

# **South Regina United Community**

November 19, 2023



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: Welcome! Welcome to a place where gifts are found!

All: The gifts of community. The gifts of welcome. The

gift of God's presence.

One: Welcome to this place where our gifts are treasured!

All: We all come in our diversity to offer ourselves as

disciples, learning, laughing, inviting and

transforming.

One: In this place we celebrate that God's love and grace

are unconditional.

All: And we respond to this gift with our minds, hearts

and souls.

One: Let us pray:

All: You call us God to join in community for while you can be found in all places and all times, in faithful family we see you more clearly in the faces of our siblings. In our worship, inspire us to accept your gifts of presence and inspiration and then offer back to you our hands and feet so we might do your work. We offer our open minds to welcome your wisdom, and we offer our talents to build your church.

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#516 Come, You Thankful People, Come
Come, you thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest home!
All is safely gathered in,
safe before the storms begin;
God, our maker, does provide
for our needs to be supplied:
come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home!

All the world is God's own field,
harvests for God's praise to yield;
wheat and weeds together sown,
here for joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade, and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear:
Harvest-giver, grant that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

For our God, one day, shall come, and shall take this harvest home; from the field shall in that day all offences purge away; giving angels charge at last in the fire the weeds to cast; but the fruitful ears to store in the garner evermore.

Even so, God, quickly come
to your final harvest home!
Gather all your people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin;
there for ever purified,
in your presence to abide:
come, with all your angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest home.

#### **Theme Time**

#### Anthem

Message Matthew 25:14-30

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

Jesus, you have come to the lakeshore
looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones;
you only asked me to follow humbly.

Refrain

O Jesus, with your eyes you have searched me, and while smiling, have spoken my name; now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me; by your side I will seek other seas.

You know so well my possessions; my boat carries no gold and no weapons; - you will find there my nets and labour.

#### Refrain

You need my hands, full of caring through my labours to give others rest, and constant love that keeps on loving.

Refrain

You, who have fished other oceans, ever longed for by souls who are waiting, my loving friend, as thus you call me.

Refrain

Minute for Mission
Sung Response MV#157 I Am a Child of God<sup>2</sup> (v. 1)
I am a child of God, I am a glimpse of God's new creation.
I am a child of God, I am a child of God.

**Prayers for the World** 

Hymn VU#468 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ<sup>3</sup>

Let us talents and tongues employ, reaching out with a shout of joy: bread is broken, the wine is poured, Christ is spoken and seen and heard.

Refrain

Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!
Jesus lives again, earth can breathe again, pass the Word around: loaves abound!

Christ is able to make us one, at the table he sets the tone, teaching people to live to bless, love in word and in deed express.

Refrain

Jesus calls us in, sends us out, bearing fruit in a world of doubt, gives us love to tell, bread to share: God (Immanuel) everywhere!

Refrain

## **Blessing and Sending**



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Children & Youth Minister: Michelle McConkey (she/her)
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