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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

- * Gathering Hymn MV #39 – *“Mother Earth, Our Mother Birthing”*

Call to Worship

One: We gather thanking God for the gift of worship.

All: By faith in Jesus we have been drawn into this community of love.

One: May the words spoken and sung today inspire us into action.

All: With grace we want to practice our faith!

- * Hymn VU #579 – *“The Church Is Wherever God’s People”*

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Wise One, you are the gentle, sure guide for our lives. You nudge us to live your love in our words but also in our actions. Even if our efforts are not perfect you encourage us to keep practicing. The more we love others in faith, the better we will get. Help us to see our gifts and skills as tools to be used in the world. Bless what we have to offer and make us instruments of your grace. May we be partners in transforming this community and the whole world with love. We pray trusting the Spirit of Christ will fill our souls with every good thing. AMEN

Words of Assurance

Children’s Time / The Lord’s Prayer

- * Hymn VU #603 – *“In Loving Partnership We Come”*

The Word

- 📖 Scripture Reading – 1 John 3: 16-24

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Meditation – “Putting love into action and other simple acts of faith.”

(a quiet time for your personal reflection and prayer)

Anthem – “We are Yours, Lord”

The Response

Announcements

- * Offering / Response

**Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to you;
Use them your holy purpose to fulfill;
Tokens of love and pledges brought anew,
That our whole life is offered to your will.
Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to you.**

Pastoral Prayer

- * Hymn VU #575 – *“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”*

- * Benediction / Response

Amen, Amen, Amen.

Rev. Dr. Sharon Wilson, Minister
Luci Toews, Church Administrator
Myrna Hagues, Organist
Doug Waldron, Liturgist

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

Douglas Gauthier & Gloria Waldron, Nursery Care Givers

Ushers: Bob Harrison and Brian Nazarko
Greeters: Frank Hemming and Dale Napper