# 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

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

Gather in, fellow travelers.

Gather in this sanctuary and bring your prayers,

Your wounded spirits, your questions,

Your hopes and fears.

We wake to a world of beauty and catastrophe,

A world of visions and violence,

Compassion and cowardice. We wake and gather and pray and seek the God Who is always looking for, and loving, us. Amen.

Opening Prayer:
Holy One,
We have been told that you know us –
From before we were born,
Today, tomorrow, forever.
You know us in our difficulties.
You know us in our successes.
And you love us, no matter what,
Thank you.
In our words and in our worship, bless us.
Help us to know, deep within,
That you are with all your creation –
Now and always! Let it be so!
Amen.

Hymn: MV#1 Let Us Build a House

Prayer Seeking Reconciliation:

You have given us a world of beauty

And we have spoilt it.

A world to feed us

And so many go hungry.

A world of riches,

And we are unwilling to share.

A world to care for,

And we think only of ourselves.

Forgive us, Loving One,

Every time your heart is saddened by our selfishness,

Every time we have no thought for others, no cares but ours.

Enable us to see this world as a gift from you that can be shared,

And those who live on it as our neighbours.

We ask this that your creativity and love be seen in the beauty of this world,

And in the way we live our lives.

Amen.

- Silent reflection -

Words of Assurance

Sung Response: MV#97 Listen, God is Calling

Passing the Peace

**Anthem:** Unto the Hills

Sharing the Story

Hymn: MV#127 I Saw the Rich Ones (v. 1&2)

### WE LISTEN

Scripture: Luke 19: 1-10

Reflection

Hymn: VU#567 Will You Come and Follow Me

# 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#600 When I Needed a Neighbour

Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude