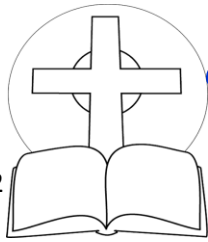


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Mother's Day

(Portions of the service that are in **BOLD** are to be said by all.
All points marked * those who are able are invited to stand.)

Approach

Prelude

Call to Worship

One: Come in and join in worship!

All: We're here to listen and learn, to sing and celebrate.

One: Come in and be inspired and challenged.

All: We're here to praise our God!

* Hymn VU #395 – *“Come In, Come In, and Sit Down”*

Prayer of Approach and Confession

God of families, be among us on this day of crowded pews and good intentions. Mother's Day was founded to honour the sacrifices of women yet it has evolved into an uncontrolled commercial affair. It has become more about expensive gestures than heart-felt love. Remind us again of the power of love in our lives. Give us the courage to declare our love openly and to receive the love of others with grace. Keep us mindful of the gift of family in this world of isolation. Help us to throw off all the false notions of self-sufficiency so that we can immerse ourselves in blessing of belonging to another. Relationships are the foundation of our Christian faith. With humble and thankful hearts we invite Christ's Spirit to bless our lives with mercy and peace.

AMEN

Assurance of Pardon

Joyful Noise – *“For Who You Are”*

Children's Time / The Lord's Prayer

* Hymn VU #402 – *“We Are One”* (vs 1, 2, 4)

The Word

📖 Scripture Readings – John 17: 20-26

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Meditation – *“The precious legacy of faith”*

(a quiet time for your personal reflection and prayer)

Anthem – *“As a Family, We Thank you”*

The Response

Announcements

* Offering / Response (VU #540)

**Grant us, God, the grace of giving,
With a spirit large and free.
That ourselves and all our living
We may offer faithfully.**

* Hymn VU #556 – *“Would You Bless Our Homes and Families”*

* Benediction / Response (VU #965)

**The Lord bless thee, and keep thee;
The Lord make his face shine upon thee,
and be gracious unto thee:
The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee,
and give thee peace. AMEN**

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