# Sunset United Church

An Affirming Ministry of the United Church of Canada

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September 17, 2017 *Choir Leader:* Nancy Edwards *Pianists:* Shirley Hill and Kevin Petrychyn *Worship Hosts:* Joni Sundeen, Shirley & Maurice Filson *Candle-Lighters:* Lily Sundeen *Reader:* Linda Langenbacher *Coffee:* Gail & Ken Fensom

## 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: "Let Us Build a House" \* MV 1, verses 1-2, 4-5

Lighting of the Peace and Christ Candles

Welcome & Announcements

### Call to Worship

Come in, come in, come in and sit down. We are a part of the family. We are lost, and we are found. And we are a part of the family. So together, let us give thanks to God. Together, we sing and pray and give thanks. For we are a part of the family of God.

Prayer of Approach:

God, you touch our lives with mystery and hope. In this time of worship, open our ears to your Word, our hearts to your Spirit and our hands to each other, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Opening Hymn: "This Is the Day" MV 122 \*\*

Prayer for Wholeness:

God of mercy, when we have paid attention, we have found you in the burst of life and growth that is a Saskatchewan summer. Too easily, though, our attention is drawn away from the things of the Spirit. As we move into early autumn, help us to be the people of faith we are made to be. Amen

Assurance of God's Blessing God is the love that over and around us lies. Thanks be to God for grace freely given.

Our Sung Response: "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" VU 400 \*\*\*

Passing of the Peace of Christ

### WE LISTEN

Conversation time

Choir Anthem: You Are Mine

Scripture: Genesis 22:1-10

Hymn: "Don't Be Afraid" MV 90 \*\*\*\*

Scripture: Genesis 22:11-18

Reflection

### WE RESPOND

Hymn: "I'm Gonna Live So" VU 575 \*<\*

Our Offerings are Received

Doxology: "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" VU 541 \*\*<<

Prayer of Dedication

We bring these gifts to you, O God, with a ready mind, a willing spirit and a joyful heart. Use them, through us, to enhance your new community of justice and shalom. Amen.

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

Hymn: "Oh, a Song Must Rise" MV 142 <>

#### Commissioning & Blessing

### Sung Response: Amen, Amen, Amen!

### Postlude

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