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GATHERING IN THE SPIRIT

Gathering Song ~ B. Farrell ~
♪ **Spirit of Life, rest on your people.
Waken your song, deep in our hearts.**

Welcome

Territorial Acknowledgement
**We gather on land that sustained bodies, hopes, and
dreams long before the Kosapsum and Songees
encountered others from far away. And so we recommit
to a journey toward reconciliation, one that is not easy.**

Lighting the Christ Candle

Opening Prayer
**Mothering God, One who ushers in new life, you have
called us together to participate with you to spread love,
to nurture, and to protect all your creatures. We gather to
uncover our own wholeness, and to notice how your
healing is already unfolding all around us. We give thanks
for the essence and abundance of life and we offer our
song, our prayer, and our attention to honour your ways.
Amen.**

Mothers Day Poem

Hymn VU 415 God, We Praise You for the Morning

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Passing the Peace of Christ

Story of Faith: Natalia Zhuravlova

Opening to the Word ~ B. Farrell ~
♪ **Alleluia your word oh God is spirit and life.
Alleluia, open our hearts to your word.**

Scripture Reading: Mark 7:31-37; Acts 9:32-35
Read by: Bev Tracey

Reflection

Hymn VU 610 God Remembers Pain

RESPONDING WITH OUR WHOLE HEARTS

Communion

Communion Songs

♪ **Bread for the journey, food for the way.
Cup of God's blessing, tomorrow, today.** ~ MV 202 ~

♪ **Bread of life, feed our souls,
as the presence of the Spirit makes us whole.
Bread of life, fill our hearts
with the grace and mercy you impart.** ~ MV 194 ~

The Prayer of Jesus

Offering

Offertory Response ~ MV 130 ~
♪ **Rise up, rise up, rise up, O my soul.
Rise up and sing this blessing to God's name.
Rise up, rise up, rise up, O my soul.
Rise up and sing this blessing to God's name.**

Announcements: Work of the People

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn MV 153 Body, Mind and Spirit

Commissioning and Blessing

Response:

~ MV 214 ~

♪ **May God's sheltering wings,
Her gathering wings protect you.
May God's nurturing arms,
Her cradling arms sustain you,
And hold you in her love,
And hold you in her love.**

James Bay United Church

*Following in the way of Jesus
on the journey inward
and the journey outward*

May 10, 2026
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Mothers' Day



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