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Baptism

(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

Gathering Song MV #122 – “*This is the Day*” (see insert)

Call to Worship

One: This is a day to worship and celebrate!

All: God has blessed us with many good things!

One: Our church family is growing. We have babies among us.

All: We throw open wide our doors and invite everyone in!

* Hymn MV #145 – “*Draw the Circle Wide*” (see insert)

Prayer of Approach and Confession

You, God of prophets and wise women, apostles and courageous children, call us to live with daring. You pour blessings on us giving us skills and resources to accomplish so much. Our work as servants and stewards of creation allows us to stand up for justice and mercy. When we hesitate or try to play it safe, you gently nudge us towards meaningful work. When we doubt the outcomes you push us to make success a reality. Give us the will to see ourselves with as much potential as you see in us. Forgive our lack of confidence and unleash your Spirit in us. We pray in Christ’s name. AMEN

Assurance of Pardon

* Hymn – “*Lord, We Bring to You Our Children*” (see insert)

Celebration of Baptism (see insert)

Retiring the Lift Fund – Kelsey Shiaro, co-chair of the Lift Committee

Litany

One: We had a vision for a church where all are welcome.

All: Yet before us were stairs and doors that kept people out.

One: We said ‘Welcome’ but only to certain parts of the building.

All: We called everyone part of the church family but they couldn’t join us at the table.

One: With courage and vision we dared to make this a church community accessible to all.

All: We were determined to break down the barriers.

One: Together we have made a place that lives up to our high aspirations.

All: With much help we have made a place that expresses God’s love for all Creation and Creatures.

One: So we built it... and set upon the monumental task of paying for it.

All: With walks and sales, with pledges and gifts we have reached our goal. Hallelujah!

Shredding the Documents

Anthem – “I Will Give Thanks”

The Word

📖 Scripture Readings – Matthew 25: 14-30

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Meditation – “Managing money faithfully”

(a quiet time for your personal reflection and prayer)

The Response

Announcements / Minute Person – Doug Waldron/ Gwen Polak

* Offering / Response (VU #537)

**Your work O God, needs many hands
To help you everywhere,
And some there are who cannot serve
Unless our gifts we share.**

**Because we love you and your work,
Our offering now we make:
Be pleased to use it as your own,
We ask for Jesus’ sake.**

Pastoral Prayer

* Hymn – “*Faithful God, You Have Been Our Guide*” (see insert)

Benediction / Response (VU #958)

**Halle, halle, hallelujah! (x3)
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

Rev. Dr. Sharon Wilson, Minister

Luci Toews, Church Administrator

Myrna Hagues, Organist

Douglas Gauthier & Gloria Waldron, Nursery Care Givers

Karen Viveiros, Liturgist

Patrick Woodbeck, Associate Minister

Laura Steidl, Music Director

Gina Grant, Custodian

Ushers: Val Kuhtey and Bev MacRae

Greeters: Gail Doucette and Mona Gibbons