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Season of Creation Begins

(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 VU #395 – *“Come in and Sit Down”* (Part of the Family)

Call to Worship

One: In the rush of the wind, in the laugh of a child, in the beat of our hearts,

**All: Speak to us, God.**

One: In the purr of a kitten, in the lap of the waves, in the warmth of our hands,

**All: Speak to us, Christ.**

One: In the cry of the moment, in the dance of our feet, in the crackle of the flame.

**All: Speak to us, Holy Spirit. We are listening.**

\* Hymn VU #299 – *“Teach Me God to Wonder”*

Prayer of Approach and Confession

**Out of the scramble and busyness, the pains and competing choices of our lives, we come to you now. This place gives us freedom from the many conflicting messages swirling around us to consider the question “What must we do to live as you wish?” Yet, many times your word jars our spirits, O God, like the morning alarm disturbing our sleep. We confess we do not respond eagerly to your call, but rather we smash the snooze button for one more round of worldly pleasure before yielding our lives to your will. We are people who love the shadows that hide our misguided intentions and cover our honest mistakes; we are out of place and out of sorts in your daylight. Lead us, we pray, still blinking and rubbing the sleep from our eyes, to repentance that exposes our secrets to the gracious, merciful, and forgiving light of your Son, and awakens us energized by your Holy Spirit.**

**AMEN**

Words of Assurance

Children’s Time – Blessing of Backpacks, Teachers, and Supplies (see insert)

## The Word

📖 Scripture Readings – Proverbs 22: 1-2, 8-9, 22-23  
James 2: 14-17

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

**THANKS BE TO GOD!**

\* Hymn MV #10 – *“Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom”*

Meditation – *“Where, o where, o where can God be? – looking at wisdom and what does it meant to be wise”*

(a quiet time for your personal reflection and prayer)

## The Response

Announcements

\* Offering / Response (VU #538)  
**For the gift of creation,  
The gift of love,  
And the gift of the Spirit  
By which we live,  
We thank you and give you  
The fruit of our hands.  
May your grace be proclaimed  
By the gifts that we give.**

\* Hymn VU #427 – *“To Show by Touch and Word”*

\* Benediction / Response (VU #575 v. 1)

**I’m gonna live so God can use me  
Anywhere Lord, anytime!  
(Repeat)**

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Luci Toews, Church Administrator	Laura Steidl, Music Director
Myrna Hagues, Organist	Jessica Steidl & Alex Czehryn, Joyful Noise
Sue Turley, Liturgist	Gina Grant, Custodian
Douglas Gauthier & Gloria Waldron, Nursery Care Givers	

Ushers: Kim & Bruce Bateman  
Greeters: Betty Ann Orr and Anne Derksen