

Presiding: Rev Greg Powell
Music Minister: Jennifer Turner

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## GATHERING IN THE SPIRIT

Gathering Song: ~ MV 62 ~

♪ **There is room for all in the shadow of God's wing;  
There is room for all, sheltered in God's love.  
And I rejoice and sing,**

**"My refuge and my rock, in whom I trust."**

**There is room for all, There is room for all!**

Welcome

Territorial Acknowledgement

**We gather on land that sustained bodies, hopes, and dreams long before the Kosapsum and Songees encountered others from far away. The agreements between settlers and Indigenous folks were likely struck unfairly and set us down a path of injustice. And so we recommit to a journey toward reconciliation, one that is not easy.**

Lighting the Christ Candle

Opening Prayer

**Creating and inviting God, source of love, you draw us together to enliven us, sustain us, and challenge us. You ask of us our most loving selves. Help us to understand how to participate fully in this life, for the sake of all life. Receive today our thanks and praise. Amen**

Hymn MV 159 In Star and Crescent (Tune: Scottish Folk Melody)

## SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Passing the Peace of Christ

Opening to the Word

~ Bernadette Farrell ~

♪ **Alleulia, your word oh God is spirit and life.  
Alleluia, open our hearts to your word!**

Scripture Reading: Genesis 11: 1-9; Acts 2:1-12

Read by: Colleen Nichol

Reflection

Hymn MV 154 Deep in Our Hearts

## RESPONDING WITH OUR WHOLE HEARTS

Communion

Communion Songs

♪ **Bread of life, hope of the world,  
Jesus Christ, our brother:  
feed us now, give us life,  
lead us to one another.**

~ Bernadette Farrell ~

VU 460 All Who Hunger (see Insert)

Offering

Offertory Response

~ VU 701 ~

♪ **What does the Lord require of you? (x2)**

**Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.**

**To seek justice, and love kindness,  
and walk humbly with your God.**

Announcements: Work of the People

## GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn VU 679 Let There Be Light

Commissioning and Blessing

Response:

♪ Walk with me, I will walk with you  
And build the land that God has planned  
Where love shines through.

~ VU 649 refrain ~

## James Bay United Church

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

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