

Sunset United Church

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The United Church of Canada*

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Pianists: Shirley Hill and Kevin Petrychyn

Worship Hosts: Richard Toppings, Pat Foley

Janet McMurtry, Vikki May

Reader: Nancy McBean

Coffee: Bob & Olive McLeod

MINISTERS: ALL OF US!

With Michael Webster and Michelle McConkey

We pray that our worship is both 'child & adult friendly'.
As we worship, we give thanks to the Creator for the Earth, and we honour the Saulteaux, the Cree, and other Aboriginal peoples upon whose traditional land, now defined as Treaty 4, we gather.

WE GATHER

Prelude

Gathering Hymn: "Come and Find the Quiet
Centre" VU 374 *

Lighting of the Peace and Christ Candles

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

We remember the stories of our faith.

David and Goliath, the Good Samaritan
and many, many more.

But we are called to live new stories of faith.

Stories of kindness and love,
stories of courage and compassion.

Let us therefore give thanks for what has been.

And let us also be strengthened and encouraged for what will
be.

Prayer of Approach:

As the leaves fall from the trees, may your Spirit fall upon us
in this hour of worship. As the wind blows across the land,
may your Spirit blow through our lives. And as the year
turns, may we be empowered by your Spirit to turn to new
life in Christ. Amen.

Opening Hymn: “For the Beauty of the Earth”

VU 226 (tune: VU 81)**

Prayer for Wholeness (Psalm 51: 10-12):

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right
spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the
joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.
Amen.

Assurance of God’s Blessing

By God’s grace, we are freed from the mistakes
of the past so we may start afresh.

We are grateful for God’s grace and mercy!

Our Sung Response: “Spirit of the Living God”

VU 376, v. 1***

Passing of the Peace of Christ

WE LISTEN

Choir Anthem:

Scripture: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Conversation time

Hymn: “Sing a Happy Hallelujah” VU 224 ****

Scripture: John 7:24

Reflection

WE RESPOND

Hymn: “Pass Me Not” VU 665 *<*

Our Offerings are Received

Doxology: “We Praise You, O God” VU 218, v. 1 *<<*

Prayer of Dedication

As Jesus multiplied the loaves and fishes, may these gifts also be multiplied, so that the touch of Jesus will come to your people in this place and around the world. Amen.

Prayers of the People & The Prayer of Jesus

Hymn: “Deep in Our Hearts” MV 154 >**

Commissioning & Blessing

Sung Response: *Amen!*

Postlude



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