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Sunset United Church

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Sunset United, located on Treaty 4 Territory, is an Affirming community of faith.

All are welcome here.

Welcome & Announcements

Centering Time

Call to Worship and Opening Prayer

One: May the love of God be with you all,

All: And also with you.

One: Come, come into a time of worship!

All: We worship God, the creator, the source of love

One: Come into a time of listening;

All: We listen for the voice of Christ, calling us to new

life

One: Come into a time of experience;

All: The holy spirit blows through our gathering, filling

our hearts to overflowing, spurring our minds to be

curious, and enlivening our souls!

One: Let us pray:

All: Holy God, you call us to be in relationship. This call is so insistent that you make yourself known in many ways. We find you in the world you create, in the example of the living Christ, and in the love of this community. May we become more aware of your presence through our time of worship and may we be willing to join on your holy work.

We pray to you who is our mother and our father who art in heaven hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil;

for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn VU#315 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty¹

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee; holy, holy, merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye made blind by sin thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;
holy, holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Theme Time

Anthem

Scripture Reading Matthew 28:16-20

Message

Hymn MV#10 Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom²
Come and seek the ways of Wisdom,
she who danced when earth was new.
Follow closely what she teaches,
for her words are right and true.
Wisdom clears the path to justice,
showing us what love must do.

Listen to the voice of Wisdom, crying in the market-place.

Hear the Word made flesh among us, full of glory, truth and grace.
When the word takes root and ripens, peace and righteousness embrace.

Sister Wisdom, come, assist us; nurture all who seek rebirth.
Spirit guide and close companion, bring to light our sacred worth.
Free us to become your people holy friends of God and Earth.

Minute for Mission
Sung Response VU#958 Halle, Halle, Halle³
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, hallelujah!
Halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Prayers for the World

Hymn MV#30 It's a Song of Praise to the Maker⁴
It's a song of praise to the Maker,
the thrush sings high in the tree.
It's a song of praise to the Maker,
the gray whale sings in the sea.

Refrain And by the Spirit you and I can join our voice to the holy cry and sing, sing, sing to the Maker too.

It's a call of life to the Giver when waves and waterfalls roar. It's a call of life to the Giver when high tides break on the shore.

Refrain

It's a hymn of love to the Lover; the bumblebees hum along. It's a hymn of love to the Lover; the summer breeze joins the song,

Refrain

It's a chorus of all creation;

it's sung by all living things. It's a chorus of all creation; a song the universe sings,

Refrain

Blessing and Sending

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