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**Central Saanich United Church**  
***United Church of Canada***  
**World Communion Sunday**  
October 2, 2022

**Scripture Reader:** Bhree Young & Tony Merry

**Greeters:** Bhree Young & Tony Merry

**WE GATHER**

Prelude

Welcome, Celebrations, Announcements

Lighting the Christ Candle

Hymn:       **Each Blade of Grass**

**MV 37**

Opening words....

We come as guests invited to a table;

**We come to celebrate with friends and neighbours.**

Jesus Christ, our Friend and Saviour, invites us to gather:

**We gather with his friends around the world.**

Come and worship with hearts full of God's praise and promise.

**We worship God in gladness, for God's faithfulness endures forever.**

*(from the Presbyterian Church in Canada Worship Planner, October 2, 2022)*

We pray....

God of brilliant sunsets and shining rainbows,

**God of golden daffodils and glowing autumn leaves,**

God of all the blues of sunlit seas,

**God of all the shades of green in bush and field,**

**in rivers and oceans and lakes,**

in rough stones on a beach and polished jewels in a showcase,

**God of people, brown and amber, pink and ebony,**

**artistic and athletic, practical and visionary,**

**compassionate and laughter-bringing,**

God who colours us a world of variety,

we thank you that you have made each of us unique,  
**that you call us to contribute our special colours to the life around us.**  
**We come to you in thanksgiving and worship. Amen.**

*(from "Gifts in Open Hands" October 4, 2020)*

Children's Time

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

## WE LISTEN TO THE WORD

Special Music

Scripture: Lamentations 3:19-26  
Luke 17:5-10

From the World Around Us: "Mystery" by Gordon B McKeeman

Sermon: "A Faith To Be '*Mustard*' Up"

## WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

Hymn: **Small Things Count** VU 361

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 (sung) VU 959

## WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION

Hymn: **Long Ago and Far Away**

**MV 195**

Invitation

The Great Thanksgiving

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Prayer After Communion

Hymn: **Be Thou My Vision**

**VU 642 (vs.1,2,4,5)**

Commissioning and Benediction:

A simple taste of bread and wine has transformed us.

**A short hour of worship has enlivened us.**

**And so, we go into the world equipped to live the Good News.**

May the incredible love of God grant you joy,  
the tender wonder of Jesus Christ fill you with peace,  
and the beautiful mirth of the Holy Spirit surround you  
with delight,

**today and everyday. Amen.**

*(by Laura Turnbull in Gathering, Pentecost 2 2022, p. 43.)*

Going Forth: **Go to the World**

**VU 420 (vs.2,3)**

Postlude



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*\*All meetings will be held in the Sanctuary unless noted otherwise\**

**Pastoral Meeting**, Thursday, October 13, 1:30 p.m.

**Executive Meeting**, Wed., October 19, 7 p.m.

**Trustee Meeting**, Sun., October 23 after Worship

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