



# Sunset United Church

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Sunset United, located on Treaty 4 Territory,  
is an Affirming community of faith. All are welcome here.

## WE GATHER

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Centering Music

**Lighting the Christ Candle:**

As worship begins today and we light

The Christ candle,

Let us remember that Jesus came

Into the world to bring peace

And love to all people in this chaotic world.

**Hymn:** MV#21 Open our Hearts

*Open our hearts, open our minds.  
Open our lives to you O loving God.*

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Open our lives to you O loving God.  
Open our hearts.*

**Call to Worship:**

All that we are,

**Is a gift from God!**

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Every breath we take...

Every movement we make...

The life in which we partake...

**Is a gift from God!**

And so we gather...

**To receive and to give back,**

**To listen and to teach,**

**To remind ourselves that we are stewards**

**Of all God's gifts,**

**Blessed in the sharing**

**Of all talents and treasures!**

Alleluia!

**Alleluia, amen!**

**Opening Prayer**

Loving One,

You are the reason we are here.

We gather in person,

We gather virtually,

We gather to be community

In the best way we can in these times.

There are many emotions

Swirling in each of us,

Relief and anxiety  
In those who sit in this building.  
Longing and concern  
In those who sit at home.  
Be with us in those feelings,  
Allow us to know that  
We are responding to our world.  
Here as we worship,  
Help us to know that you are  
With us in each of our emotions...  
With us in each of our moments.  
May your spirit be present with us  
Now and when we leave this time.  
Amen.

**Hymn:** VU#395 Come in, Come in and sit down

Refrain:

*Come in, come in and sit down,  
You are a part of the family.  
We are lost and we are found,  
And we are a part of the family.*

1. You know the reason why you came,  
Yet no reason can explain;  
So share in the laughter and cry in the pain,  
For we are a part of the family. R
2. God is with us in this place,  
Like a mother's warm embrace.  
We're all forgiven by God's grace,  
For we are a part of the family. R

3. *There's life to be shared in the bread and the wine;  
We are the branches, Christ is the vine.  
This is God's temple, it's not yours or mine,  
But we are a part of the family. R*
4. *There's rest for the weary and health for us all;  
There's a yoke that is easy, and a burden that's small.  
So come in and worship and answer the call,  
For we are a part of the family. R*

### **Prayer Seeking reconciliation**

**Creator,**

**We confess that we have squandered your gifts  
And used them as if they had been  
given for us alone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart.**

**We have failed to be an obedient church.**

**We have not lived your love,**

**We have broken your laws,**

**We have rebelled against your radical love,**

**We have not loved our neighbours,**

**And we have not heard the cry of the needy.**

**Forgive us, we pray.**

*(time of silence to offer personal prayers)*

### **Affirmation of Forgiveness**

**Sung Response: MV#97 Listen, God is Calling**

*Listen, God is calling, through the Word inviting,  
offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.*

## Sharing the Story

**Hymn:** VU#701 What Does the Lord Require of You

1. *What does the Lord require of you?  
What does the Lord require of you?*
2. *Justice, kindness,  
walk humbly with your God.*
3. *To seek justice, and love kindness,  
and walk humbly with your God.*

## WE LISTEN

**Scripture:** Judges 4: 1-7  
Matthew 25: 14-30

**Reflection**

**Special Music**

**Dedication of gifts given during this time of COVID-19:**

**Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn:** MV#209 Go, Make a Difference

*Go make a diff 'rence. We can make a diff 'rence.  
Go make a diff 'rence in the world.  
Go make a diff 'rence. We can make a diff 'rence.  
Go make a diff 'rence in the world.*

1. *We are the salt of the earth, called to let the people  
See the love of God for you and me.  
We are the light of the world,  
Not to be hidden but be seen.*
  
2. *We are hands of Christ reaching out to those in need,  
the face of God for all to see.  
We are the spirit of hope;  
We are the voice of peace.*
  
3. *So let your love shine on, let it shine for all to see.  
Go make diff 'rence in the world.  
And the spirit of Christ will be with us as we go.  
Go make a diff 'rence in the world.*

## **Commissioning and Benediction**

### **Postlude**

