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(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: We come to worship the one who creates.
- All: We are here to praise the one who shapes our lives and our world.
- One: Like clay in a potter's hands we are shaped with love to bring beauty and purpose.
- All: We open our hearts and our minds to be shaped and renewed for a life of faithfulness.
- Hymn VU #376 "Spirit of the Living God"

#### Prayer of Approach and Confession

From before we were born, you have known us, God of love and mystery. You know when we try to hide behind our masks of courage and indifference. You see us for who we truly are: people who need to know we are loved and understood no matter what. Sometimes this means we expect you to love and forgive us when we do things that hurt you or hurt others. We think that because you love us we might not have to be accountable for what we say or do. We test your love to the limit because we think we can get away with it. We are so concerned with ourselves that we forget that we have a relationship with you. You are hurt by our unfaithfulness and unkindness. You open your arms to us and we push you away. Forgive us. Mold us into people worthy of your love and committed to the way of Christ. Give us hope, we pray. AMEN

Assurance of Pardon

Children's Time/The Lord's Prayer

Hymn VU #654 – "All My Hope is Firmly Grounded" (tune VU #399)

# The Word

Scripture Readings – Jeremiah 18: 1-11 Psalm 139: 13-18

> Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church. THANKS BE TO GOD!

Meditation – "I am a creature... but not like Yoda" (a quiet time for your personal reflection and prayer)

## 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.

Prayers of the People

- \* Hymn VU #644 "I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry"
- \* Benediction / Response

Send us out in the power of your spirit, Lord, May our lives bring Jesus to the world. May each thought and word bring glory to your name, Send us out in your spirit, Lord, we pray.

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Rev. Dr. Sharon Wilson, Minister Patr Luci Toews, Church Administrator Myrna Hagues, Organist June Kaan, Liturgist

Patrick Woodbeck, Associate Minister Laura Steidl, Music Director Gina Grant, Custodian

Douglas Gauthier and Gloria Waldron, Nursery Care Givers

Greeters: Kent & Gordon Stewart Ushers: Margaret & Craig Gibb