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Sharon's Last Service

Communion

(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.)

<u>Approach</u>

* Gathering Hymn VU #647 – "Travel On"

Call to Worship

One: We are a family gathered together by faith that is shared.

All: We come to praise God who knows us completely and blesses us.

One: We share the work of Christ in our world.

All: We are <u>all</u> ministers. We will worship and pray, sing and

serve!

* Hymn VU #639 – "One More Step"

Prayer of Approach

You made each of us, God. You've been there as we have grown. You've seen all our mistakes. You've seen all the good things we have done. You've protected us when we were afraid. You've pushed us to do more than we ever imagined. Your trust and confidence in us seems to be without limit. In you we have discovered how big love can be, and we are humbled. You believe in us and we are here to proclaim, by our presence, that we believe in you. Bless our worship as you continue to bless our lives. We pray in Christ's name. AMEN

The Word

Scripture Reading – Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18
Philemon 1-7

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

* Hymn VU #240 – "Praise My Soul the God of Heaven"

Meditation - "Known and loved."

Family Choir Anthem

The Response

Announcements

* Offering / Response (MV #191)

What can I do? What can I bring? What can I say? What can I sing? I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer. I'll bring my love. I'll do my share.

Celebration of Communion
One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Great Thanksgiving / Fracture / Blessing / Invitation

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Post-Communion Prayer

Wherever we go in life, we take the precious gift of faith with us. Whenever we hunger for meaning, we taste the bread of life assured that Jesus will give us purpose. Whoever we encounter along the way, we see a friend, a fellow believer, and marvel at what the Spirit makes possible. This, wondrous God, is our prayer of thanks today and always. AMEN

* Closing Hymn VU #567 – "Will You Come and Follow Me?"

Presentation

* Benediction / Response – Family Choir Anthem

Rev. Dr. Sharon Wilson, Minister Patrick Woodbeck, Associate Minister Luci Toews, Office Administrator Laura Steidl, Music Director Myrna Hagues, Organist Douglas Gauthier & Gloria Waldron, Nursery Care Sue Turley, Liturgist Gina Grant, Custodian

Ushers: Don & Tanya Montebruno Greeters: Al & Judy Kuffner

Communion Servers: Peter Czehryn, Paulette Cote, Alana Davis, Nancy Sulkers, Gwen Polak, Pat Todd, Laurie Ringaert, and Deanna Kernaghan.