



South Regina United Community

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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 *(adapted from Psalm 98)*

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

All: And also with you.

One: Sing to God a new song,

All: For God is doing marvelous things!

One: Make a joyful noise to God,

All: Enter into joyous praise and singing of songs

One: Even the seas shall roar with awe

All: And the rivers will clap with joy before our God!

One: This is the day to sing to God,

All: Let all join in the music!

One: Let us pray:

All: Holy God, in every voice you are found. In the sound of an anguished cry, you are there, in the sound of voices lifted in song, you are there. We know that you were here in this place before we arrived, waiting for us to come together as a family of faith, to praise you. We are here now, we are ready, we long to participate in what you are doing. We sing to you the prayer Jesus taught:

Hymn VU#960 The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who are 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 them that trespass against us.

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil:
for thine is the kingdom and the power and the
glory,
for ever and ever. Amen**

Hymn MV#126 Are You a Shepherd?¹

**Are you a shepherd, good shepherd who leads us
safely through danger, while calming our fears?
Are you a father who shelter and feeds us,
shares in our laughter and wipes away tears?**

Refrain **Yes, you are shepherd, parent and teacher,
but you are greater than all that we know.
Holy and living, loving and giving,
God, you are with us wherever we go.**

**Are you a mother, good mother who bears us,
comforts, protects us and helps us to rest?
Are you a teacher who daily prepares us,
challenging students to offer their best?**

Refrain **Yes, you are shepherd, parent and teacher,
but you are greater than all that we know.
Holy and living, loving and giving,
God, you are with us wherever we go.**

**Great, gentle shepherd, forever beside us,
lead all your children in paths that are right.
Great, loving parent, wise parent, you guide us.
We want to love you and bring you delight.**

Refrain **Yes, you are shepherd, parent and teacher,
but you are greater than all that we know.
Holy and living, loving and giving,
God, you are with us wherever we go.**

Theme Time

Anthem

Lord's Prayer from Matthew 6:5-13

⁵“And whenever you pray,

⁹“Pray, then, in this way:

**Our Father in heaven,
may your name be revered as holy.
¹⁰ May your kingdom come.
May your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
¹¹ Give us today our daily bread.
¹² And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
¹³ And do not bring us to the time of trial,
but rescue us from the evil one.**

Message

Part I Daily Bread

Hymn VU#236 Now Thank We All Our God

**Now thank we all our God, with heart,
and hands, and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom this world rejoices;
who from our mother’s arms has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.**

**O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us,
and keep us strong in grace, and guide us when
perplexed,
and free us from all ill in this world and the next.**

**All praise and thanks to God
for all that has been given,
the Son, and Spirit blest
who dwell in highest heaven,
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.**

Lord’s Prayer paraphrase by John Haas

**Unknowable Mystery,
We honour the presence of the holy in our midst.
May the “kin-dom” flourish among us.**

May we have only what we need each day that all might have enough and more tomorrow.

May we be as generous in offering forgiveness as we have been humbled and grateful in being forgiven.

May we be strengthened through our trials; and may we face evil with courage, truth and love.

As we pray in Jesus' name, may we also journey in his way. Amen.

Message

Part II "Forgive"

Hymn VU#288 Great Is Thy Faithfulness²

**Great is thy faithfulness, God our Creator;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.**

Refrain **Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided -
great is thy faithfulness, ever to me!**

**Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.**

Refrain **Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided -
great is thy faithfulness, ever to me!**

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow -
wondrous the portion thy blessings provide.**

Refrain **Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided -
great is thy faithfulness, ever to me!**

Lord's Prayer VU#916 A Paraphrase

**Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be.
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

**The hallowing of your name echo
through the universe!**

**The way of your justice be followed
by peoples of the world!**

**Your heavenly will be done
by all created beings!**

**Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.**

**For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Message Part III "Kingdom"

Hymn VU#356 Seek Ye First the Kingdom³

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and God's righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Hallelu, hallelujah.**

**Ask and it shall be given unto you;
seek and you shall find;
knock and the door shall be opened unto you.
Hallelu, hallelujah.**

**We do not live by bread alone,
but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of God.
Hallelu, hallelujah.**

Minute for Mission

Sung Response MV#157 I Am a Child of God⁴ (v. 2)

**I am an endless prayer, I am a yearning for contemplation,
I am an endless prayer, I am an endless prayer.**

Prayers for the World

Hymn VU#884 You Shall Go Out with Joy (Isaiah 55)⁵

**You shall go out with joy
and be led forth with peace;
the mountains and the hills
will break forth before you;
there'll be shouts of joy,
and all the trees of the field
will clap, will clap their hands!**

**And all the trees of the field will clap their hands,
(clap, clap)
the trees of the field will clap their hands,
(clap, clap)
the trees of the field will clap their hands
(clap, clap)
while you go out with joy.**

Blessing and Sending



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