



# 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: MV#62 There is Room For All \*\*\*

Lighting the Peace and Christ Candles



Call to Gather

Come to this sacred place to find the Holy  
In reverence and in awe.

**We come ready to be inspired.**

Come to this ordinary place to find God  
In everyday life events.

**We come ready to be surprised.**

Come to this prayer-soaked place  
To find God in each other.

**We come ready to worship**

**Opening Prayer\***

God who walks with us the adventure of community,  
Remind us of your constant presence.

When we are full

Give us the strength to bring light to others.

When we are empty

Comfort and renew us.

When we need challenge

Teach and stretch us.

When we need rest

Provide a stopping place on the way.

And when we worship,

May our voices join as one,

Praying and singing as your people,

Today and always.

Amen.

Hymn: VU#395 Come In, Come In and Sit Down \*\*\*\*

**Prayer seeking Reconciliation\*\***

Holy God,

We are not perfect.

We know we make mistakes,

We hurt ourselves,

And we take ourselves far too seriously.

We wound those we love

and cut out those we do not care to know.

We expect too much of others

And not enough of ourselves.

And yet we dream of a time  
When we will be kind and gentle,  
Wise and considerate,  
Open minded and welcoming.  
Hear our prayers of confession this day,  
Holy Mystery,  
And lead us down a humble path  
That we may be open to You  
And our neighbour in your Spirit.  
*~ time of silent prayer ~*

Words of Grace

Sung Response: MV#95 How Deep the Peace \*\*\*\*\*

Passing the peace



WE LISTEN

Sharing the Story

Hymn: The House of Our God (words on screen) \*+

Scripture: Mark 9: 30-37

Reflection:

Hymn: VU#595 We Are Pilgrims <<\*\*

## WE RESPOND

### Offering Dedication

Hymn: VU#540 Grant Us, God, the Grace\*<<<\*  
Prayer

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

Hymn: VU#606 In Christ There is No East or West <<\*\*\*

### Commissioning and Benediction

### Postlude



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