ST. PAUL'S / CENTRAL SAANICH UNITED CHURCH

Worship: Rev. Bob Gilbert
Music Director: Amy Nold
Bulletin Preparation: Tara Houle

Central Saanich United Church
United Church of Canada
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 7, 2022

Scripture Readers: Antony Merry & Bhree Young-Merry
Greeters: Anna and Russ Hudson, Roberta Gault

WE GATHER

Welcome
Celebrations and Announcements
Lighting of the Christ Candle

Hymn: **Come, Touch Our Hearts** **MV 12 (vs.1-4)**

Opening Words

God be with you.
And also with you.
We gather as those Jesus invites to a life of discipleship.
We gather as those equipped by God's grace to love in Christ-like ways.
We gather as those empowered by the Spirit to live faithfully in the world.
Let us worship as followers of Jesus.

We Pray

Most gracious God, we have come to this worship service willing to be formed into your church, so that we can serve you in the world.
Heal our hurts, so that we can be whole as we offer healing to others.
Inspire us to be faithful, so that we do not turn away from the tasks to which you call us.
Strengthen us, so that our weaknesses do not interfere with our mission.
Give us hope, so that we know the outcome is in your hands.
In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

(adapted from a resource in Word & Witness, Vol. 07:5, Aug. 19, 2007, p.12)

Ringing the Tone Bell (invitation to a moment of quiet)

WE LISTEN TO THE WORD

From our Scriptures: Luke 12: 49-56

From the World Around Us: "Equality Poem" by Maya Angelou

Sermon: "Unsettling Presence"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

Hymn: **God, Make Us Servants of Your Peace** **VU 676 (vs. 1-4)**
Offering
Invitation
What Can I Do? **MV 191**
Dedication of the Gifts

We pray…

Hymn: **Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying** **VU 400**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: **God of Grace and God of Glory** **VU 686**

Commissioning and Benediction:

Go forth from this place singing a song of peace,
knowing that God is our comfort and protection.
Go forth singing a song of joy,
knowing that God is our hope and our salvation.
Go forth singing a song of love,
knowing that in God we are never forsaken.

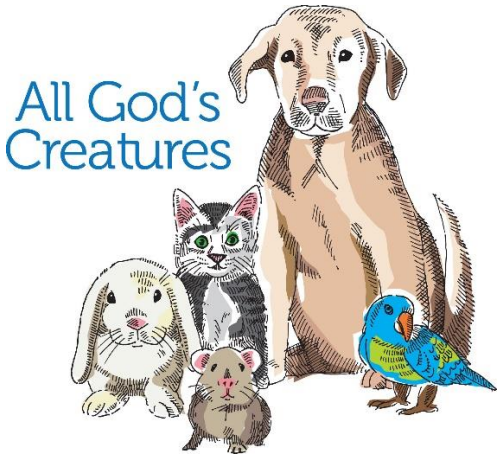
And the grace of Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us now and always.
Amen.

Going Forth: **Dance with the Spirit (2X)** **MV 156**

Postlude

Please note that we will be having The Blessing of Animals at the August 21 service at St. Paul's United Church Hall.

We look forward to blessing your pet during this service.



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