Presiding: Rev. Greg Powell
Music Minister: Jennifer Turner
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GATHERING IN THE SPIRIT

Gathering Song: *~ TLUS 64 ~*

♫ There's a wild hope in the wind:
Her whisper is heard on the breeze.
The gale is her shout that is calling us out.
There's a wild hope in the wind.

O God in the wind, come gather us in,
Be our courage and promise.
The light can feel dim,
but we want to live into a wild, wild hope.

Welcome

Territorial Acknowledgement
The land that supports James Bay United Church is sacred land. It connects the Kosapsum and Songhees to sacred stories, as it connects all who gather now. May the sacred connections that unfold from this point be fair, respectful, and mutual. May this land bring us together in reconciliation when the time is right.

Lighting the Christ Candle

Opening Prayer
O God, source of all life, source of love, we gather to give thanks and to speak our laments. We ask that you continue providing the sense of connection that united Jesus with you. We ask that you hear our prayers, and that you would align our desires with your will. Bless this gathering, and bless all beings. Amen.

Hymn MV 147 God, Help Us to Treasure

Passing the Peace of Christ

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Opening to the Word *~ M. Haugen ~*

♫ Return to God with all your heart,
The source of grace and mercy.
Come seek the tender faithfulness of love.

Scripture Reading: Matthew 6:25-34
Read by: Marg Lunam

Reflection

Hymn VU 356 Seek Ye First

RESPONDING WITH OUR WHOLE HEARTS

Prayers of the People

Sung Response: *~ Bernadette Farrell ~*

♫ Spirit of Life, rest on your people.
Waken your song, deep in our hearts.

O Birther! Father- Mother of the Cosmos
Focus your light within us – make it useful.
Create your reign of unity now-
through our fiery hearts and willing hands.
Help us love beyond our ideals
and sprout acts of compassion for all creatures.
Animate the earth within us: we then
feel the Wisdom underneath supporting all.
Untangle the knots within so that we can mend our hearts' simple ties to each other.
Don't let surface things delude us,
But free us from what holds us back from our true purpose.
Out of you, the astonishing fire,
Returning light and sound to the cosmos. Amen.
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Offering

Offertory Response ~ *MV 85* ~

Take, O take me as I am;
Summon out what I shall be;
Set your seal upon my heart
and live in me.

Announcements: Work of the People

GOING OUT TO SERVE

Hymn MV 150 Spirit God, Be Our Breath

Commissioning and Blessing

Response: ~ *MV 151* ~

♫ Your will be done, be done on earth (x 2)
Your will be done, be done on earth.
Your will be done on earth.
Your will be done on earth.

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