



Sunset United Church

September 18, 2022



*Sunset United, located on Treaty 4 Territory,
is an Affirming community of faith.
All are welcome here.*

Welcome & Announcements

Centering Time

Candle Lighting

Call to Worship and Opening Prayer

One: May the love of God be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Come into worship with praise, the past is over, now is time for God

All: And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

One: It matters not who you have been or what you've done - you are now a child of God,

All: And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

One: As we enter worship we let go of grudges that weigh down our hearts,

All: And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.

One: As we enter worship we are freed to drink in God's grace

All: And we let go of the past, the wrongs we have done and the wrongs of others. Thanks be to God!

One: Let us pray:

All: Holy Spirit, we gather together in this holy place to be refreshed and renewed. There is only this blessed moment, the past is gone, the future does not yet exist, and our gathering in your presence is all that matters. Open our minds to new ways of

thinking. Open our hearts to new ways of experiencing your love. Open our souls to the touch of your grace.
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#409 Morning Has Broken¹

**Morning has broken like the first morning,
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!**

**Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.**

**Ours is the sunlight! Ours is the morning
born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!**

Theme Time

Hymn VU#382 Breathe on Me, Breath of God²

**Breathe on me, breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.**

**Breathe on me, breath of God,
until my heart is pure,**

until my will is one with thine,
to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God:
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity

Scripture I Timothy 2:1-7
 Psalm 113 (sung)

**Praise to the Lord, all of you, God's servants.
Blessed be the name of our God now and
ever.**

**From the rising up of the sun
may the Lord be praised, praise to the name
of the Lord!**

**There is none like our God in the heavens or
on earth,
who lifts the poor from the dust seating them
with the mighty,
who stoops to raise the weak and low:
may the Lord be praised, praise to the name
of the Lord!**

Luke 16:1-13

Anthem

Sermon

Hymn VU#356 Seek Ye First the Kingdom³

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and God's righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Hallelu, hallelujah.**

**Ask and it shall be given unto you;
seek and you shall find;
knock and the door shall be opened unto you.
Hallelu, hallelujah.**

**We do not live by bread alone,
but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of God.
Hallelu, hallelujah.**

Minute for Mission

**Response MV#115 Behold, Behold, I Make All Things New⁴
Behold, behold, I make all things new, beginning with you
and starting from today.
Behold, behold, I make all things new, my promise is true,
for I am Christ the way.**

Pastoral Prayer

**Hymn VU#242 Let All Things Now Living⁵
Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
to God our Creator triumphantly raise;
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
by guiding us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us, pure light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night;
till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
as forward we travel from light into Light.**

**By law God enforces, the stars in their courses
and sun in its orbit obediently shine;
the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
with glad adoration a song let us raise:
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving,
to God in the highest, hosanna and praise.**

Sending



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

Choir Director: Corinne Groff (she/her)

Pianist: Shirley Hill (she/her)



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