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Father'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

- * Gathering Hymn VU #637 – *“Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me”*

Call to Worship

One: Like superheroes, faithful people in every age have been brave and daring.

All: It is our turn to defend the frightened, the poor and the weak.

One: When our lives are filled with obligations and stress and we feel like we have nothing left to give,

All: You, powerful Creator, come through for us. Now we worship you!

- * Opening Hymn VU #529 – *“Great God, We Sing that Mighty Hand”*

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Centre us, O God, to worship you today. Break through the walls we build around ourselves that fail to make us feel truly safe. Instead, allow us to feel the peace of your love washing over us. In this time together may our fears be silenced and our faith strengthened. Teach us your lessons once more: that the weapons of violence and hate are no match for the tools of righteousness; that kindness and compassion are stronger than any force that is set against us. When you call us to greatness forgive us for our protests of weakness. Instead, open us to the power of Christ's Spirit within us to discover calm in the midst of the storms of life and peace at the very centre of our souls. AMEN

Words of Assurance

Children's Time / The Lord's Prayer

- * Hymn VU #660 – *“How Firm a Foundation”*

The Word

- 📖 Scripture Reading – Samuel 17: 32-33, 41-44, 45-49
Mark 4: 35-41

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Meditation – *“Holy superheroes.”*

(a quiet time for your personal reflection and prayer)

Anthem – *“This Little Light of Mine”*

The Response

Announcements

- * Offering / Response (VU #958)

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

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Hallelujah! Hallelujah! (repeat)

Prayers of the People

- * Hymn VU #651 – *“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”*

- * Benediction / Response (VU #424)

May the God of hope go with us every day,

Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.

**May the God of justice speed us on our way,
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.**

Praying, let us work for peace,

Singing, share our joy with all,

Working for a world that's new,

Faithful when we hear Christ's call.

Rev. Dr. Sharon Wilson, Minister

Luci Toews, Church Administrator

Myrna Hagues, Organist

Edna Erickson, Liturgist

Patrick Woodbeck, Associate Minister

Laura Steidl, Music Director

Jessica Steidl, Joyful Noise Director

Gina Grant, Custodian

Douglas Gauthier & Gloria Waldron, Nursery Care Givers