

Sunset United Church

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We recognize that we meet on Treaty 4 Territory, the lands of the Cree, Ojibwa, Saulteaux, Dakota, Nakota, Lakota, and the Metis homeland. May we live with respect on this land and with its peoples.

WE GATHER

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering Hymn: I Rejoiced *

I rejoiced when they said "Let's worship,"

I rejoiced when they said "Let's rise."

I rejoiced when they said "Let's worship."

Worship our God most high!

Lighting the Peace and Christ Candles

Call to Gather**:

The gifts of God

Are for all of creation.

The gifts of God

Are for all of God's people.

The gifts of God
 Are given freely and joyfully.
So we gather
 With thanksgiving
So we gather
 With wonder and hope.
So we gather
 As Christ's people
So we gather
 To worship God.

Opening Prayer:**

God of the small seed,
You have planted in us
A harvest that bursts at our seams.
Our cups are overflowing with
The hope of Christ's call!
 Thank you for the abundance of life
 That you have called into being.
 Thank you for the abundance of life
 That we are able to share.
 Thank you for this community of love
 Made complete by your Love.
 May our time together be a sign and symbol
 Of your never ending love.
 As Jesus' people, we ask it.
 Amen

Hymn: VU#412 This Is the Day ***

Prayer Seeking Reconciliation

Holy One,
Sometimes we lose sight of the abundance
That we have in our lives.
We look past the community,
The comfort,
The fullness of our lives,
And dwell on all that we think is missing.
Help us to remember
Even the simplest things in life
Are sources of gratitude.
Remind us to stop,
To be thankful,
And to find ways of sharing
What we have with others.
Help us to remember
That the gifts in our lives
Need not be things that
We can touch and hold,
But can be intangible moments
And deepening relationships.
When we forget
Forgive us.
We offer this prayer
Along with all the other things,
That weigh on our hearts and minds,
To you..

Silent prayer

Words of Grace

Passing the peace



WE LISTEN

Anthem: Give Me Oil in My Lamp

Sharing the Story

Hymn: Thanks A lot - Raffi ****

Thanks a lot,
thanks for the sun in the sky,
Thanks a lot,
thanks for the clouds so high.

Thanks a lot,
Thanks for whispering wind,
Thanks a lot,
Thank for the birds in the spring.

Thanks a lot,
Thanks for the moon lit night,
Thanks a lot
Thanks for the stars so bright.

Thanks a lot,
Thanks for the wonder in me,
Thanks a lot
Thanks for the way I feel.

Thanks for the animals,
Thanks for the land,
Thanks for the people everywhere.
Thanks a lot.
Thanks for all I've got.
Thanks for all I've got.

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 9:10-15

Reflection

Hymn: MV#154 Deep in Our Hearts <<

WE RESPOND

Offering Dedication

Hymn: VU#581 When We are Living (verse 1) <<<
Prayer

Prayers of the Community & The Lord's Prayer (VU# 959)

Hymn: VU#420 Go to the World V1,3,4 <*<*

Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude



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