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# **Sunset United Church**

November 6, 2022



Sunset United, located on Treaty 4 Territory, is an Affirming community of faith.

All are welcome here.

## **Welcome & Announcements**

# **Candle Lighting**

## **Centering Time**

# **Call to Worship and Opening Prayer**

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

All: And also with you.

One: Our God is our refuge and strength,

All: A very present help in times of trouble.

One: Therefore, we have nothing to fear,

All: Even though the earth changes, the oceans rise

and mountains crumble.

One: Come, see, and participate in what God is doing:

All: All wars shall cease, the bow will break and the

spear will shatter

Those filled with greed will come to share,

Those who know violence will know peace!

One: Let us pray:

All: Holy spirit, source of love and wisdom, we enter

into this faith community and time of worship to be nourished. We come from our busy lives, times of confusion, and stresses about the state of our world to find your grace. Be with us as we pray, sing, and reflect on your still speaking voice. Be with us we pray to you who is

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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#577 I've Got Peace like a River

I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in-a my soul.
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in-a my soul.

I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain in-a my soul.
I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain,
I've got joy like a fountain in-a my soul.

I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean in-a my soul.
I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean,
I've got love like an ocean in-a my soul.

### **Theme Time**

#### Anthem

Scripture Reading and Reflection Haggai 2:3-9 Luke 20:27-38

Hymn MV#173 Put Peace into Each Other's Hands<sup>1</sup>
Put peace into each other's hands
and like a treasure hold it,
protect it like a candle flame,
with tenderness enfold it.

Put peace into each other's hands with loving expectation; be gentle in your words and ways, in touch with God's creation.

Put peace into each other's hands like bread we break for sharing; look people warmly in the eye: our live is meant for caring.

Give thanks for strong yet tender hands, held out in trust and blessing. Where words fall short, let hands speak out; the heights of love expressing.

Reach out in friendship, stay with faith in touch with those around you. Put peace into each other's hands; the Peace that sought and found you.

#### Reflection

Hymn VU#684 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace<sup>2</sup>
Make me a channel of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me bring your love;
where there is injury, your healing power,
and where there's doubt, true faith in you:

O Spirit, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace: where there's despair in life, let me bring hope; where there is darkness, only light; and where there's sadness, ever joy.

> O Spirit, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving to all that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

#### Minute for Mission

# Response Hymn

MV#115 Behold, Behold, I Make All Things New<sup>3</sup>

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#563 Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore<sup>4</sup> Jesus, you have come to the lakeshore looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones; you only asked me to follow humbly.

Refrain

O Jesus, with your eyes you have searched me, and while smiling, have spoken my name; now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me; by your side I will seek other seas.

You know so well my possessions; my boat carries no gold and no weapons; - you will find there my nets and labour.

#### Refrain

You need my hands, full of caring through my labours to give others rest, and constant love that keeps on loving.

#### Refrain

You, who have fished other oceans, ever longed for by souls who are waiting, my loving friend, as thus you call me.

Refrain

# **Blessing**

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Minister: Rev. Jim Tenford (he/him)

Children & Youth Minister: Michelle McConkey (she/her)
Choir Director: Corinne Groff (she/her)
Pianist: Shirley Hill (she/her)

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