

**Opening Prayer:**

In awe and in wonder, we pray:

In our listening,  
May we receive your whispers to our hearts,  
Encouraging us to live for one another.  
In our witnessing,  
May your good news be proclaimed.  
In our greeting,  
May we recognize you in the faces greeting us.  
In our praying,  
May we feel your touch of grace.  
In our singing this morning,  
May your harmony ring out with joy.  
Amen.

**Hymn:** MV#8 And on this Path

**Prayer Seeking Reconciliation:**

Gracious God,  
You have called us into being and equipped us

with communication and knowledge,  
and with every spiritual gift we need,  
and yet sometimes we fail to use those gifts,  
or to proclaim our mission.  
Help us to remember that you have called us  
To be your saints  
And will strengthen us to the very end.

*-Silent reflection -*

Words of Assurance

Sung Response: MV#85 Take, O Take Me as I am

Passing the Peace

## WE LISTEN

Anthem

Sharing the Story

Hymn: VU#421 Oh, Sing to Our God

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9  
John 1: 29-42

Reflection

Hymn: VU#570 Jesus Hands were Kind Hands

## WE RESPOND

### Offering Collection and Dedication

Hymn: VU#540 Grant Us, God, the Grace

#### Offering Prayer:

These are but tokens, Gracious God,

Of the riches you have given us.

Take, with these, our time, our talents,

Our questions, our hopes.

We dedicate these gifts and our lives,

In the name of Jesus. Amen

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

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

### Commissioning and Benediction

### Postlude