

Pre-Service Music:

VU 381 Spirit of Life – Ryon Johnston

VU 820 Make a Joyful Noise – Gary Brandstadt

MV 135 Called by Earth and Sky – Mark Ziegler

GATHERING IN THE SPIRIT

Welcome: D’Arcy McPherson

Gathering Songs:

VU 646 We are Marching – Charlotte Caron

MV 98 Renewing Our Spirits – Gordon Miller

MV 88 Over my Head – D’Arcy McPherson

Territorial Acknowledgement

The land on which we gather has sustained the Lək̓wəjən peoples since time immemorial. This same land now has a title that reads, “James Bay United Church,” which complicates efforts of reconciliation.

We believe God yearns for all to recognize each other as one, as related. May we be so courageous as to take those complicated but necessary steps toward unity and right relationship.

Lighting the Christ Candle: Owen McCooey

VU 341 Fairest Lord Jesus(v. 1, 2, 3) – Heinz Unger

Opening Prayer: Psalm 37, from Psalms for Praying,
by Nan Merrill

VU 694 To Us All, to Every Nation – Bev Tracey

Sharing the Peace of Christ

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Scripture Reading:

Let There be Peace on Earth – Alisha Read

**Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;
let there be peace on earth,
the peace that was meant to be.
With God our creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.**

**Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now.
With every step I take, may this be my solemn vow:
To take each moment and live each moment
in peace eternally.**

VU 368 Holy Spirit Truth Divine (v. 1, 2, 5, 6)
– Diane Monteith

RESPONDING WITH OUR WHOLE HEARTS

Prayers of the People: Cheryl Macpherson

VU 208 Veni Sancte Spiritus – Deborah Davis

Offering Ourselves with our Gifts

MV 171 Christ Has No Body Now But Yours
– James Troutman

Announcements – Work of the People

GOING OUT TO SERVE

VU 706 Give Thanks for Life – Karen Dickey
VU 586 We Shall Go Out with Hope of Resurrection
– Colleen Nichol read by Carol Yanisch

Commissioning and Blessing

MV 209 Go Make a Difference – Sarah Hovey

James Bay United Church

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

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