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WE GATHER

Prelude
Welcome, Celebrations, Announcements
Acknowledgement of the Land
Lighting of the Christ Candle

Hymn: **Many and Great, O God, Are Your Works** **VU 308**

Call to Worship:
Holy and generous is God, the Creator of all things.
Loving and gracious is Christ, the Bearer of healing and hope.
Gentle and wise is the Holy Spirit, the Breath of new life.
Trinity of grace, we call on you today.
Come and worship the God who made us and loves us all!
We come with joyful praise and hopeful hearts!
(from "The Presbyterian Church in Canada – Worship Planner – June 18, 2023)

We pray….
Creator God, you have made a world of such amazing diversity –
with unique living things we cannot number!
We praise you for such wonder.
You have created such amazing diversity in humankind –
through culture and language, custom and community,
expressed in so much creativity and compassion.
We praise you for such wonder.
In Jesus Christ, you show us how much you love your creation
and how we can live by your love.
We praise you for such wonder.
By the power of your Spirit,
give us new eyes to behold the wonders you have made
and teach us how to love your creation with humble, grateful hearts.

Amen.
(from "The Presbyterian Church in Canada – Worship Planner – June 18, 2023, adapted)

Children's Time: Video: "When We Were Alone"

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

WE LISTEN TO THE WORD

Special Music: Video: Our World (We Are One)
(by IlluminiNative & Mag 7)
From our Scriptures: Philippians 3:20-21
John 14:23-26
From the World Around Us: "The Seven Grandfather Teachings"

Reflection: "Canada's Indigenous Legacy"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

Hymn: **Sweetgrass & Candle**

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: **Live into Hope** **VU 699**

Commissioning & Benediction:
As God's united yet diverse peoples,
we go to become neighbours to each other and to the earth,
for in Christ we are all kin.
We are called to be neighbours, to share generously with each other.
As we learn more, respect more, love more, we all can gain, not lose!
God as Creator will be our rock. Christ and Spirit be our guides.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Amen.

Going Forth: **Spirit of Life** **VU 381**
Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Centering Prayer** Friday, June 23, 11 a.m.

The Peninsula Food Bank is meeting increasing need and decreasing general donations. Anything donated for them here will be delivered: food, pet food, bathroom supplies, etc. Cash/cheque is often best as they can purchase what is needed. Thank you.

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