

Sunset United Church

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WE GATHER

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Hymn: MV#21 Open Our Hearts

Lighting the Christ Candle

The candle flame reminds us of the fire of the Holy Spirit burning in our midst.



As we gather in its light may we always remember to give thanks for the gifts God has given us.

Call to Worship

When God looks at the world,
What do you think God sees?

Apathy and greed,

Hatred and fear,

War and pain and loss.

Really?

When God looks at this world,
What do you hope God sees?

The caring and sharing,
The working for peace,
The moments where love
Conquers all.

Then, in our lives, in our worship,
In times together,
In times apart,
Let us show God,
The love, the peace, the care
That we wish to be there.

In our worship
And in our lives,
Let us be the new heaven
Let us be the new earth.

Let us be moved by the Spirit,
Children of God,
Disciples of Christ!

Now and always!

Opening Prayer:

Delight in us God.

Be in our joy and our hope and our wonder.

Open our eyes to your presence

In us and with us –

Renewing your Creation.

Make us build on what has been.

Help us to grow,

Through the faith of our ancestors,

Help us to live,

In the love of our children.

Help us to be who you call us to be!

In Christ's name we ask it.

Amen.

Hymn: VU#356 Seek Ye First the Kingdom

Prayer Seeking Reconciliation:

We confess to each other and to You, our Creator,
That we fall short of being what we have been created to be,
what we have committed ourselves to be, disciples of the
kingdom.

Hear us, forgive us,

Renew our resolve to build the kingdom in peace.

We often seek out the easiest paths;
Paths of least involvement in places where we might be
uncomfortable,
Or paths of self-centeredness.

Hear us, forgive us,

**Renew our resolve to build the kingdom
of peace.**

Forgive us for getting so caught up in the world's trappings and
for its false messages of hope
That we lose sight of the hope of the kingdom,
Which brings healing and peace to a world in turmoil.

Hear us, forgive us,

**Renew our resolve to build the kingdom of
Peace**

In this time of worship may we resolve to become more
kingdom minded to be your peacemakers here and now.

Amen.

- *Silent reflection* -

Words of Assurance

Sung Response: MV#97 Listen, God is Calling

Passing the Peace



Anthem: Let Hope Arise

Sharing the Story

Hymn: MV#92 Like a Rock

WE LISTEN

Scripture: Isaiah 65-17-25

Reflection

Hymn: VU#680 Isaiah the Prophet has Written of Old

WE RESPOND

Offering Collection and Dedication

Hymn: MV#191 What Can I Do?

Prayer

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

Hymn: VU#713 I See a New Heaven

Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude