

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

The Kosapsum and Songhees moved, traded, and recognized the sacred on the same land where we now gather, long before Jesus walked the earth. We work and pray for a future that is fairer than the past, which ultimately includes a vision of Indigenous and non-Indigenous dwelling in reconciliation.

Lighting the Christ Candle

Opening Prayer

Holy One, you invite us to set aside our labour, our commerce, and our worry for a time. This is that time. We gather to dwell in your presence, to share the hope of new life, and to recognize the sacred that is all around us. We ask that you bless this gathering; bless this people. Hear our praise in word and song. Amen

Hymn MV 1 Let Us Build a House (Vs. 1, 3 - 5)

## 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: Matthew 18:15-20

Read by: Marg Lunam

Reflection

Hymn MV 154 Deep in Our Hearts

## RESPONDING WITH OUR WHOLE HEARTS

Communion

Communion Songs

~ MV 194 ~

♪ 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.

For Everyone Born

~ Lori True

♪ And God will delight  
when we are creators of justice and joy.

Yes, God will delight  
when we are creators of justice.  
Justice and Joy!

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 MV 169 When Hands Reach Out Beyond Divides

Commissioning and Blessing

Response:

~ VU 649 refrain ~

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

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

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