



Summer Spirit 3

July 16, 2023

Prelude: "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"
arr. David Lasky

Welcome and Announcements

Christ Candle Lighting

Responsive Call to Worship

One: Drawn by God's presence **All: we gather.**
One: Inspired by God's spirit **All: we worship.**
One: Empowered by God's grace **All: we live.**
One: Opened by God's love
All: we share and sacrifice for the sake of others.

Opening Prayer *(together)*

God of Infinite Mystery,
Spark of A-ha and Ahhh and Awe,
Be with us now. Surround us.
Push us forward. Pull us together.
We give thanks this day for the opportunity to be together –
to connect, to learn, to worship, and to lift up a vision of unity.

Spirit of Life and Love, give us the vision to dream beyond
ourselves. Give us the courage and conviction to sacrifice our
egos and attachments so that universal grace may enter in.
Give us the humility to see our shortcomings as a place to
begin and grow. Open us to explore possibilities. Give us the
confidence to ask for what we need and want. Give us
the courage to take risks beyond here and now and us. In Christ's
name, we pray. Amen.

♪ **Hymn:** "Spirit, Open My Heart" MV 79

Learning Together

♪ **Hymn:** "Three Things I Promise" MV 176

Scripture: Psalm 51: 15-17
Micah 6: 6-8
Philippians 2: 1-8

Special Music: "Bunessan" (Morning Has Broken)
Trad. Gaelic melody; Arr. Lani Smith

Sermon: "The Trick to Unity is...
realizing Sacrifice is not a Dirty Word"

Offering Invitation

♪ **Offering Hymn:** "What Can I Do?" MV 191

Dedication of Offering

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer *(together)*

Our Loving God in heaven, Holy is your name.
Your kingdom come, Your 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 yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

♪ **Hymn:** "O God beyond All Praising" VU 256

Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude: "Festive Procession" Paul Bryan

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Land Acknowledgment:

We acknowledge we worship on the unceded territories of the x_wm_əθk_wəy_əm_ (Musqueam), S_kw_x_wú7mesh (Squamish), and Sel'il_witulh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations. We thank them for having cared for this land and look forward to relating with them as covenant people of God as we continue to care for this land together.

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Greeter/Usher: Helen Overgaard, Dave Cass

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“Festive Procession”, Paul Bryan, Stillness and Splendour, Kevin Mayhew, 1994

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Mission: "We exist to love God and love our neighbours" (Matthew 22: 36-40)

Vision: "We aspire to engage our neighbours through the arts, building a community without loneliness

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